

# VISION 2050



The Puget Sound Regional Council is extending the region's long-term plan to 2050. As the region prepares to add 1.8 million more people and 1.2 million more jobs in the coming decades, VISION 2050 will provide a guide for sustaining a healthy environment, thriving communities, and a strong economy.

## **The region's vision for 2050.**

The regional strategy helps preserve rural areas while encouraging growth of vibrant cities and neighborhoods. In a recent survey, 67% of residents said that it is important for governments to work together on a regional growth strategy. PSRC is working with its members, stakeholders, and other interested parties to develop a draft plan for review in 2019.

The region is humming with activity as population has surged to 4.1 million in the last decade. More growth is coming. New forecasts show the region needs to plan for 1.8 million additional people and 1.2 million new jobs by 2050. 



## **Continue to learn and adapt to a changing region.**

Early scoping points to key challenges that the region needs to address. Affordability and housing are a new focus of VISION 2050. Other topics include land use patterns, transportation and congestion, and environmental issues, such




## What are major priority areas?

VISION 2050 will address several priority policy topics based on feedback during scoping:

Focus on  **social equity** and access to opportunity in all aspects of the plan.

Plan for how and where  **regional growth** should occur.

Address  **housing** choice and affordability.

Protect and restore the natural  **environment**.

Promote  **thriving communities** and shared prosperity across the region.

## Will PSRC study environmental impacts?

PSRC is preparing a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to assess environmental impacts of the updated regional plan. This includes a Draft SEIS released on February 28, 2019:

<https://www.psrc.org/sites/default/files/v2050-draft-seis.pdf>.

## Where are we in the process?



## Ways to get involved:

- Send us an email with questions or comments to [vision2050@psrc.org](mailto:vision2050@psrc.org)
- Visit the VISION 2050 website at <https://www.psrc.org/vision>
- Sign up for updates from PSRC at <https://www.psrc.org>
- Read about what's happening on the PSRC Blog at <https://www.psrc.org/whats-happening>

PSRC encourages early and continuous involvement in the plan update. There will be many opportunities to provide input throughout the planning process, including PSRC meetings, workshops, surveys, open houses, and opportunities to comment on the draft plan and environmental review document.



**What is PSRC?** PSRC is the regional transportation, economic development, and growth planning agency for King, Pierce, Snohomish and Kitsap counties. It serves as a forum for cities, counties, ports, transit agencies, tribes, and the state to work together on important regional issues. PSRC is charged with maintaining the regional growth, economic, and transportation strategy.