

Getting Through the Periodic Update: Recent Changes to Growth Management Act (GMA)

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Today's Topics:

- Periodic Update Overview
- Periodic Update Resources
- New legislation overview
- Climate Element and HB 1181
- Updated Housing requirements
- Q & A

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Periodic Update Overview



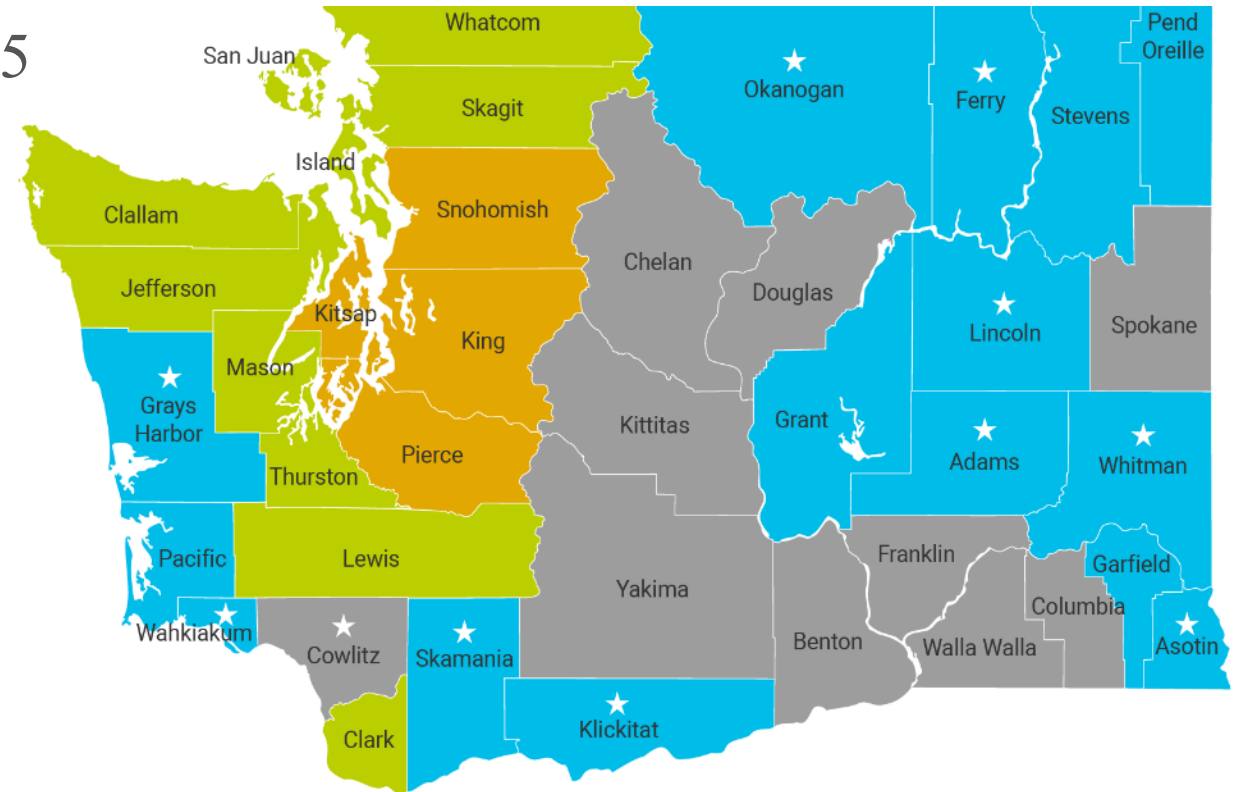
Periodic Update Basics

The update is due June 30th of 2025

Counties and Cities must review:

- Amendments to the GMA
- Comprehensive plan
- Development regulations
- Urban growth areas
- Population projections
- Critical areas ordinance*
- Resource lands*

* Partially-planning jurisdictions are only required to review these.



2024 Due December 31st **2025** Due June 30th **2026** Due June 30th **2027** Due June 30th

*Starred counties are partially planning

Implementation progress reports

- Requirement created by HB 1241 in 2022
- Requires larger counties and cities with population over 6,000 to submit an implementation progress report on key outcomes five years after the review and revision of their comprehensive plan.
- For 2025 jurisdictions, implementation progress reports will be due in 2030
- Commerce to develop guidelines for indicators, measures, milestones, and criteria for implementation progress report

Periodic update process overview



Periodic Update Resources



Commerce Role in Local Planning

- Primary state agency contact for GMA-related issues
- Provide technical assistance
- Administer Grants
- Help ensure plans, policies and regulations are GMA compliant
- Write comment letters
- Not a regulatory agency



Plan Review & Direct Assistance



Review of:

- Comprehensive Plan Amendments
- Development Regulations
- Critical Areas Ordinances
- Shoreline Master Plans

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Direct assistance

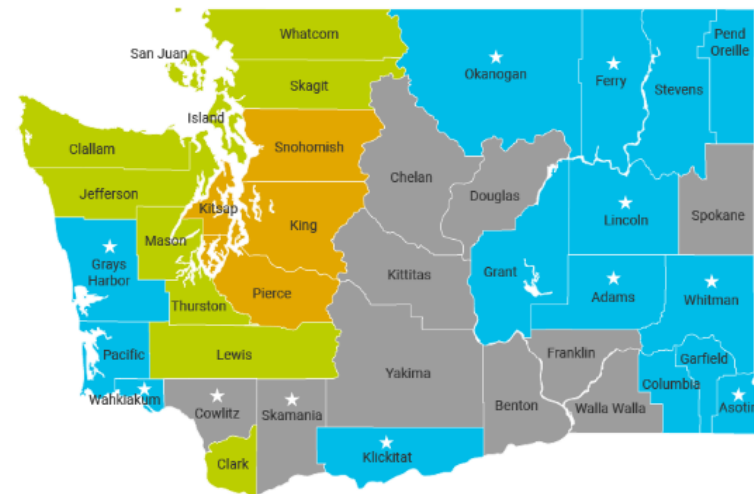
- “on call” for local planning staff
- comment letters
- testifying at planning commission and council meetings
- webinars for technical topics
- presentations at workshops
- regional planners’ forums
- managing grants & provisos
- periodic update assistance

Periodic Update Resources

- WAC – Chapter 365-185
- Year-by-year list of GMA Amendments – 1995-2023
- Update checklists
- Update guidebooks
- Resource list with contact information
- Good examples

Growth Management Act Periodic Update

This page is dedicated to the Growth Management Act Periodic Update. We post checklists, guidance documents and other GMA related support materials here on a regular basis to help local governments with their reviews.



★ Starred counties are partially planning under the Growth Management Act

Key Sections

- Growth Management
- Governor's Smart Communities Awards Program
- GMA Laws and Rules
- GMA Periodic Update
- Growth Management Grants
- Growth Management Topics
- Guidebooks and Resources
- Civilian-Military Compatibility
- Defense Community Compatibility
- Regional Planners' Forums
- Short Course on Local Planning
- Submitting Materials to the State for Review

Need help?

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Feedback?

Periodic Update Resources Feedback Form

Periodic Update Workshop Schedule

In support of the upcoming periodic update cycle and in partnership with Puget Sound Regional Council and Municipal

Guidebooks



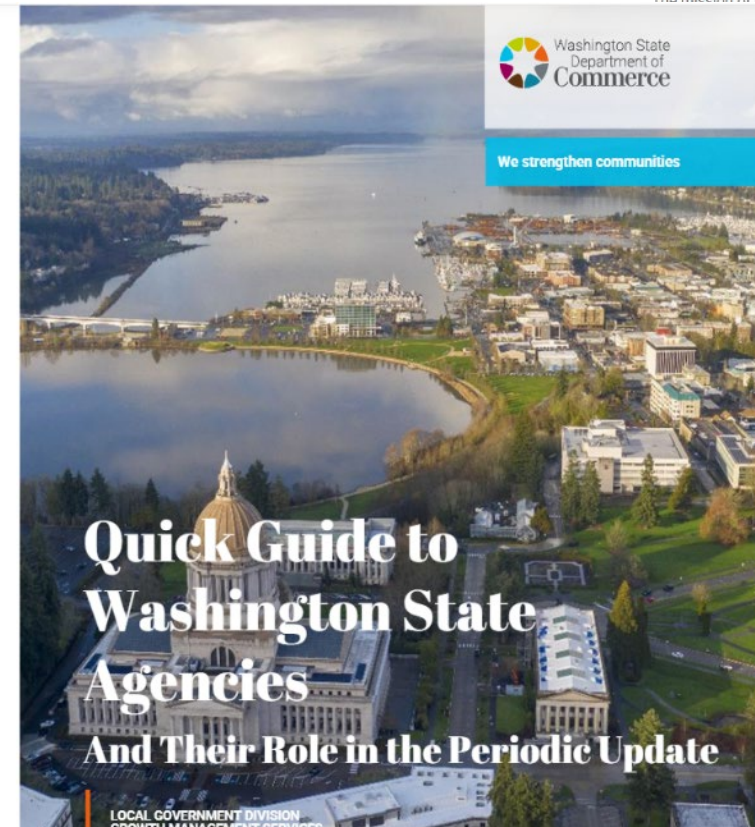
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Frequently Asked Questions

How does Commerce help local governments with their periodic update?

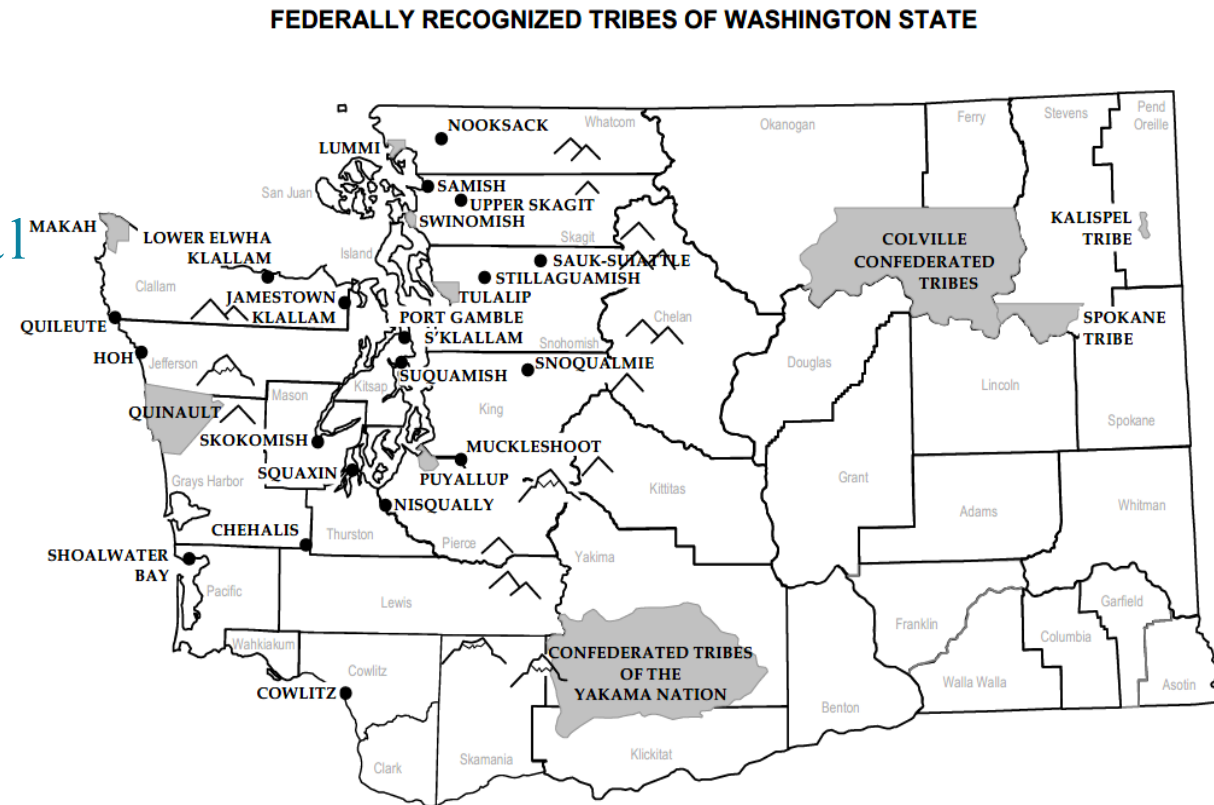
The mission of Commerce's Growth Management Services (GMS) is to assist and guide local governments, others to manage growth and development, consistent with the Growth Management Act. Specific information to the periodic update can be found on the [Periodic Update webpage](#) and the [Growth Management webpage](#).

Commerce is a regulatory agency. We review your comprehensive plans and development regulations for consistency with state statutes and provide technical assistance through our [regional assistance team](#). One of the requirements of the periodic update is to allow Commerce and other state agencies the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed update during the public review process, and may provide comments on the proposed update. Checklists are available on the periodic update webpage for counties and cities to



Tribal participation in planning

- Sovereign nations
- [HB 1717 \(2022\)](#)
- A federally recognized Indian tribe may voluntarily choose to participate in the local and regional planning processes.
- Local governments must provide opportunity for tribes to participate
- Mediation for agreement disputes offered through Commerce GMS
- Limitations after 60-day period
- New GMS Tribal Planning contact: Bridget Ray: bridget.ray@commerce.wa.gov



Checklists



[Get your checklist here.](#)



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Critical Areas Checklist

A Technical Assistance Tool from Growth Management Services – updated November 2022

Name of city or county:	
Staff contact, phone, and e-mail address:	
<p>INSTRUCTIONS</p> <p>This checklist is intended to help local governments update their development regulations, pursuant to the schedule in RCW 36.70A.130(5) (updated in 2022). We strongly encourage but do not require jurisdictions to complete the checklist and return it to Growth Management Services (GMS), along with their updates. This checklist may be used by all jurisdictions, including those local governments planning for resource lands and critical areas only. For general information on update requirements, refer to A Guide to the Periodic Update Process Under the Growth Management Act – Fully Planning Counties & Cities, 2022 and Keeping your Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Current: A Guide to the Periodic Update Process under the Growth Management Act, August, 2016 and WAC 365-196-610 (updated in 2015).</p> <p>Bold items are a GMA requirement or may be related requirements of other state or federal laws. Underlined items are links to Internet sites and may include best practices or other ideas to consider.</p> <p>Commerce WAC provisions are advisory under Commerce’s statutory mandate to provide technical assistance, RCW 43.330.120 which states that the Department of Commerce “...shall help local officials interpret and implement the different requirements of the act through workshops, model ordinances, and information materials.” If you have questions, call GMS at (360) 725-3066.</p>	<p>Contents</p> <p>Instructions.....1</p> <p>Overall Requirements.....2</p> <p>Wetlands.....3</p> <p>Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas.....4</p> <p>Frequently Flooded Areas.....5</p> <p>Geologically Hazardous Areas.....6</p> <p>Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas.....7</p> <p>Designating and Protecting Waters of the State.....8</p> <p>Anadromous Fisheries.....8</p>

Section I: Comprehensive Plan Elements

Land Use Element

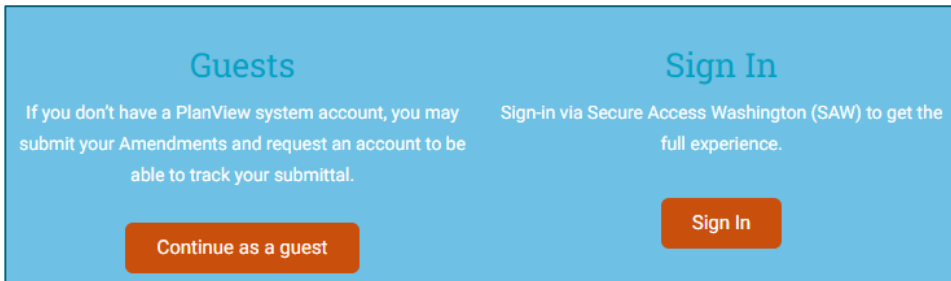
Consistent with countywide planning policies (CWPPs) and RCW 36.70A.070(1)

	In Current Plan? Yes/No If yes, cite section	Changes needed to meet current statute? Yes/No	Notes
New 2021-2022 legislation ESSB 5593 : changes to RCW 36.70A.130 regarding UGA size, patterns of development, suitability and infrastructure. Coordinate these efforts with your county			
a. The element integrates relevant county-wide planning policies into the local planning process, and ensures local goals and policies are consistent. For jurisdictions in the central Puget Sound region, the plan is consistent with applicable multicounty planning policies. RCW 36.70A.210 WAC 365-196-305 Coordinate these efforts with your county			
b. A future land use map showing city limits and UGA boundaries. RCW 36.70A.070(1) and RCW 36.70A.110(6) WAC 365-196-400(2)(d) , WAC 365-196-405(2)(i)(ii)			
c. Consideration of urban planning approaches that increase physical activity. RCW 36.70A.070(1) and WAC 365-196-405(2)(j) . Additional resources: Transportation Efficient Communities , The Washington State Plan for Healthy Communities , Active Community Environment Toolkit			
d. A consistent population projection throughout the plan which should be consistent with the county's sub-county allocation of that forecast and housing			

Submittals

Commerce's PlanView system:

Go to: [“Requirements and procedures for providing notice to the state”](#)



You can also submit via email. Fill out the [cover sheet](#) and attach it along with a copy of your submittal to: reviewteam@commerce.wa.gov

Types of notices that may be submitted through PlanView:

- 60-day notice of intent to adopt amendments
- Requests for Expedited Review/Notice of intent to Adopt Amendments (Only Available for Development Regulations)
- Supplemental Submittal for Existing Notice of Intent to Adopt Amendments
- Notice of Final Adoption

Periodic Update Grants

The Governor and the Legislature made a historic investment in Growth Management Act planning during the 2022 Legislative Session. As a result, Commerce will provide grant funding to all counties, and cities within those counties.

- Your checklist is the first deliverable
- Funding is available July 1st
- See [Commerce's Growth Management Grants webpage](#)

Funding is Available Under the Following Formula:

Fully Planning

• Counties with 100,000 population and over:	\$700,000
• Counties under 100,000 population:	\$350,000
• Cities with 100,000 population and over:	\$325,000
• Cities with 50,000 to 99,999 population:	\$175,000
• Cities with 3,000 to 49,999 population:	\$125,000
• Cities under 3,000 population:	\$100,000

Partially Planning

• Counties with 10,000 population and over:	\$150,000
• Counties under 10,000 population:	\$100,000
• Cities (No population limits):	\$20,000

Periodic Update Grant FAQs

- This grant can be used to cover most activities related to the review and update of the comprehensive plan and development regulations.
- Award letters detailing funding amounts and application sent this week.
- Funding is non-competitive – all jurisdictions are eligible for funding.
- As soon as we receive a completed application we will begin to immediately prepare and finalize your grant agreement.
- Grantees will be reimbursed based on performance under the grant contract and completion of the actions and deliverables outlined in the scope of work.
- Grant funding will reimburse any project work and costs incurred as of July 1, 2023.

Periodic Update Grant and Application

Scope of Work

- Tasks, Actions, Deliverables
- Description
- End Date

Attachment A: Scope of Work

Tasks / Actions / Deliverables	Description	End Date
Task 1	Choose a multi-dispensary consultant or team of consultants to assist with Comprehensive Plan update process	
Action 1.1	Prepare a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the update of the City's Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations	October 18, 2022
Action 1.2	Post RFP	November 18, 2022
Action 1.3	Review submitted proposals and choose a consultant/consultant team to perform that work.	December 3, 2022
<i>Deliverable 1</i>	<i>Signed contract with a consultant/consultant team with an agreed upon budget.</i>	January 3, 2023
Task 2	Review the 2015 Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations to determine what needs to be updated.	
Action 2.1	Review the 2015 Comprehensive Plan using the Commerce periodic update checklist.	November 2, 2022
Action 2.2	Review EMC Titles 15, 16, 17, 18, & 19 with Commerce periodic update checklist	December 24, 2022

Periodic Update Grant and Application

Budget

- Funding and/or Expenses
- Deliverables
- State Fiscal Year – July 1 to June 30
- Grant funds will be split 50-50 in Year 1 and Year 2 (State Fiscal Year 2024 and SFY 2025).

5.2 Proposed SFY 2023 Budget template

Please list the Deliverables that correspond to the proposed Scope of Work and propose your cost per Deliverable.

Reminder: This should only include 50% of your total grant award, for this fiscal year. You may expand this table as needed to add more Deliverables.

SFY 2023 Task/Deliverable	SFY 2023 Amount
Deliverable 1	\$
Deliverable 2	\$
...	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
Total Grant (SFY 2023 only)	\$

New Legislation Overview



2021-2022 GMA Legislation

[HB 1220](#): Emergency and affordable housing

[HB 1241](#): Changes the Periodic update and SMP cycles from 8 to 10 years. Requires a 5-year implementation progress report and an annual work program for select jurisdictions

[HB 1717](#): Tribal participation in planning

[HB 2001](#): Expands the ability to build tiny houses

[SB 5042](#): Changes the initial effective date of certain actions under the GMA and addresses premature vesting

[SB 5118](#): Supports successful reentry for juveniles, amending the definition of “essential public facilities”

[SB 5235](#): Increasing housing unit inventory by removing arbitrary limits on housing

[SB 5275](#): Enhances opportunity in LAMIRDs

[SB 5368](#): Encourages rural economic development

[SB 5593](#): Allows a county to make revisions to a UGA boundary to accommodate patterns of development

[SB 5818](#): Promotes housing construction in cities through amendments to and limiting appeals under SEPA and GMA

New 2023 Legislation

[HB 1110](#): Middle housing

[HB 1337](#): ADUs

[HB 1293](#): Project and design review standards

[HB 1042](#): Building conversion and density

[HB 1181](#): Climate change and environmental justice

[HB 1170](#): Ecology's climate resilience strategy

[SB 5412](#): SEPA categorical exemptions for housing

[SB 1758](#): SMA fish hatchery permitting

[SB 5104](#): Baseline survey of Puget Sound shorelines

[HB 1216](#): Clean energy project siting

[SB 5457](#): Adopting CAOs by reference

<https://app.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/>



Bill Information

Search by Bill Number

Bill number

Bill Initiative 2023-24

- [Growth Management Act Amendments 1995-2023](#)
- [Planners' Newsletter on legislative changes in 2023](#)
- [Passport to 2044 Legislative Wrap-Up webinar](#)

Climate Element – HB 1181



Climate Element

Climate planning is a new goal of the Growth Management Act

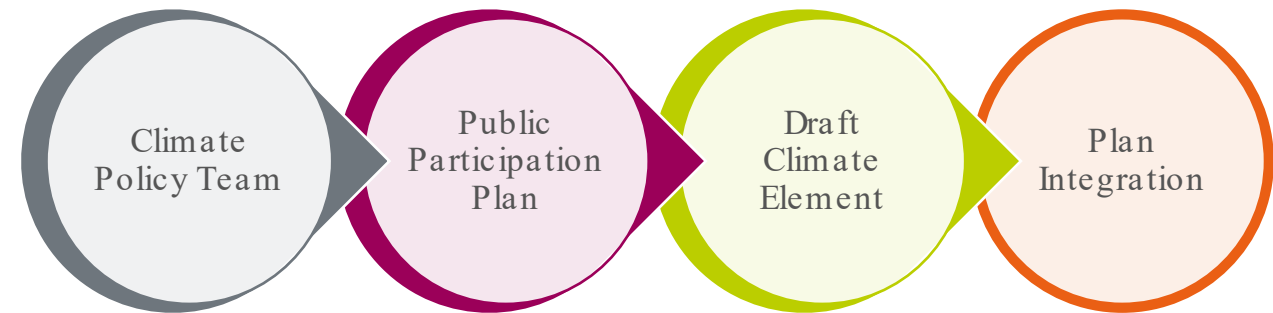
Adds two sub-elements:

- Mitigation mandatory for 11 counties and their cities over 6,000 pop.
- Resilience mandatory for all fully planning jurisdictions.

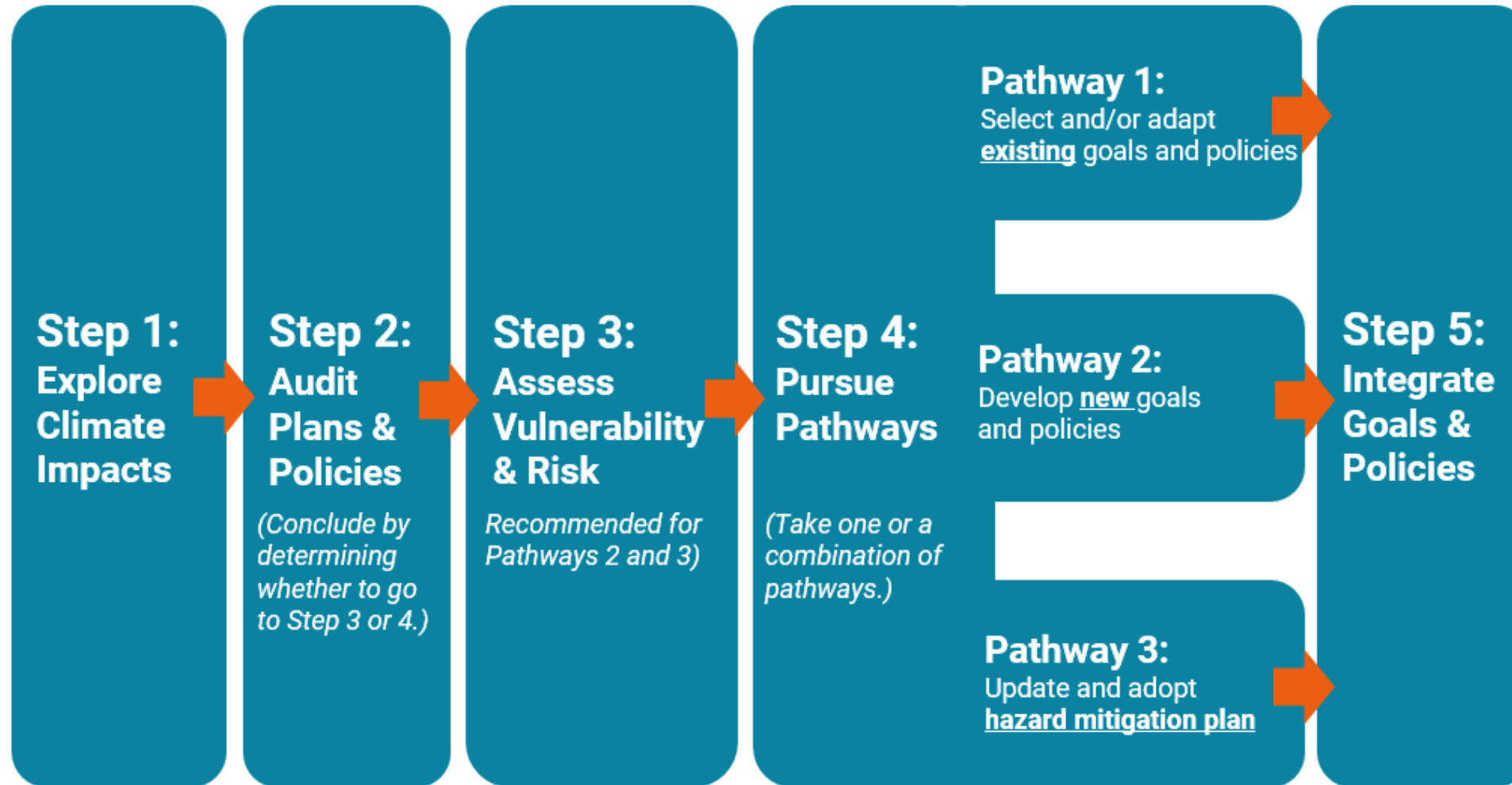
Applicable counties	2025
○ Clark	X
○ Skagit	X
○ Thurston	X
○ Whatcom	X

Climate Planning Guidance

- Climate Element Planning Guidance available [online](#) 6/30
 - Translated into eight languages
- **12/31**: Intermediate guidance based on HB 1181

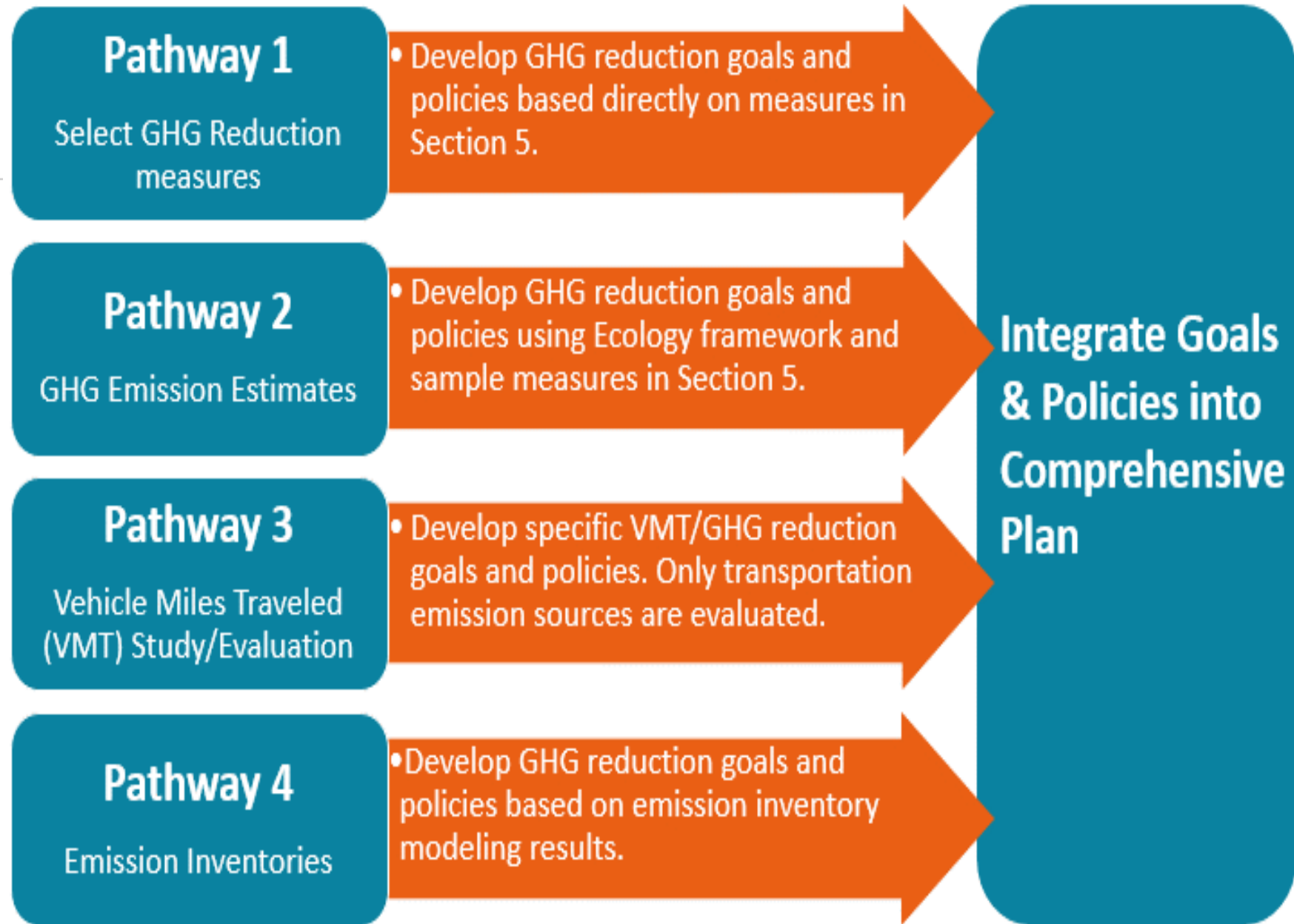


Resilience Sub-element



Mitigation Sub-element

How to achieve GHG emission reductions?



Environmental Justice

- Climate Element must:
 - Prioritize GHG reductions in overburdened communities
 - Prioritize climate resilience in communities that will disproportionately suffer from compounding environmental impacts
- Land Use Element will avoid worsening environmental health disparities.
- Transportation Element will ensure multimodal levels achieve EJ goals
- Funding for periodic update must be weighted based on the “presence of overburdened communities”
- Develop **grants** for community-based organizations (CBOs) to advance participation of overburdened communities in planning process

Transportation – Land Use Changes

- Requires WSDOT to maintain a summary of the per capita vehicle miles traveled (VMT) for cities and unincorporated portions of counties
- Adds multimodal concurrency
- Must accommodate all users “safely, reliably and efficiently”
- Cities/counties with **2025 periodic update** must first implement these changes.

New Roles for Commerce

City/ County **may submit** Climate Mitigation sub-element **for approval**

- Applicable to cities/counties required to include sub-element
- Effective date would be **when approved** by Commerce
- Appeals to the Growth Management Hearings Board would be limited to non-compliance with guidance.
- GHG reduction element not subject to administrative or judicial appeal



Climate grant funding – more information will be coming soon

Housing Element and new housing requirements



HB 1220 requirements review



New Housing Element Requirements (HB 1220)

New GMA housing goal:

- “Plan for and accommodate ~~encourage the availability of affordable housing~~ affordable to all economic segments.”

Local housing element to:

- 1) Conduct an inventory and analysis of all housing needs
 - by income, PSH and emergency housing (#s from Commerce)
- 2) Identify sufficient capacity of land for identified housing needs
- 3) Include policies to support middle housing and other laws
- 4) Make adequate provisions for all housing needs, including “document barriers to housing availability such as gaps in local funding, development regulations, etc.”
- 5) Address racially disparate impacts, displacement, exclusion and displacement risk in housing through policies and regulations

HB 1220: Disparate impacts, displacement and exclusion

Housing element to:

- Identify local policies and regulations that result in racially disparate impacts, displacement, and exclusion in housing:
 - Zoning that may have a discriminatory effect
 - Areas of disinvestment and infrastructure availability
- Begin to undo racially disparate impacts, displacement, and exclusion in housing
- Identify areas at higher risk of displacement and establish anti-displacement policies including:
 - Preservation of historic and cultural communities
 - Investments in housing for lower income segments
 - Equitable development initiatives & land disposition policies
 - Inclusionary zoning and tenant protections

Housing Needs Projections

- Developed at a countywide level
- Projecting housing needs by income bracket
 - Uses future household sizes to have enough housing units for the future
 - Assumes 6% vacancy rate
 - Removes second homes
- Projecting housing needs for emergency housing (EH) and permanent supportive housing (PSH)
 - Uses baseline homelessness from best available homeless data, accounting for undercounts
 - Predicts future need for EH & PSH based on additional people likely to become homeless or need PSH

Housing Units by Income Band	Area Median Income (AMI)
Emergency housing/shelters	NA
Extremely low:	0-30% AMI, including some PSH*
Very low	31-50%
Low	51-80%
Moderate	81-120%
Other	Above 120%

*PSH = permanent supportive housing

Housing For All

Tool for projected housing needs

Housing Needs Projections for Selected County, Projection Year, and Population Target

Complete Steps 1, 2, and 3 to access countywide projections

Step 1

Select a County

Thurston

✓

Step 2

Select a Projection Year

2045

✓

Step 3

Enter Population Target in Range

389,659

✓

Table 1: OFM GMA Population Projections, 2045

Thurston County Projected Population, 2045

	Low	Medium	High
Projected Population (2045)	345,246	389,659	431,732

Emergency
Housing/Shelter
Beds

1,562
626
936

Table 2: Projected Countywide Housing Needs Based on User Inputs

Thurston County

Population Target = 389,659

	Total	Affordability Level (% of Area Median Income)						
		0-30%						
		Non-PSH	PSH	30-50%	50-80%	80-100%	100-120%	120%+
Total Future Housing Needed (2045)	174,682	11,636	3,774	20,858	46,625	30,824	19,898	41,067
Estimated Housing Supply (2020)*	120,334	2,879	180	12,428	38,356	26,452	15,518	24,522
Net New Housing Needed (2020-2045)	54,347	8,757	3,594	8,430	8,269	4,372	4,380	16,545

* Note: Supply of PSH in 2020 is beds. However, projections of Net New Housing Needed (2020-2045) are in housing units. See Overview tab for details.

Allocation Process

- Three steps in housing need & allocation process
 - Choose population projection → You have flexibility within OFM range
 - Translate population to housing targets → Must use HAPT tool
 - Choose where total housing needs go in the county → You decide where overall housing goes and where the different income needs go.
- Then, you decide how to accommodate those needs – what changes to zoning to allow those needs and what policies/regulations to encourage those needs

Land Capacity Requirements

Minimum requirements

- Present a table of allocated housing needs by income level and permanent supportive housing and emergency housing needs.
- Relate each type of housing need to zones that can reasonably accommodate those needs.
- Show that there is enough capacity to meet each type of housing need.
- If there is insufficient capacity for any type of housing need, the jurisdiction must identify and implement zoning changes that provide enough capacity prior to the periodic updated deadline.

Possible Land Capacity Findings

- Jurisdictions will likely find they don't have enough capacity for lower-income housing needs
 - Result: Need to add more zoning capacity for higher density housing types
- Rural areas do not support lower-income housing needs due to lot sizes and restrictions on type of housing
 - Result: Growth will need to be directed into cities, unincorporated urban growth areas, and where appropriate, LAMIRDs with infrastructure
- Areas that were not planned to be served by infrastructure may need attention in capital facilities plan to support needed capacities
- Jurisdictions may also need to update regulations allowing emergency housing and shelters, transitional housing and PSH

Next steps for jurisdictions

Allocate countywide housing needs to each jurisdiction

- Recommend counties use existing coordination process

Accommodate allocations by income bracket (land capacity)

- Identify capacity for allocated housing needs by income bracket
- Make adjustments to zoning to accommodate housing needs

Document programs and actions needed to achieve housing availability for each income bracket

- Review other regulations, fee structures, incentives, etc. which influence housing

Update comprehensive plan policies and regulations

Resources for Updating your Housing Element

Book 1: Establishing Housing Targets for your Community

- [April 6 recorded webinar](#)
- [Housing for All Planning Tool](#) for allocation

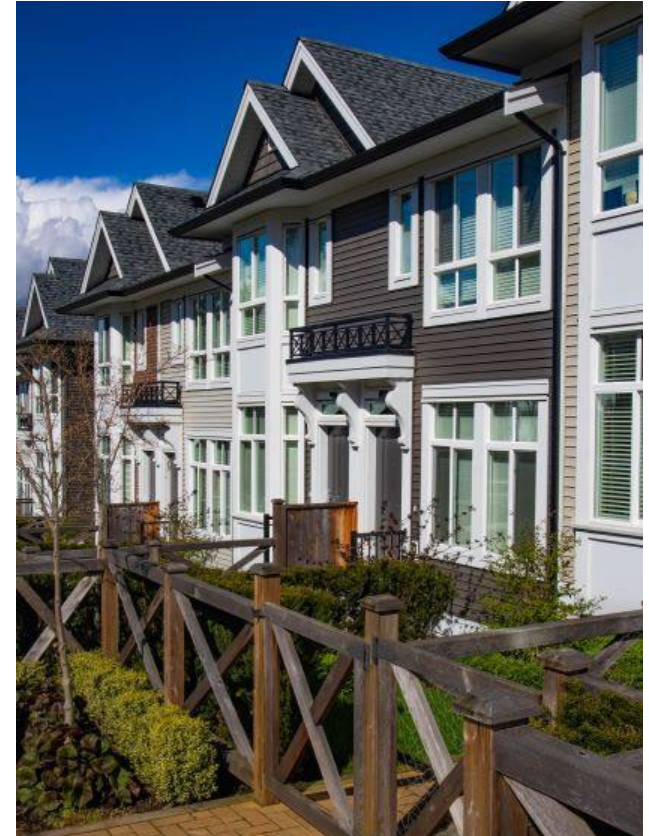
Book 2: Guidance for Updating Your Housing Element

- Land capacity guidance (step by step process)
- Checklists to document barriers to affordable housing
- [May 4 recorded webinar](#)

Book 3: Racially Disparate Impacts (RDI) Guidance

- [Dec 2022 Recorded webinar](#)
- RDI data and mapping for each jurisdiction (forthcoming)
- [May 24 Talking Race for Planners recorded webinar](#)

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Updating Development Regulations with New 2023 Housing Requirements

ADUs (HB 1337) and Middle Housing (HB 1110)



Highlights for Code Updates

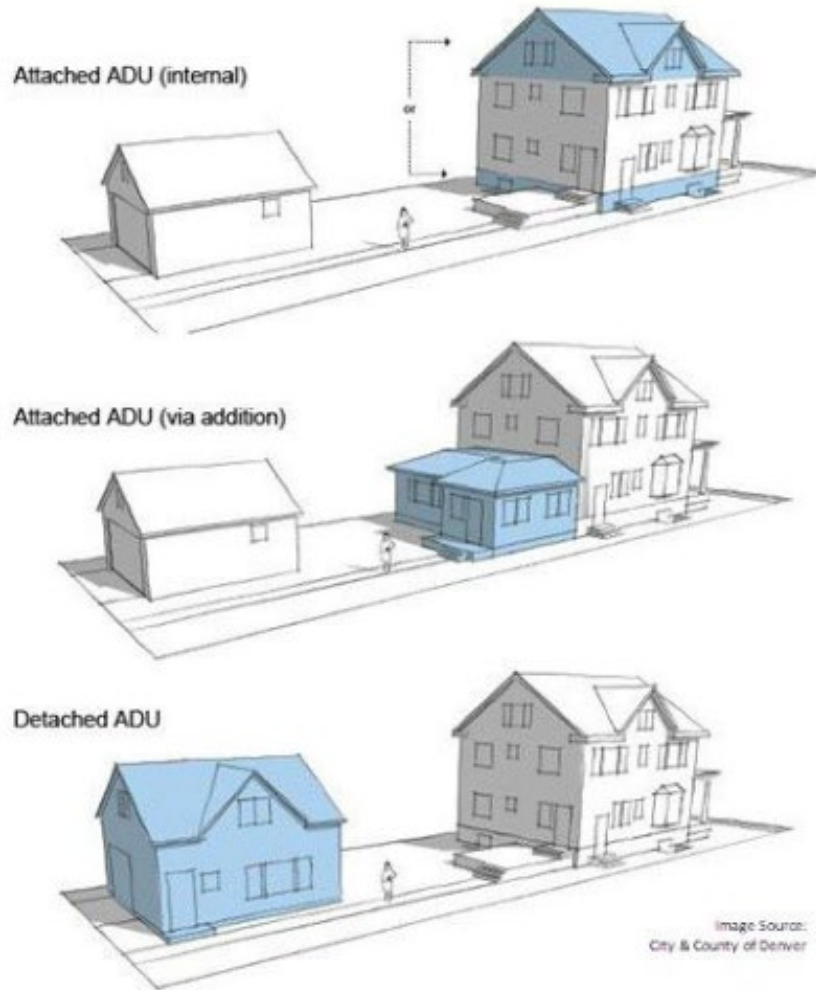
2015 – 2022 legislation (due with update)

- Must allow permanent supportive housing, transitional housing and shelters
- Bonus density for land owned by religious organizations
- May not regulate number of people in a household
- Limit on amount of parking that may be required near transit
- Limits on regulating homeless encampments

2023 legislation (due 6 months after update)

- Allow middle housing in cities over 25,000, or contiguous for certain jurisdictions (1110)
- Allow 2 ADUs within urban growth areas (1337)
- Unit lot subdivisions (5258)
- Schedule of proportionate impact fees (5258)
- Conversion of existing buildings (1042)
- Clear objective design standards (1293)
- Permit timelines by 01-01-2025 (5290)

New Legislation: HB 1337 (2023) Accessory Dwelling Units



Local governments must, by 6 months after the periodic update due date:

- Allow two ADUs per lot in all GMA urban growth areas
- May not require the owner to occupy the property
- May not prohibit sale as independent units
- Must allow an ADU of at least 1,000 square feet and adjust zoning to be consistent with HB 1337
- Must set consistent parking requirements based on distance from transit and lot size
- May not charge more than 50% of impact fees charged for the principal unit

New Legislation: Middle Housing 1110

“Middle housing” means buildings that are **compatible in scale, form, and character with single-family houses** and contain two or more attached, stacked, or clustered homes.

Duplex



Fourplex



Courtyard Apartments



Cottage Housing



Townhouses



HB 1110 Middle housing	Affected cities must allow	If affordable housing in the development	Middle within ¼ mile of major transit stop
Cities of 25k-75k population	2 du/lot on all lots *	4 du/lot if one is affordable*	4 du/lot *
Cities over 75k population	4 du/lot on all lots *	6 du/lot if 2 are affordable*	6 du/lot *
Cities <25k contiguous UGA with largest city in county > 275,000	2 du/lot on all lots *		*Unless zoning permits higher densities

Commerce implementation of HB 1110

- HB 1110 FAQ available now
- Middle housing grants coming
- **Model middle housing ordinance(s)** by December 31, 2023
- Commerce also to provide
 - Middle housing toolkit of traditional neighborhood design standards
 - Guidance to carry out many of these tasks
 - Details on the content of a parking study
 - Procedures for Commerce review of ordinances

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Growth Management Housing Resources

- July 19th Housing workshop (10:00- 12:00)
 - [Registration](#)
- [WCRER housing data](#)
- [MFTE Guidance](#)
- [HB 1220 guidance](#) and [HAP Guidance](#)
- [Fall 2022 Housing survey](#)
- [Middle Housing Tools](#)
- [ADU Draft Guidance](#)
- Commerce housing messaging products - coming in June!
- [New tools for Equitable Transit Oriented Development](#)





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Other Significant Bills

ESHB 1293 – Design review & objective standards

- (1) “Design review” means a formally adopted local government process by which projects are reviewed for compliance with design standards for the type of use adopted through local ordinance.
- (2) Counties and cities . . . may apply . . . only clear and objective development regulations governing the exterior design of new development . . . a clear and objective development regulation:
 - (a) Must include one or more ascertainable guideline, standard, or criterion by which an applicant can determine whether a given building design is permissible under that development regulation; and
 - (b) May not result in a reduction in density, height, bulk, or scale below the generally applicable development regulations for a development proposal in the applicable zone.

Local Project Review – SB 5290

Changes to Local Process

- Exempts most interior alterations from site plan review
- Changes process for providing a determination of completeness including timelines and criteria
- Changes project review timelines and creates a statutory schedule of timelines for different permit types
- If timelines are not met, a portion of the application fee must be refunded
- Requires permit timeline reports to be submitted to Commerce
- Amends notice of application procedures

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- Develop a grant program for cities modernizing permitting practices
- Compile permit timeline reports
- Establish a task force to examine feasibility of electronic processing software
- Estimate costs to provide on-call permit assistance staff
- Allows cities below 500 population to conduct a significantly reduced periodic update.

Changes from this Session

Shoreline Update Cycle - HB 1544

Moves the update cycle for the Shoreline Master Program to a ten-year cycle and synchronizes the updates with the update cycle in the GMA.

CAO Adoption by Reference - SB 5374

Allows cities below 25,000 population to adopt the county critical areas ordinance by reference and avoid the duty to conduct a separate periodic update.

Streamlined Update for Very Small Cities - SB 5457

Allows cities below 500 population to conduct a significantly reduced periodic update.

Thank you!



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