

RDCO's Strategic Long-Range Plan Updates (RGS and OCPs)

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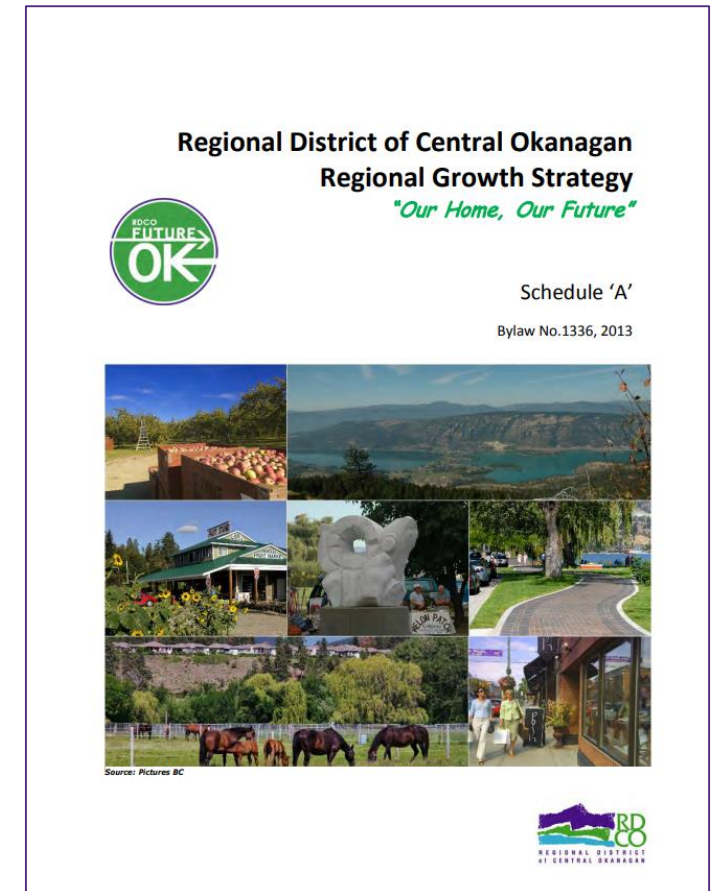


Purpose

- To consider a recommended sequencing for updating the RDCO's strategic, long-range planning documents (Regional Growth Strategy and Official Community Plans)

Regional Growth Strategy

- What is a Regional Growth Strategy?
 - Common vision for regional growth over 20 years
 - Informs member municipality Official Community Plans
- Current Regional Growth Strategy adopted in 2014
 - Due for an update



Why now?

- Population Growth
- Provincial Housing Legislation
- Increased prevalence of extreme heat, wildfire and floods



Major changes influencing both *how much* and *where*
our region will grow

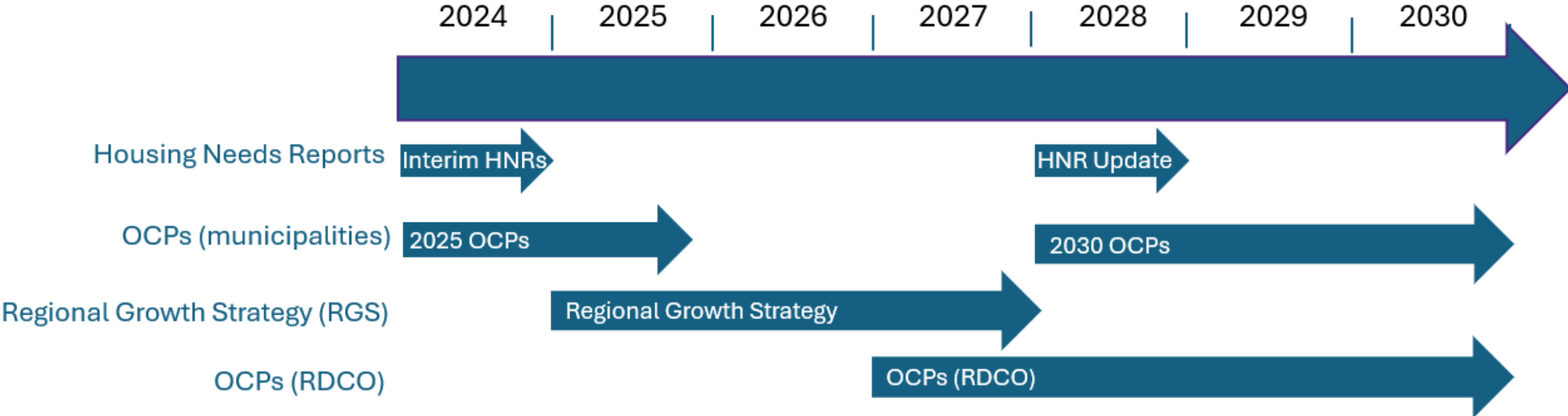
Provincial Housing Legislation



Relevant changes for the RGS in Bill 44:

- New prescribed densities for single family zones
- Secondary suites
- Housing Needs Reports – every 5 years
- Official Community Plans – every 5 years (municipalities only)

Timeline Considerations



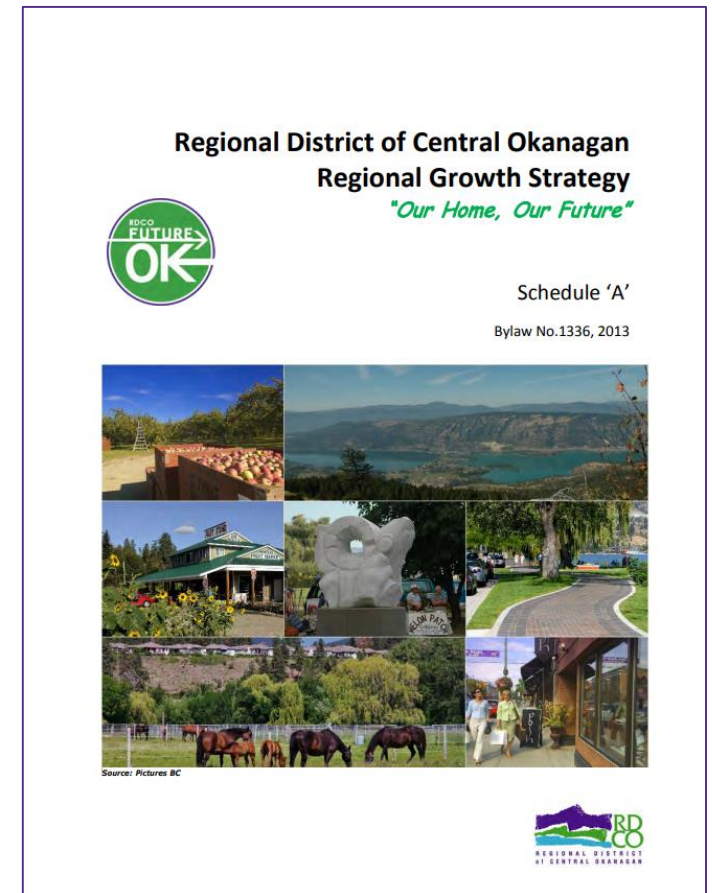
RGS Review and Update

- Multi-year process
- Comprehensive public and community partner engagement
- RGS Steering Committee is supportive



Region-wide benefits

- Advancing the RGS in 2025 would provide value to all our member governments & EA's & bring region-wide benefits:
 - Addressing major changes related to population growth, provincial housing legislation and increased natural hazard events
 - Provide a consistent regional approach to growth in time to inform member's 2030 OCP updates and the RDCO's OCPs



Recommendation

THAT the Regional Board direct staff to commence the scoping of a Regional Growth Strategy update for Board consideration.