



2050 Regional Development Guide

Values and Vision Revised Draft
Preliminary Goals Discussion



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Goals for Today



Values

- Review revised language

Vision

- Review revised language and considerations

Goal Considerations

- Review cross-cutting goal matrix

Regional Values, Vision, and Goals

Values

Values are core beliefs or principals that guide the work of the Council, our expectations of partnerships, and our policy and program development.

Vision

Our vision is what we want to achieve for the region through our policies, practices, programs, and partnerships.

Goals

Our goals broadly describe the desired end states that we want to achieve for the region.

Regional Core Values: Revised Short Form

Equity

We value the people and communities of our region.

Leadership

We value those in our region who inspire and motivate others for positive change.

Accountability

We value being effective in our work and achieving measurable outcomes.

Stewardship

We value our region's abundant resources.

Regional Core Value: Equity

We value the ~~diverse communities~~ people and communities of our region.

Our region is economically and culturally vibrant. We also recognize, however, the harm and disparities that injustices, including racism, have created.

We are dedicated to creating systems, policies, and programs that repair and heal past harm, foster an equitable future, and eliminate disparities. Communities that have been marginalized in the past will be at the center of this work in leadership roles.

Regional Core Value: Leadership

We value those in our region who inspire and motivate others for positive change.

Our region is known for its civic engagement. We need broad leadership to help confront the significant challenges we face around equity, climate change, and other pressing issues.

To maximize the potential of our region and its communities, we need turn to leadership that is diverse, collaborative, culturally competent, and innovative. ~~This~~ We encourage this kind of leadership ~~needs to come from~~ across all sectors including business, government, non-profit, and education.

Regional Core Value: Accountability

We value being effective in our work and achieving measurable outcomes.

Our region is known for its research, initiatives, and collaborations. We must be open to criticism and clearly understand if we are not achieving results or have harmed communities.

We recognize that we ~~can only be successful~~ maximize our effectiveness by being in partnership with others. We will also be transparent and flexible so that we can change course if we need to.

Regional Core Value: Stewardship

We value our region's ~~natural and economic~~ abundant resources.

Our region's resource include our natural resources, our economic resources, our infrastructure, and our financial resources. We recognize that ~~our~~ these resources may be vulnerable over time to changing conditions, including from climate change.

We must design our systems and allocate our resources in ways that can be sustained over time and support the needs of future generations.

Regional Vision

Our Region is Equitable, Inclusive, and Welcoming

Our quality of life is high by national standards but not all communities share in this. We envision a future where inequities and injustices have been eliminated and all residents and newcomers feel welcome, included, and empowered.

Our Communities are Healthy, Safe, and Vibrant

The wellbeing of our region depends on the strength and inclusiveness of our economy as well as the quality, safety, and reliability of our public services. We envision a future where all our region's residents can live healthy, productive, and rewarding lives with a sense of security, agency, and wellbeing.

We Lead on Addressing Climate Change

Our region leads on the critical issue of climate change. We envision a future where we have eliminated or mitigated greenhouse gas emissions and have adapted to ensure that our communities and systems are resilient.

We Protect and Restore Natural Systems

Our region has world class parks and abundant natural resources. We envision a future where natural systems are increasingly protected, integrated, and restored to ensure a high quality of life for our growing region.

Values and Vision Discussion



Consensus Building

- Do these changes and suggestions capture and represent your previous ideas and shared perspectives?
- Does the language create a balanced tone?
- Are you comfortable moving forward knowing that further articulation will happen?
- Are you comfortable with endorsing this language as a Working Values and Vision?

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Policy areas:

- Land Use
- Housing
- Transportation
- Water Resources
- Parks
- Economy

Plan considerations:

- Upholding communities harmed in the past
- Community “agency”, “power sharing”, and participation
- Authenticity
- Land use inclusion vs. exclusion
- Environmental justice
- Access, affordability, and choice
- Economic empowerment
- Income and wealth disparities

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- Parks
- Economy

Plan considerations:

- Personal safety
- Safety of systems and services
 - Transportation
 - Water resources
- Access, affordability, and choice
- Open space and recreational access
- Shared economic prosperity
- Workforce development
- Economic innovation and prosperity

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- Water Resources
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- Economy

Plan considerations:

- Efficient land use patterns
- Transportation efficiency and modal choice
- Environmental justice
- Vulnerability to climate events
 - People
 - Systems and services
- GHG elimination/ mitigation
- Economic impacts and / or innovation

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- Water Resources
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- Economy

Plan considerations:

- Orderly and efficient development
- Natural resources as development assets
- ROW and system context sensitivity
- Surface / groundwater protection and sustainability
- Environmental justice
- Vulnerability to climate events

Working Goal Development Matrix

Prospective Shared Goal Areas	Equitable, Inclusive, and Welcoming	Healthy, Safe, and Vibrant	Climate	Natural Systems
Land Use				
Orderly and efficient development		•	•	•
Natural resources / landscapes		•	•	•
Greenhouse gas / pollution	•	•	•	
Accessibility	•	•	•	
Agricultural land		•	•	•
Cultural histories	•	•		
Regional and local job centers	•	•		
Housing				
Accessibility	•	•	•	
Affordability / choice	•	•		
Regional / local needs	•	•		
Transportation				
Orderly and efficient development		•	•	•
Infrastructure resilience		•	•	
Greenhouse gas / pollution	•	•	•	
Accessibility	•	•		
Affordability / choice	•	•		
Safety / security	•	•		
Right-of-way	•	•		•
Water Resources				
Orderly and efficient development		•	•	•
Infrastructure resilience		•	•	
Greenhouse gas / pollution	•	•	•	
Surface water	•	•	•	•
Groundwater		•	•	•
Wastewater		•	•	•
Parks				
Natural resources / landscapes		•	•	•
Accessibility	•	•		
Open space and trails	•	•		•
Economy				
Accessibility	•	•	•	
Entrepreneurship and innovation	•	•	•	
Workforce	•	•		
Freight, logistics, market access		•		•

Goal Discussion



Development of Goals

- Our goals will broadly describe the desired end states that we want to achieve for the region.
- What end states would you like to see by 2050?
- How are these end states related across policy areas?
- How do these end states achieve our regional vision?
- What information or technical support would be helpful in our next conversation?

Next Steps



Schedule

- February 15, 2023: Committee of the Whole
 - 2050 RDG Goals