



Growth Management Coordinating Committee

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PERIODIC UPDATE

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WA Land Use Planning

Growth Management Act and
other State Statutes



Multi-County Planning Policies
(Vision 2050 in Central Puget Sound)



Countywide Planning Policies

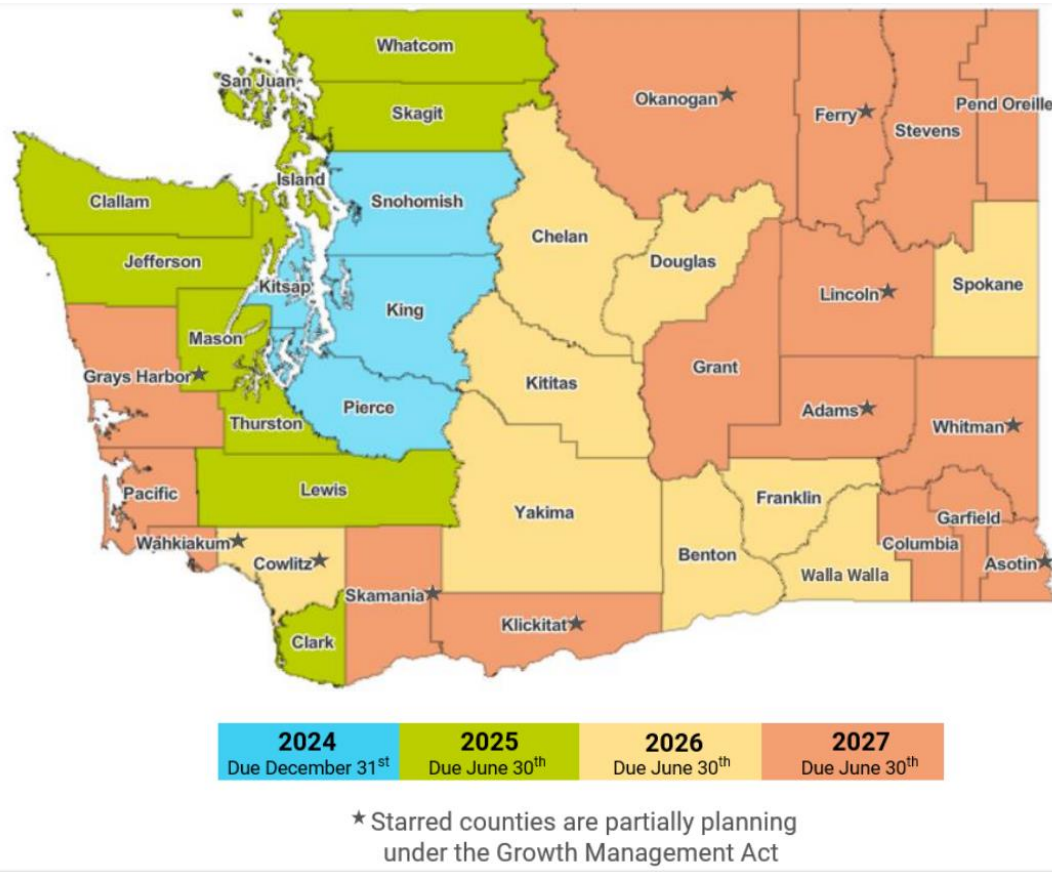


Comprehensive Plan



Development
Regulations and
Permitting

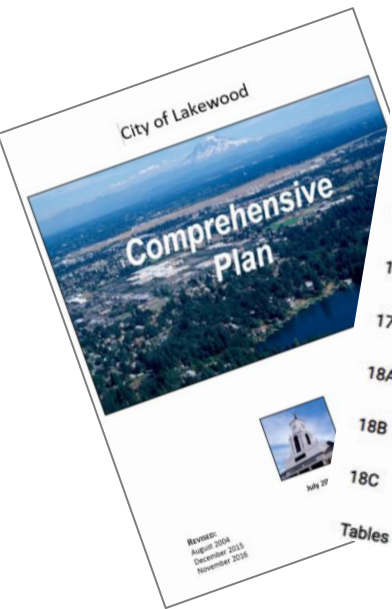
What?



The state Growth Management Act (GMA) requires counties and cities to periodically conduct a thorough review of their plan and regulations to bring them up to date with any relevant changes in the GMA and to respond to changes in land use and population growth. See [RCW 36.70A.130](#)

Pierce County jurisdictions' next periodic update deadline is December 31, 2024.

What?



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PERIODIC UPDATE CHECKLIST FOR FULLY PLANNING CITIES – REVISED 2022

New Growth Management Legislation

HB 1220: Jurisdictions must plan for and accommodate, rather than encourage the availability of, 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.

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: Promoting housing construction in cities through amendments to and limiting appeals under SEPA and GMA.

[2021-2022 Growth Management Legislative Reports](#)

Counties and cities must be up-to-date with the requirements of the GMA, including the periodic update requirements, to be eligible for grants and loans from certain state infrastructure programs.

Process

1. Establish a public participation program	2. Review relevant plans and regulations	3. Take legislative action.	4. Submit notice to state
Develop a plan that includes a schedule for steps in the update process to ensure the public is aware of the process and knows how they can participate. (RCW 36.70A.130(2)) and WAC 365-196-600.	Evaluate whether there is a need to revise the urban growth area, comprehensive plan, or development regulations to ensure they are consistent with the GMA. (RCW 36.70A.130(3)) and WAC 365-195-610	Adopt an ordinance or resolution finding that a review has occurred, and identifying revisions made or concluding that revisions were not needed. (RCW 36.70A.130(1)(b))	Send formal notice of intent to adopt to the state at least 60 days prior to taking legislative action. Send a copy of the signed adopted ordinance or resolution 10 days after final action. (RCW 36.70A.106)

- Most staff are working on or finalizing a public participation plan/scope, with work starting in earnest in 2023.

Periodic Update Process Overview

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



Submit Comprehensive Plan to PSRC prior to submitting to the Department of Commerce

How?

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 expects to provide grant funding to all counties, and cities within those counties.

- Your checklist is the first deliverable
- Funding is available July 1st
- Half in first year, half in second year
- 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

Some cities have already started “collaborating” and “coordinating” on their updates around regional issues (e.g., 5 cities are coordinating their efforts on a Commerce housing grant with SSHA³P.)

Periodic Update Guidance Sources

- [RCW 36.70A.130](#)
- [WAC Chapter 365-196](#) (esp. subsections 610-660)
- [WA Department of Commerce](#)
- [Municipal Research Services Center \(MRSC\)](#)
- [Puget Sound Regional Council \(PSRC\)](#)

<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/growth-management/growth-management-topics/military-base-land-use/>

Other Items

- 2022 Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) are out for ratification – action by a city (or no action which also demonstrates approval) is due by November 13th, 2022.
- 2044 Population and Employment Growth Targets have been forwarded to the full County Council for action on August 16th, 2022.
- Looking ahead: GMCC discussing coordinating a call for new center designations in 2023 versus 2022. This would result in better timing with GMA updates, and puts the call back in compliance with the schedule set in the CPPs. GMCC will bring its recommendation to the PCRC later this year for confirmation.