

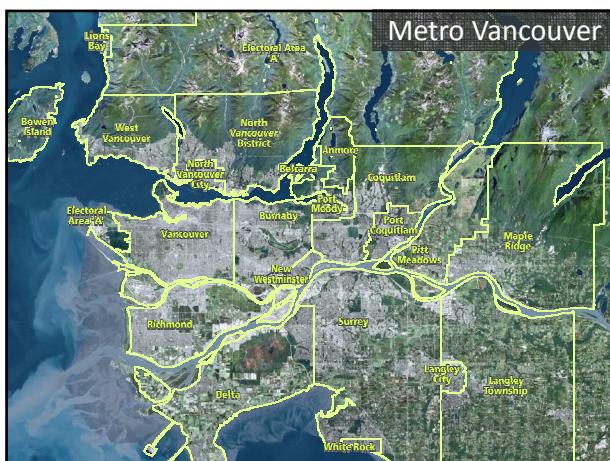
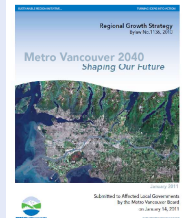
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Presentation Outline

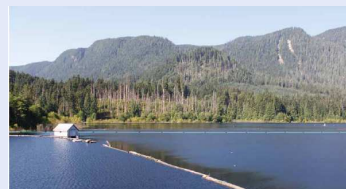
Planning the region for the next 30 years!

- 1) Long-term regional growth trends:
1 million more people over 30 years
- 2) New Regional Growth Strategy:
Building a transit oriented region
- 3) Where to invest:
Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Areas



Metro Vancouver's Role and Strategies

- Regional services to 22 municipalities
 - water, sewage, solid waste
 - parks and regional land use planning
- Governance through Metro Vancouver Board
- Issues best addressed at the regional level



New Regional Growth Strategy - Major Themes

Confirm LRSP values and directions:

- Compact region, protect 'green' areas, complete communities, transit oriented centres

Add new policy emphases:

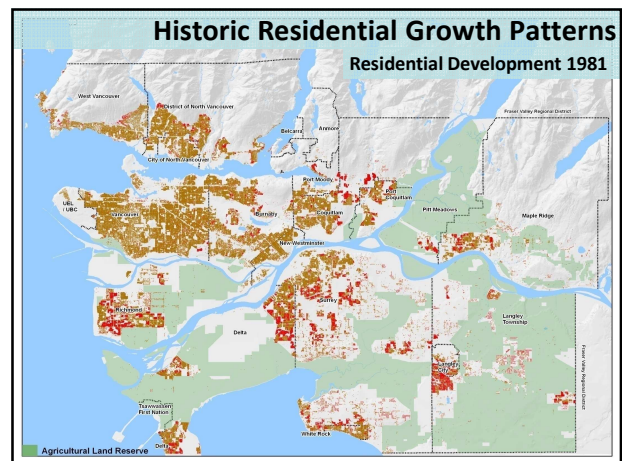
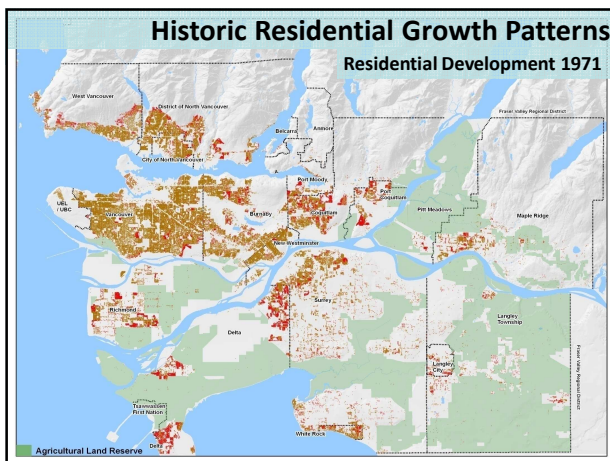
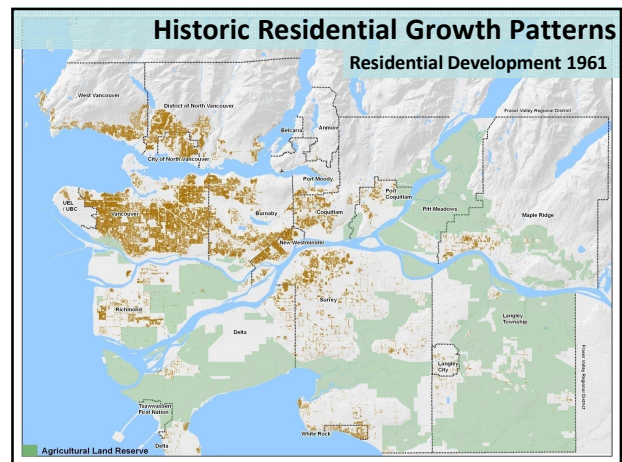
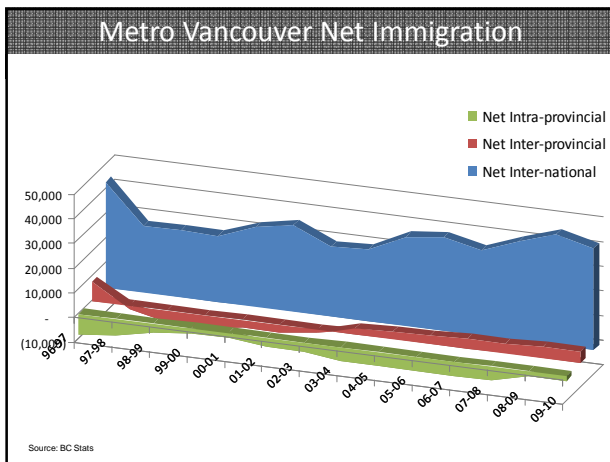
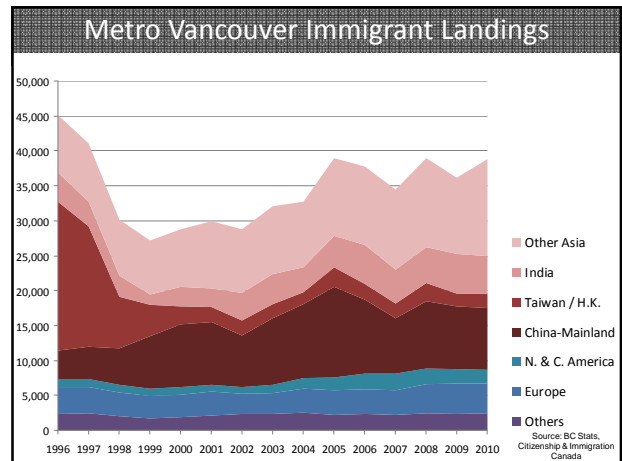
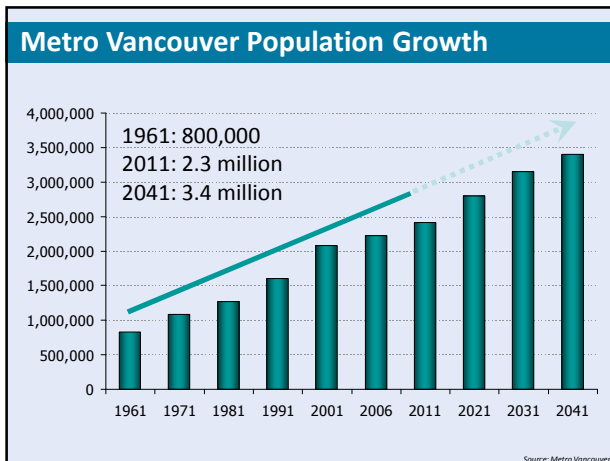
- Employment sprawl
- Erosion of industrial lands
- Accommodate growth
- Housing strategy elements
- Link land use and transportation



Land Use Planning Framework

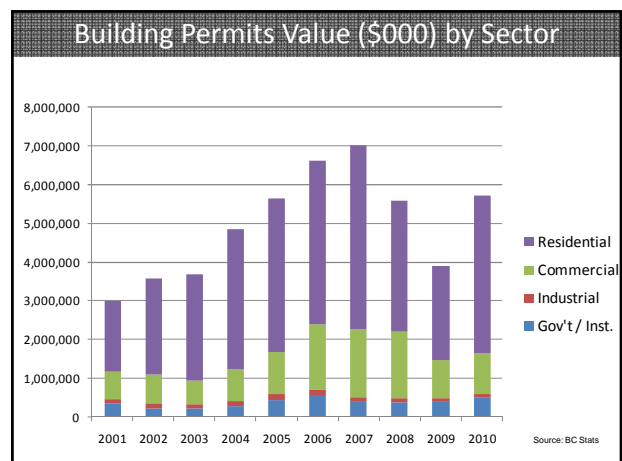
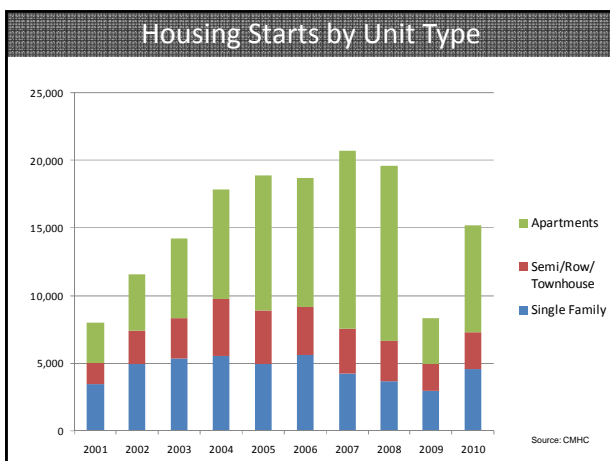
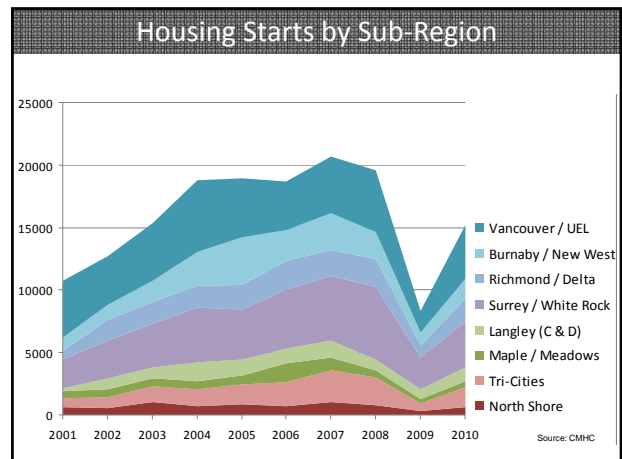
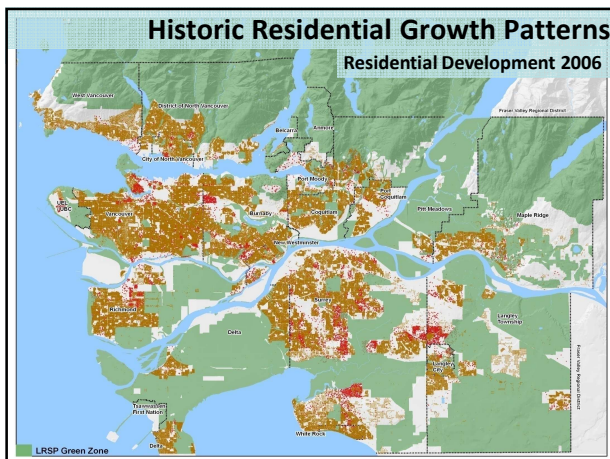
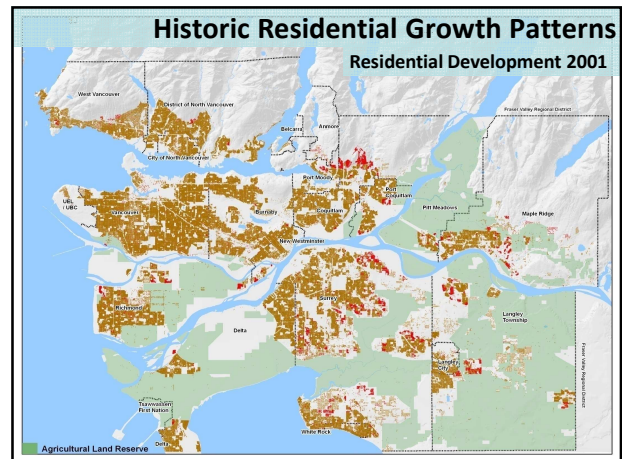
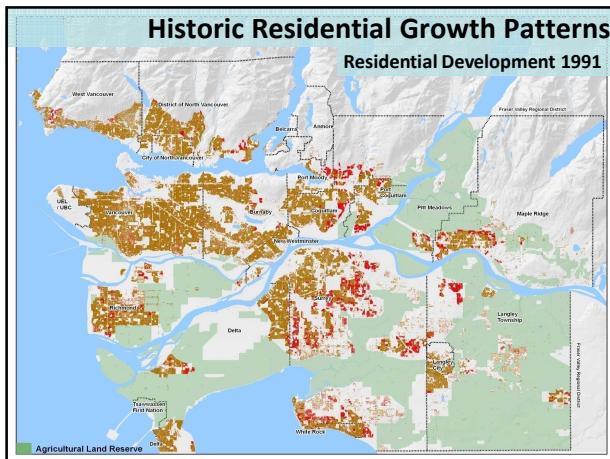


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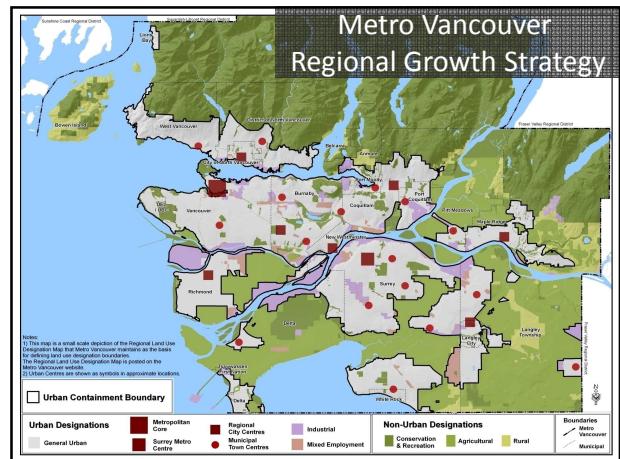
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New Regional Growth Strategy – Five Goals

-  **GOAL 1** Create a Compact Urban Area
-  **GOAL 2** Support a Sustainable Economy
-  **GOAL 3** Protect the Region's Environment and Respond to Climate Change Impacts
-  **GOAL 4** Develop Complete Communities
-  **GOAL 5** Support Sustainable Transportation Choices








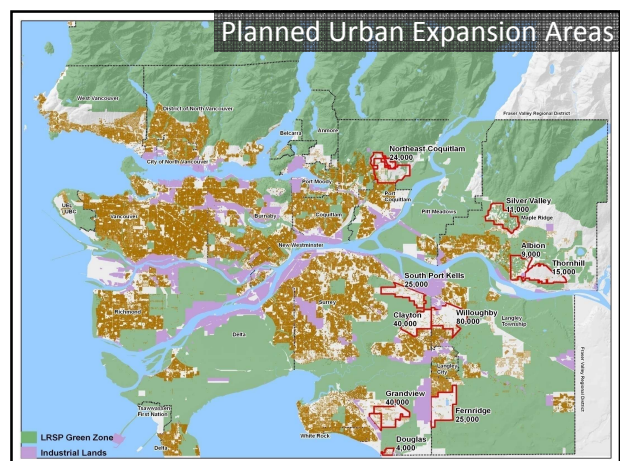
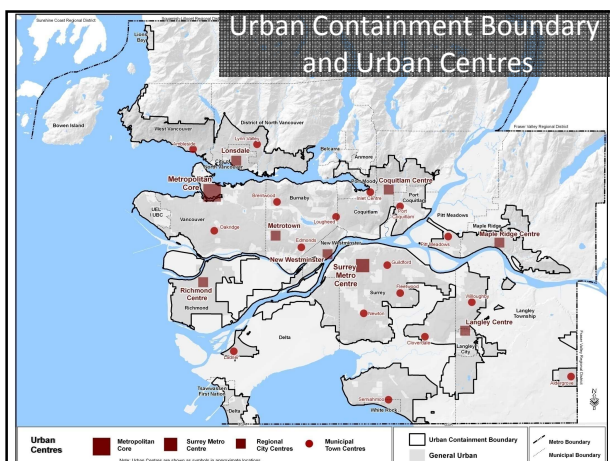
Goal 1: Create a Compact Urban Area

- Establish Urban Containment Boundary
- Identify priority areas for growth – Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Areas (FTDAs)
- Direct 75 - 80% of growth to existing urban areas



Urban Centres and FTDAs Characteristics

Metro Core	<i>The Region's Downtown</i>	
Surrey Metro Centre	<i>Centre of Activity South of Fraser River</i>	
Regional City Centre	<i>Major regional centres, serving sub-regions</i>	
Municipal Town Centre	<i>Hubs of activity within municipalities</i>	
Frequent Transit Devel. Areas	<i>Focal areas for growth with Frequent Transit Network</i>	

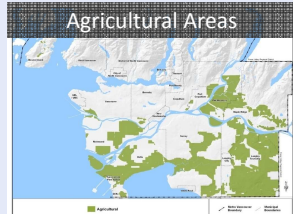
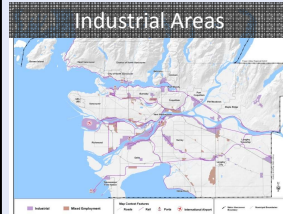


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Goal 2: Support a Sustainable Economy



- Protect the region's industrial land supply
- Protect region's agricultural land and promote agricultural viability
- 70% of employment growth to Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Areas (FTDAs)



Goal 3: The Region's Environment



- Protect the region's Conservation and Recreation lands
- Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

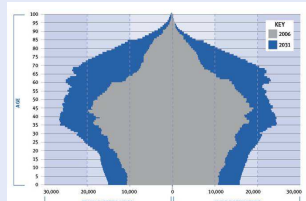
Conservation/Recreation Areas



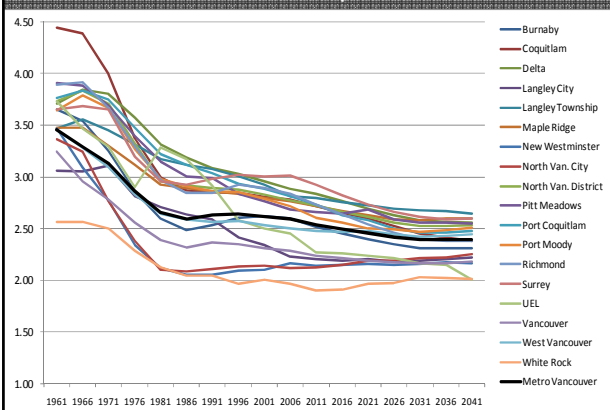
Goal 4: Develop Complete Communities



- Increase housing supply and diversity
- Provide range of housing choices in region
- Expand affordability for rental and ownership
- Link housing development and transit service
- Housing demand estimates by tenure / income



Number of Persons per Household



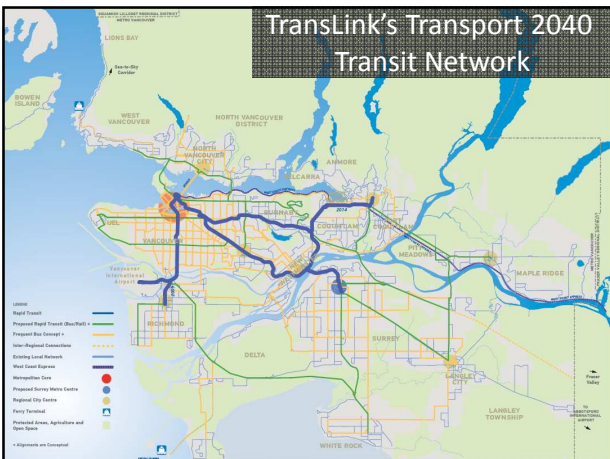
Goal 5: Sustainable Transportation



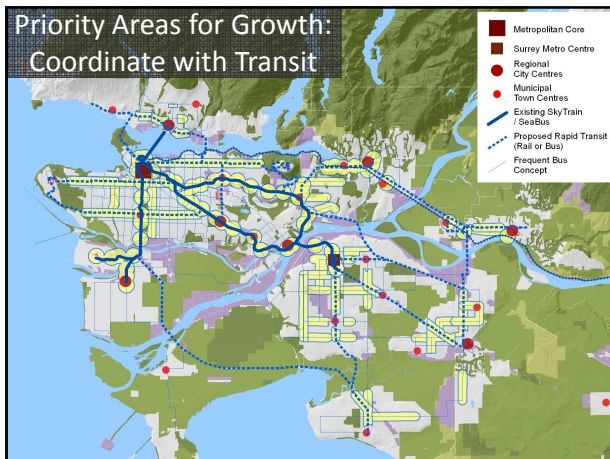
- Transportation planning to serve demand
- Transit investments to shape future land use and travel patterns
- Coordinate land use and transportation planning for efficient roads, transit and goods movement



TransLink's Transport 2040
Transit Network

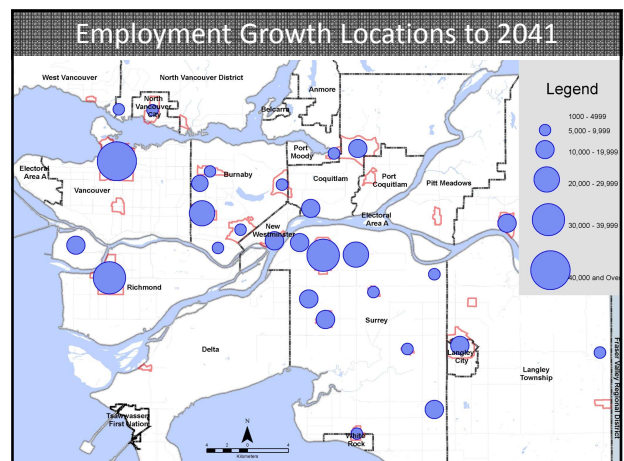
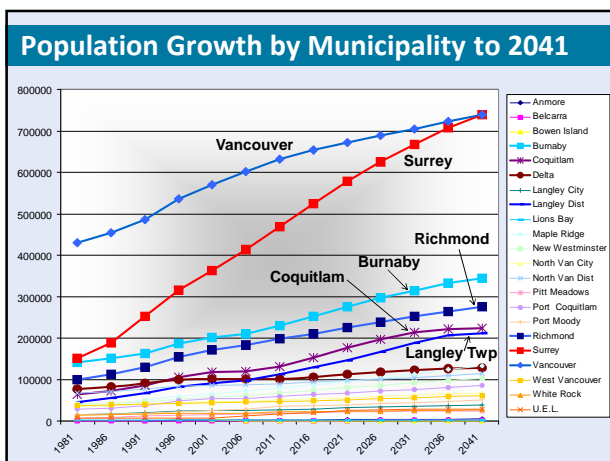
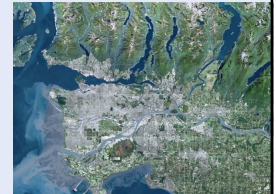


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Ongoing Regional Growth Trends

- Continued population growth
- Fewer people per household
- Housing affordability issues
- Higher densities and in-fill developments
- More multi-unit residential development
- Walkable communities
- Access to transit



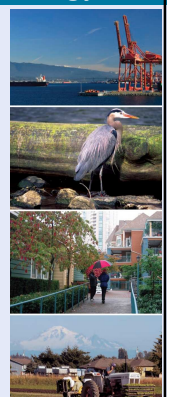
Benefits of Locating in Urban Centres

- Access to transit, amenities, services, jobs, housing
- Walkable design / mix uses / creative densities
- Higher densities allow for lower costs per unit
- Link housing and transit
- Households spend less on transportation costs
- Increases sustainability by reducing need to cars



Summary: A Successful Regional Strategy

- Establish framework for success
- Accommodate growth
- Develop attractive urban centres
- Support strong economy
- Efficient transportation system
- Environmental protection
- Productive agriculture lands



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Status of Regional Growth Strategy

- Multi-year RGS consultation / drafting process
- All affected local governments must accept RGS before it is enacted
- April 2011: City of Coquitlam did not accept the Regional Growth Strategy (all others did accept)
- Dispute resolution process
- RGS enactment



For more information ...



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