

# FRASER VALLEY FUTURE 2050

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# Regional Growth Strategy

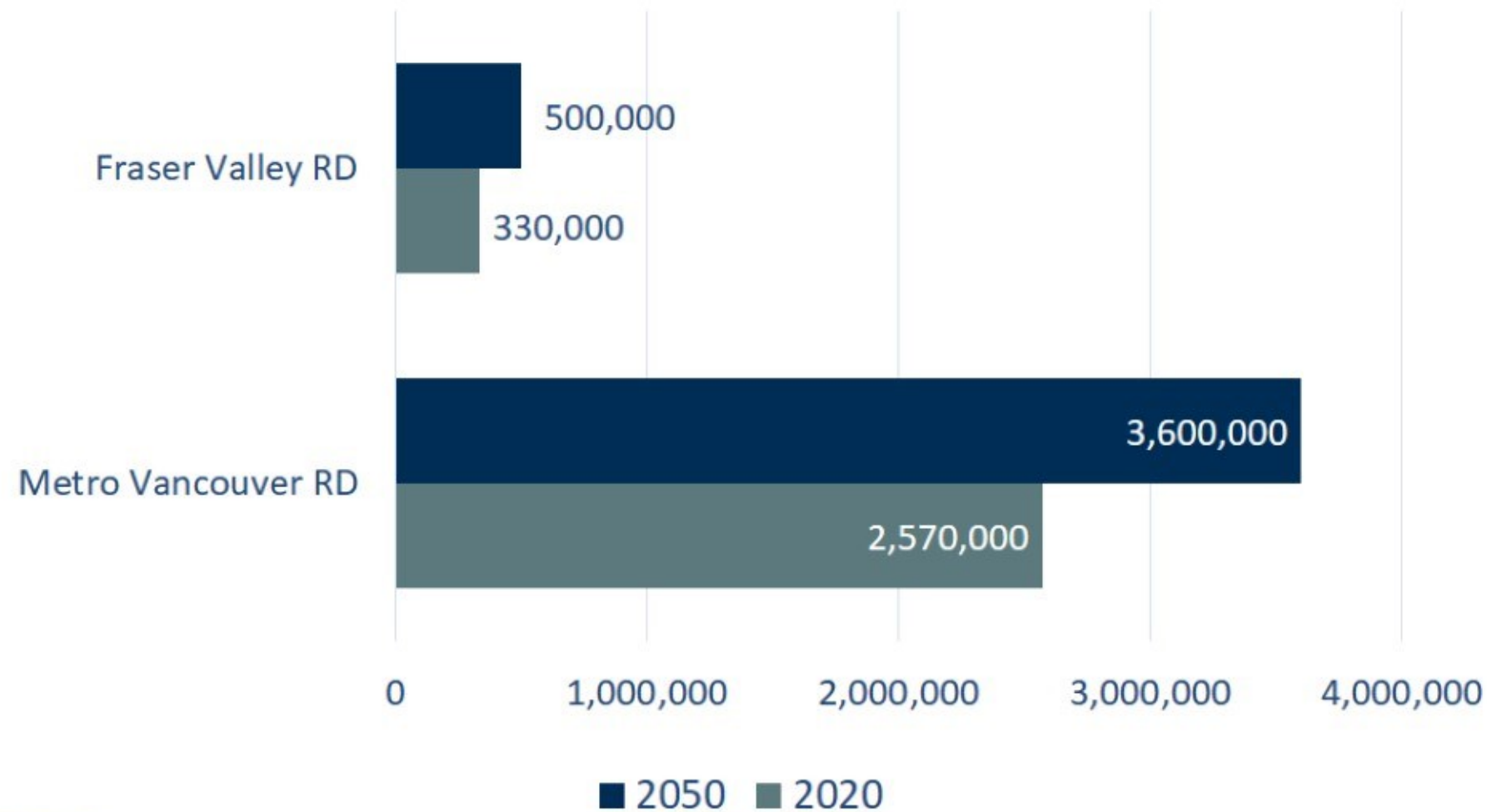


- *Identify common goals*
- *Promote coordination between municipalities, regional districts and indigenous communities*
- *Create stronger links to the Province*
- *Promote the region to investors, residents, and visitors*

# Lower Mainland Growth

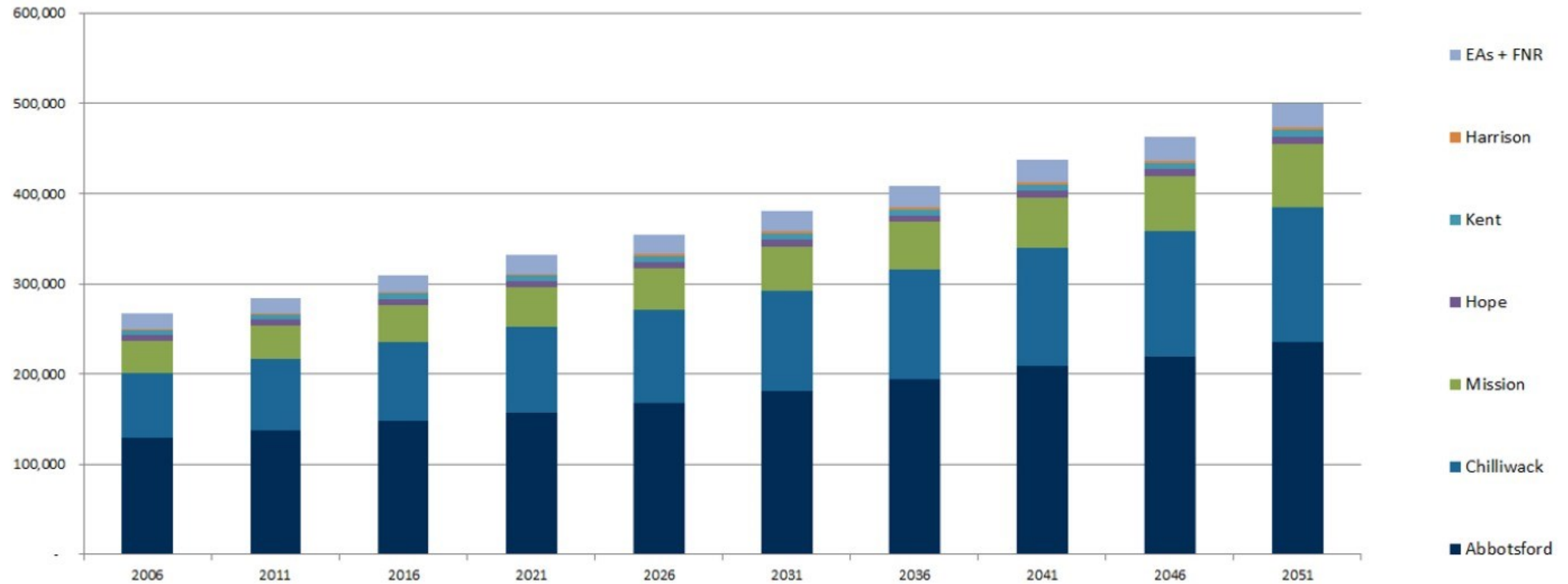
2020-2050

2.9 million to 4.1 million





# A Growing Region



Population **331,000** and growing

# Key Guiding Principle



# Engagement, Consultation & Public Input

- » Intergovernmental Advisory Committee
- » Municipal Councils
- » Indigenous Communities/Agencies
- » Public





# Indigenous Community Input

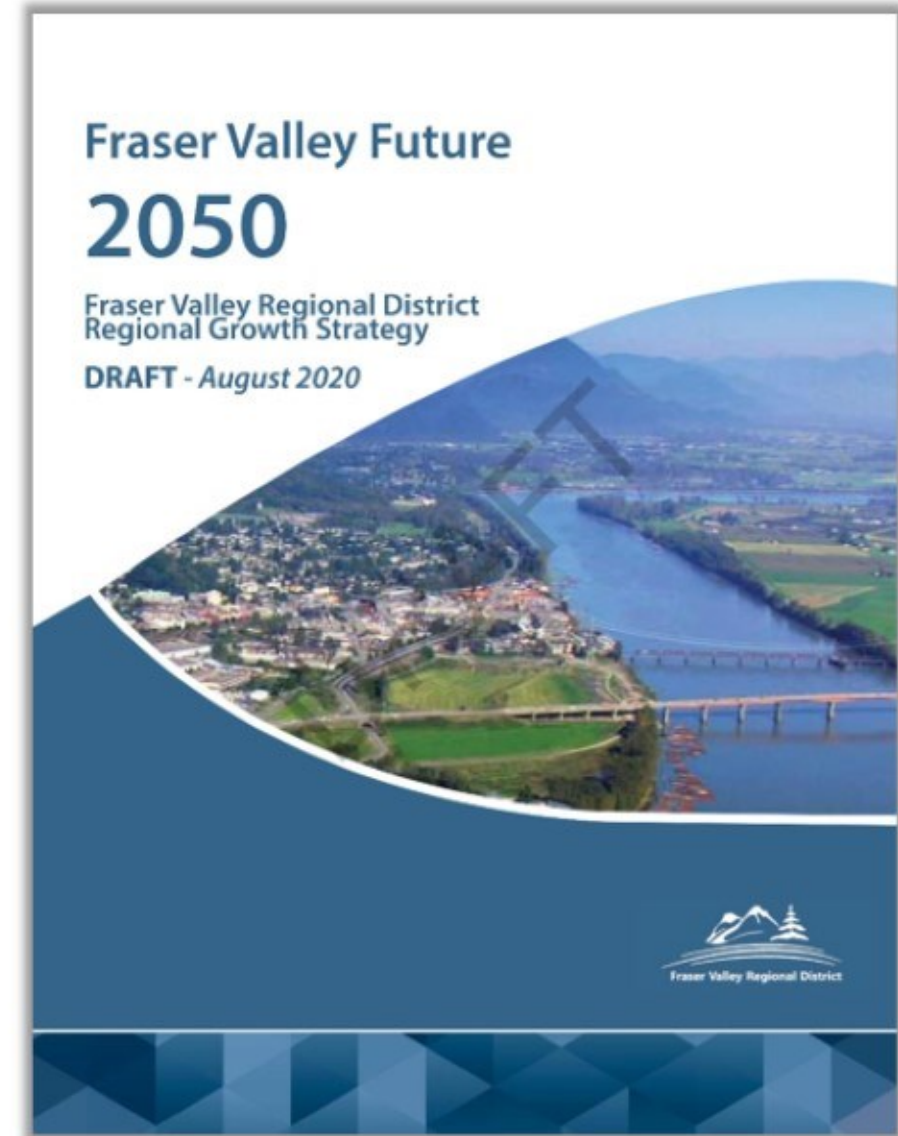
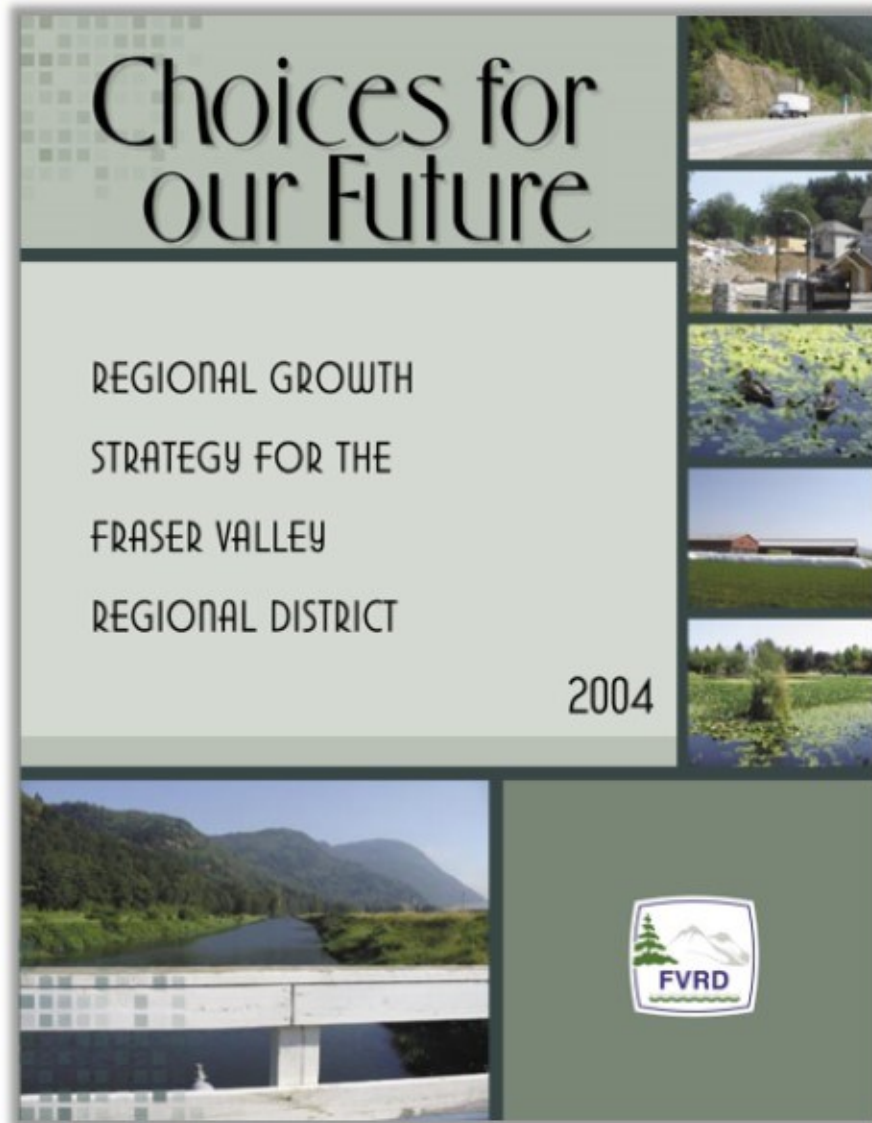


**Most significant change from the 2004 plan & 2014 draft is recognizing Indigenous peoples and communities**

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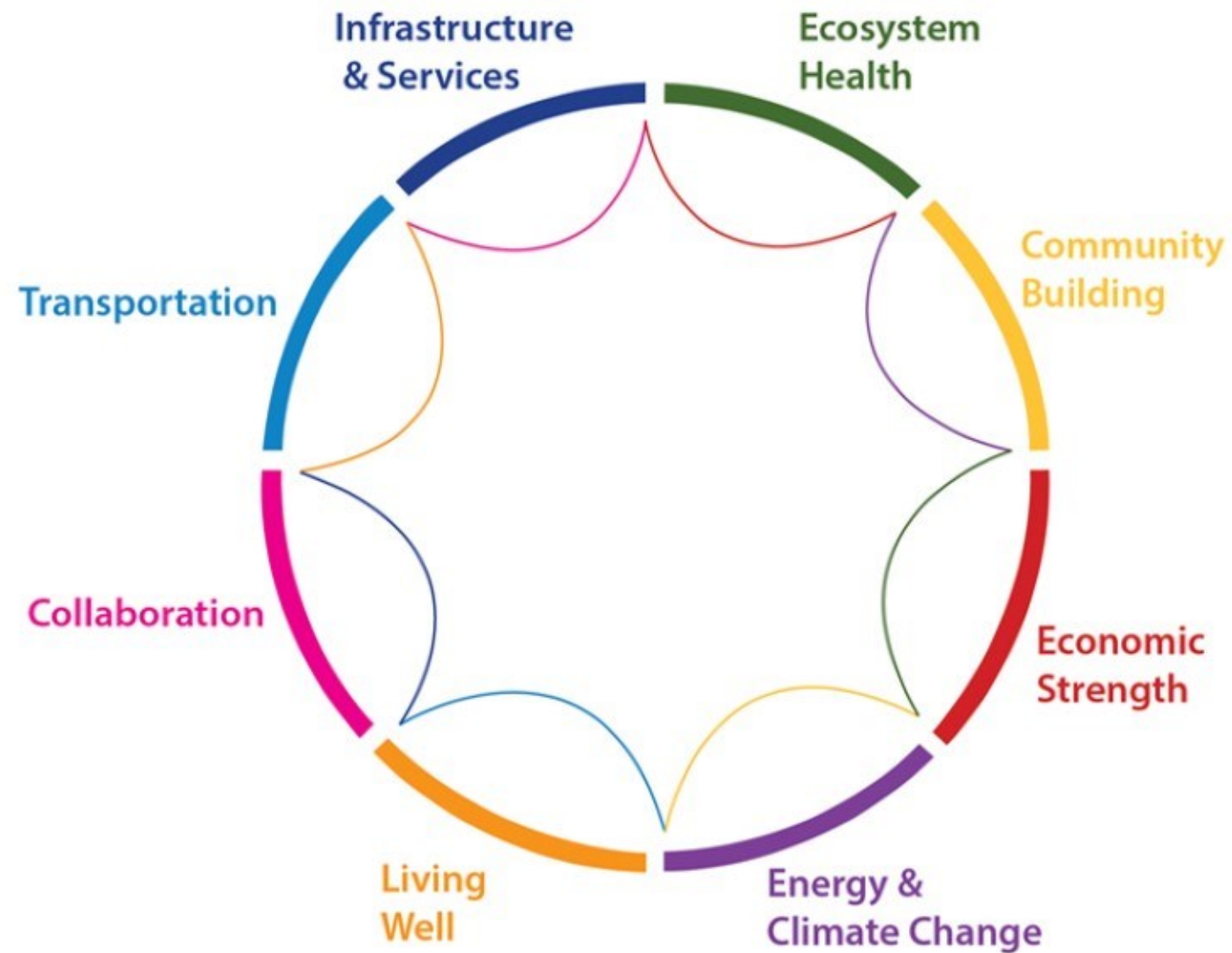




# Vision

“The Fraser Valley Regional District will be a network of healthy, vibrant, distinct, and sustainable communities that accept responsibly managed growth while being committed to protecting the land resource and the natural environment to ensure that a high quality of life is accessible to all.”

# Draft RGS Goals





# Collaboration

## NEW SECTION

- » Goal: *To achieve our common goals for the future of the region by encouraging collaboration between jurisdictions, cultures, and neighbours.*
  - > *Strengthening relationships with Indigenous communities*
  - > *Working together to ensure success*
    - Local governments
    - Indigenous governments & communities
    - Senior governments
    - Community stakeholders



Sts'ailes drummers – East Sector Lands ceremony



# Economic Strength & Resiliency

- » Goal: To realize the region's economic potential by providing opportunities in employment and education that will grow the economy by building on the region's strengths.
  - > *Employment and education*
  - > *Agricultural sector*
  - > *Clean economy/Industry*
  - > *Tourism*





# Living Well

## NEW SECTION

- » Goal: To ensure everyone is able to maintain a high quality of life, regardless of age, income, or ability
  - > *Promote healthy living*
  - > *Support arts and culture initiatives*
  - > *Protect and enhance parks & recreation lands*
    - *Including Experience the Fraser*





# Community Building

- » Goal: To create compact, complete communities that strengthen urban cores, maintain rural character and offer choice and affordability in housing
  - > *Urban*
  - > *Rural*
  - > *Resort* (regional scale)
  - > *Affordable Housing & Homelessness*





# Ecosystem Health

- » Goal: To Protect the air, water, and biodiversity on which we depend
  - > *Monitor, study, protect and improve air quality*
  - > *Protect watershed health*
  - > *Protect Biodiversity*





# Transportation & Mobility

- » Goal: To develop an integrated, safe, and efficient transportation system for people and goods that promotes transit, walking and cycling, and minimizes the transportation system's impact on air quality.
  - > *Safe and efficient transportation options*
    - *Transit & multi-modal opportunities*
    - *Regional transportation priorities*
  - > *Active and alternative transportation*
    - *EV charging stations*
    - *More & safer opportunities to walk and bike*





# Infrastructure & Services

- » Goal: To provide efficient, sustainable, and cost effective services that contribute to compact and sustainable growth.
  - > *Safe & efficient access to basic utilities*
  - > *Responsible management of solid waste*
  - > *Public safety through emergency management planning*
  - > *Minimize impact of large-scale utility corridors through the region*





# Energy & Climate Change

NEW SECTION

- » Goal: To increase energy efficiency, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in order to minimize the region's impact on climate change, and to mitigate impacts of climate change on our Region.
  - > *Promote energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.*
  - > *Develop the capacity to adapt to and mitigate the impact of climate change on the region.*





# RGS Timeline





# Implementation

» Update OCPs with Regional Context Statements



» RGS monitoring program





# Questions?

