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RDN Board Adopts New Regional Growth Strategy - Shaping Our Future 2040

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) Board has approved the adoption of Shaping Our Future 2040 (Regional District of Nanaimo Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1874, 2023) at its May 14, 2024, meeting. Shaping Our Future 2040 sets out the region's long-term approach to coordinating and managing how and where we grow by addressing regional matters, such as land use, transportation, housing, local economy, agriculture, climate change and more. The update included engaging with residents, member municipalities, provincial agencies, local First Nations and other organizations on key policy areas.

"The adoption of this strategy is a significant achievement in regional collaboration. I'm excited to see the culmination of this work which will help the region remain a vibrant and sustainable place to live, work, and play for our residents," said Vanessa Craig, RDN Chair. "Shaping Our Future 2040 will be a valuable guide as we make decisions that impact our growing communities now and in the future."

Shaping Our Future 2040 has several improvements, including:


- New policies supporting climate adaptation, mitigation and resiliency.
- Expanded policies for housing choices and affordability.
- Expanded policies for food system resiliency.
- More sustainable growth management practices.
- New policies to support our commitment to Truth and Reconciliation.
- New measures to monitor our progress.
- New population, housing and employment projections.

For information on the update process, visit: www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/RGSreview. Shaping Our Future 2040 (Bylaw No. 1874), is available online: www.rdn.bc.ca/regional-growth-strategy.

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