

2019 Summary of RGS Implementation Actions

RGS GOAL / SECTION	ACTION	STATUS AS OF JANUARY 2020
Section 5.0	Establish Targets & Indicators to monitor progress.	The RDN online Monitoring Program is updated annually following the release of the RGS Annual Report. www.rdn.bc.ca/rgs-annual-reports
	Develop a Corporate Implementation Strategy to show how RDN activities are consistent with RGS.	Ongoing.
1. Climate Change	Complete the Community Energy & Emissions Plan.	Completed in 2013.
	Proceed with the Sea Level Rise Adaptation Program.	Completed coastal flood hazard mapping in 2019.
2. Environmental Protection	Advocate for provincial and federal government support to update and maintain SEI databases.	Ongoing.
	Encourage the Province to regulate groundwater, require reporting on water use and protect water resources on a watershed basis.	Under the new <i>Water Sustainability Act</i> , licenses for groundwater are now required for larger water users. The RDN will continue to advocate for regulations that come out of the Act to protect water resources on a watershed basis.
3. Land Use & Mobility	Initiate discussions with provincial and federal transportation authorities to share data collection and analysis and to prepare mobility strategies.	Ongoing.
	Prepare Industrial Land Supply and Demand study and strategy (also applies to Goal 7).	Industrial Lands Study completed Spring in 2013.
4. Housing & Jobs	Prepare region-wide Rural Village Centres Study.	Rural Village Centres Study completed in Spring 2013. Update of report to be determined.
5. Rural Integrity	Policy 5.13: Implementation - Study options for more sustainable forms of subdivision to limit sprawl and fragmentation on rural residential land.	Completed October 2012. Integrated into official community plans as they are updated.

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6. Affordable Housing	Identify next steps to addressing affordable housing issues.	Launched Regional Housing Needs Report process.
7. Vibrant, Resilient Economy	Support and encourage economic development.	Completed feasibility assessment for creating a regional economic development service.
	Collaborate in the preparation of a regional industrial land supply strategy, and ensure that the region remains competitive in its ability to attract industrial development.	Industrial Lands Study completed Spring 2013.
	Collaborate in the preparation of a commercial (retail and office) Land strategy to ensure that the supply, location, distribution, form and type of commercial development is consistent with the sustainability and growth management objectives of the RGS and supports the continued vitality of the sector.	To be initiated.
8. Food Security	Prepare study of agriculture in the region to identify issues of the present and future needs of the agricultural sector.	Regional Agriculture Inventory completed in 2012.
		Continue work on Area F Inventory Update for Official Community Plan review.
	Prepare Agricultural Area Plan Implementation.	Participating in Vancouver Island Agricultural Adaptation Study.
		Emergency Livestock Evacuation Plan approved in 2013.
Prepare Agricultural Area Plan Implementation.	Bylaw 500 and Policy Update project completed in 2016.	
	Rural Area Guide completed in 2016.	
	Agricultural Area Plan completed in 2012; Action Plan completed in November 2013.	
Prepare Agricultural Area Plan Implementation.	Bylaw 500 and 1285 amendments for Gathering for Events in Agricultural Land Reserve completed in 2018.	



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9. Pride of Place	Ongoing activities through implementation and development of parks plans and official community plans.	<p>Cedar Main Street Plan adopted in 2013.</p> <p>Nanaimo Cultural Plan adopted in 2014 and now being implemented.</p> <p>RDN Community Parks and Trails Guidelines approved in 2014.</p> <p>RDN Community Parks and Trails Strategy for Electoral Areas E, F, G and 'H' approved in 2014.</p> <p>Qualicum Beach Cultural Plan completed in 2012 with ongoing implementation.</p> <p>Adopted Electoral Area H Official Community Plan in 2017.</p> <p>Continue work on Electoral Area F Official Community Plan.</p> <p>Commence Bylaw 500 Review and Update Project.</p>
10. Efficient Services	Prepare strategy for servicing Rural Village Centres (See Goal 4).	Will be pursued for different Rural Village Centres as funding permits.
11. Cooperation Among Jurisdictions	Continue outreach initiatives to First Nations including signing of protocol.	<p>First handy DART servicing agreement signed between Snaw-Naw-As and RDN in 2013.</p> <p>Continued First Nations education and training for RDN staff.</p>