

Schedule G: Regional Context Statement

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The District of Lillooet Regional Context Statement Table of Correspondence identifies the relationship between the District OCP and the SLRD RGS strategic directions.

The Table of Correspondence includes a summary of the SLRD RGS strategic directions for each of the eleven goals and identifies the specific OCP objectives and policies* which are aligned with the strategic directions as either supporting or implementing policies. In some cases, the entire OCP policy is included, in other cases a summary of the policy is provided. District OCP objectives and policies are preceded by the section number corresponding to the OCP numbering system.

****OCP objectives and policies listed as aligned with RGS Strategic Directions are conditional on final adoption of the OCP by Lillooet Council.***

SLRD RGS Strategic Directions	OCP Objectives and Policies Aligned with RGS Strategic Directions
GOAL 1: Focus Development into Compact, Complete, Sustainable Communities	
<p>Support compact development within Urban Areas, Master-Planned Communities, and Serviced Residential and Rural Communities; Maintain the rural, low density character of Serviced Residential and Rural Residential Areas, and protect and maintain Non-Settlement Areas.</p> <p>Develop a regional multi-modal transportation plan that addresses current and proposed growth.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus growth within the District’s Growth Priority Area and keep the developed area of Lillooet compact. • Carefully control the size of the serviced area to manage infrastructure costs and avoid sprawl and its associated impacts. • Ensure any development of new areas in the District takes place in a sequence that supports long term financial sustainability and greenhouse gas reduction goals. • Explore the use of financial incentives (variable fees and development cost charges) to shape patterns of development including encouraging “infill development” that can utilize existing infrastructure capacity. • Update the Downtown Design Guidelines to enhance the form & character, sustainability, and active transportation environment of Downtown. In doing so, revise the existing guidelines to reflect a more modern (less theme-based) aesthetic. • Encourage building setbacks, modestly-scaled infill development in residential neighbourhoods (especially those close to downtown) while providing appropriate transitions in density. Apply fencing and buffer requirements to all lands adjacent to the ALR, not only land that is actively farmed. • Utilize existing capacity within District infrastructure (rather than build new infrastructure) wherever possible and upgrade infrastructure for efficiency, durability and resilience to climate change. <p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to concentrate commercial and administrative uses within the Downtown Core on properties having direct access to Main Street.

- Create a new Downtown Plan that supports new housing opportunities, encourages local, independent business, local culture and entertainment, and enhances the vitality of the public realm.

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- Continue to support the development of secondary suites and garden suites on Urban Residential properties.
- Increase the quantity, affordability and diversity of homes in and around the downtown by encouraging housing infill and intensification within the Urban Residential area.

Section 4.4

- Reduce transportation related GHG emissions by encouraging development that minimizes distances people must travel to access essential needs and services to promote active modes of transportation.

Section 4.5

- Identify and protect environmentally sensitive and significant areas, including riparian zones, wetlands and rare or significant upland terrestrial ecosystems and habitats.
- Establish Environmental Development Permit Areas to protect sensitive and significant ecosystems.

Section 4.6

- Identify lands that are available for acquisition and support St'át'imc communities in land acquisition for housing and economic development.

Section 4.7

- Enhance trail connectivity and work towards creating a complete, comfortable, enjoyable cycling and pedestrian trail network. Preference should be given for trails that form greenways by linking neighbourhoods, connecting existing parks, and protecting important natural boundaries and areas of recreational importance
- Encourage public transportation initiatives and business opportunities to link communities (St'át'imc, Goldbridge, Kamloops, Whistler, Lytton, Pemberton).
- Support rail transportation throughout the region for local movement of people and goods. The District can explore opportunities to partner with other municipalities and First Nation communities along the rail line to promote community operation of the rail network, or to promote and work towards a Rails-to-Trails system conversion which would provide both locals and visitors an avenue to travel and recreate in a climate friendly way.
- Advocate to BC Transit to provide accessible transit for those with mobility limitations.

Section 4.8

- Consider the potential for adaptive reuse of older buildings instead of new development where feasible.
- Consider the potential for adaptive reuse of older buildings through opportunities for grants or funding.

<p>a) Strongly encourage compact, mixed use developments that allow for minimized use of vehicles and encourage walking, cycling and the use of public transit.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus growth within the District’s Growth Priority Area and keep the developed area of Lillooet compact. • Carefully control the size of the serviced area to manage infrastructure costs and avoid sprawl and its associated impacts. • Explore the use of financial incentives (variable fees and development cost charges) to shape patterns of development including encouraging “infill development” that can utilize existing infrastructure capacity. • Update the Downtown Design Guidelines to enhance the form & character, sustainability, and active transportation environment of Downtown. In doing so, revise the existing guidelines to reflect a more modern (less theme-based) aesthetic. <p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to concentrate commercial and administrative uses within the Downtown Core on properties having direct access to Main Street. • Create a new Downtown Plan that supports new housing opportunities, encourages local, independent business, local culture and entertainment and enhances the vitality of the public realm. <p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the quantity, affordability and diversity of homes in and around the downtown by encouraging housing infill and intensification within the Urban Residential area. <p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce transportation related GHG emissions by encouraging development that minimizes distances people must travel to access essential needs and services to promote active modes of transportation. <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance trail connectivity and work towards creating a complete, comfortable, enjoyable cycling and pedestrian trail network. Preference should be given for trails that form greenways by linking neighbourhoods, connecting existing parks, and protecting important natural boundaries and areas of recreational importance • Enhance and expand pedestrian infrastructure, including sidewalks, seating, lighting, public art and tree canopies. • Develop a pedestrian plan that speaks to people with mobility issues when considering new sidewalks along main corridors in the downtown. • Identify and create safe routes to school by implementing traffic calming, trails and crosswalk upgrades. • Design and build streets and public spaces that are safe for children and older adults.
<p>b) Consider a model for the provision of regional transit services.</p>	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage public transportation initiatives and business opportunities to link communities (St’át’imc, Goldbridge, Kamloops, Whistler, Lytton, Pemberton). • Support rail transportation throughout the region for local movement of people and goods. The District can explore opportunities to partner with other municipalities and First Nation communities along the rail line to promote community operation of the rail network, or to promote and work

	towards a Rails-to-Trails system conversion which would provide both locals and visitors an avenue to travel and recreate in a climate friendly way.
d) Support the development, implementation and integration of member municipality Active/Alternative/ Preferred Modes of Transportation Plans.	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a trails and recreation master plan to support trail network, maintenance and signage. • Recognize that Main Street is a key corridor in the Bicycle Master Plan and the District encourages development of a safe bicycle route through the downtown. • Encourage public transportation initiatives and business opportunities to link communities (St'át'imc, Goldbridge, Kamloops, Whistler, Lytton, Pemberton). • Develop a pedestrian plan that speaks to people with mobility issues when considering new sidewalks along main corridors in the downtown
e) Encourage the continued development of trails and bicycle routes.	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand and improve the bicycle network and associated infrastructure. • Consider a bike and mobility scooter lane for greater downtown and community connectivity. • Mandate that new business developments install secure bike racks and encourage existing businesses to provide secure bike racks and storage. • Require bicycle parking in commercial, institutional, public, recreational, and multi-unit residential buildings. • Implement the Lillooet Bicycle Network Plan and develop road network components to support a bicycle network and to promote bicycling as a commuting alternative to the automobile and as a means of active recreation.
RGS GOAL 3: Generate a Range of Quality Affordable Housing	
a) Establish collaborative and consistent affordable housing policies, targets and tools to generate an adequate supply of quality affordable housing and a diversity of housing types for employees, seniors and people in need in the region.	<p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider the findings of the Lillooet Housing Needs Assessment (forthcoming report) and develop additional policies and actions to address the needs identified. • Increase the quantity, affordability and diversity of homes in and around the downtown by encouraging housing infill and intensification within the Urban Residential area. • Encourage the development of housing and additional supports geared towards the specific needs of seniors and those with intellectual and physical disabilities. • Encourage good design and management of mobile home sites to ensure livability, sustainability and aesthetics. Mobile homes are recognized as an important component of affordable housing in Lillooet and will only be permitted on designated mobile home sites. • Encourage the partial or complete redevelopment of mobile home parks to include affordable, small-scale housing on permanent sites. • The District will investigate opportunities for the acquisition of properties for the purposes of affordable housing developments/partnerships • The District will consider the implementation of rental tenure zoning within walking distance of Downtown amenities.

<p>b) Adopt policies and regulations that support live-work studio space, mixed-use neighbourhoods, and a variety of residential intensification strategies such as allowing secondary suites, providing for 'flex housing' (a multi-unit built form designed for adaptability of units to accommodate changing family size and needs over time), encouraging infill housing and small lot development, density bonusing and other tools that will support housing affordability.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore the use of financial incentives (such as lower fees and development cost charges) to shape patterns of development including encouraging "infill development" that can utilize existing infrastructure capacity. • Encourage building setbacks (i.e., minimum distances for setbacks for intensive agricultural operations), modestly-scaled infill development in residential neighbourhoods (especially those close to downtown) while providing appropriate transitions in density. Apply fencing and buffer requirements to all lands adjacent to the ALR, not only land that is actively farmed. <p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support home-based businesses including intensive (small-scale light industrial and commercial food production) uses outside the Priority Growth area. • Create a new Downtown Plan that supports new housing opportunities, encourages local, independent business, local culture and entertainment, and enhances the vitality of the public realm. <p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to support the development of secondary suites and garden suites on Urban Residential properties. • Increase the quantity, affordability and diversity of homes in and around the downtown by encouraging housing infill and intensification within the Urban Residential area.
<p>c) Encourage affordable housing self-help initiatives by community organizations and individuals to maintain and/or increase the supply of affordable housing.</p>	<p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage forms of shared housing development such as co-housing and co-operatives. These types of residential buildings are made up of private units that all have access to a shared or common space.
<p>d) Adopt financial tools that will assist in the delivery of accessible family housing and seniors housing</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage the development of housing and additional supports geared towards the specific needs of seniors and those with intellectual and physical disabilities. <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider partnering with the Provincial Government and Regional Health Authority to pursue opportunities for extended intermediate or specialized care facilities in Lillooet. The need for these services will continue to grow as the population ages in B.C. and Lillooet provides affordable opportunities for new services
<p>e) Adopt, as appropriate, deed-restricted price, resale control, rent geared to income and other options to increase the supply of affordable housing and create housing that remains affordable in perpetuity.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage the development of housing and additional supports geared towards the specific needs of seniors and those with intellectual and physical disabilities. <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider partnering with the Provincial Government and Regional Health Authority to pursue opportunities for extended intermediate or specialized care facilities in Lillooet. The need for these services will continue to grow as the population ages in B.C. and Lillooet provides affordable opportunities for new services

f) Encourage cooperation with community service groups and private developers to supply low-cost housing options for seniors	<p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage the development of housing and additional supports geared towards the specific needs of seniors and those with intellectual and physical disabilities. <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider partnering with the Provincial Government and Regional Health Authority to pursue opportunities for extended intermediate or specialized care facilities in Lillooet. The need for these services will continue to grow as the population ages in B.C. and Lillooet provides affordable opportunities for new services.
g) Encourage housing models that provide security of tenure and support infill priorities, such as cooperative housing, cohousing, pocket neighbourhoods, etc.	<p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage forms of shared housing development such as co-housing and co-operatives. These types of residential buildings are made up of private units that all have access to a shared or common space.
h) Work collaboratively to address impacts of short-term nightly rentals and home "sharing" on housing supply. This will be pursued through bylaw enforcement, business licences, exploring the use of property rental programs matching business owners with property owners for workforce housing and targeted communications and outreach efforts.	<p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The District will support secondary suites and garden suites on Urban Residential properties for a low rental availability market.
i) Work together as a region on initiatives with the Province to deliver affordable resident housing, such as: acquisition of community land banks for housing; authority to levy employee housing works and services charges; and project funding and financing.	<p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All policies in this section support this RGS goal area.
RGS GOAL 4: Achieve a Sustainable Economy	
a) Support diversified and sustainable economic growth and productivity.	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support opportunities to expand the agri-tourism industry. Encourage the development of a business incubator space to support local businesses and non-profits.
b) Strengthen the multi-modal transportation systems as a key component of economic diversification.	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore partnership with the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure (MOTI) to plan and establish a transportation network, which supports economic development and promotes safe and efficient pedestrian and vehicular traffic circulation.
d) Support the downtown of each member municipality as the priority area for commercial uses. This will be pursued by encouraging revitalization and densification of the downtown of each member municipality (the member municipality's commercial and social hub), directing new commercial development to the downtown of each member municipality, protecting	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to concentrate commercial and administrative uses within the Downtown Core on properties having direct access to Main Street. Require that new development will be a minimum height of two storeys and a maximum height of six storeys within the downtown core area. Create a new Downtown Plan that supports new housing opportunities, encourages local, independent business, local culture and entertainment and enhances the vitality of the public realm.

<p>commercial lands, and planning for the future commercial needs of communities by setting aside lands for future downtown growth and expansion</p>	
<p>e) Provide for land development patterns that maintain an adequate supply of employment land, industrial land, transportation infrastructure and services to support a diverse regional economy.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore opportunities with some of the existing industrial landowners in the Priority Growth Area to intensify their land uses and/or to identify lands that may be surplus to their needs and can be made available for new uses (e.g., railway lands and road maintenance yards).
<p>g) Support urban growth and revitalization efforts in Lillooet to expand the range of opportunities for community development beyond the Sea to Sky corridor, and to further encourage smart growth policies adopted in RGS Goal 1 ‘Compact, Complete, Sustainable Communities’. This will be pursued by sub-regional economic development initiatives and updating of the Lillooet Official Community Plan and transportation improvements in conjunction with the Ministry of Transportation and the St’át’imc.</p>	<p><i>(District of Lillooet only)</i></p> <p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with St’át’imc communities on economic development strategies and planning. • Identify lands that are available for acquisition and support St’át’imc communities in land acquisition for housing and economic development. • Support and enhance existing servicing partnerships with T’it’q’et and Cayoose and encourage the development of future partnerships with neighbouring St’át’imc communities and their members. <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore partnership with the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure (MOTI) to plan and establish a transportation network, which supports economic development and promotes safe and efficient pedestrian and vehicular traffic circulation.
<p>h) Support the preservation of waterfront facilities and port lands in the District of Squamish</p>	<p><i>Not applicable to the District of Lillooet OCP</i></p>
<p>i) Support the economic viability of the local agricultural sector. This will be pursued by developing regulations that strengthen the capacity of local farmers to produce and reach their markets and highlighting/recognizing the importance of agriculture to the region’s economy in decision-making.</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement recommendations to address priority, short-term and long-term actions listed in the SLRD Electoral Area B, District of Lillooet and St’át’imc Agricultural Plan. • Support structures and programs that enhance and celebrate local agriculture such as agricultural cooperatives or Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs. • Not support cannabis growing or cannabis processing outside of ALR land, except for lands specifically zoned for that use. The District’s regulatory authority only encompasses commercial growing on Agricultural or Industrial lands. Cannabis should only be grown on ALR land, and regulated to the maximum authority under the ALCA. • Recognize agriculture as an economic growth opportunity and support more intensive use of agricultural lands within the Agriculture designation in accordance with ALC policy. • Explore opportunities to research and promote new agricultural opportunities that can add value to local agricultural products.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage projects providing opportunities for local food production. Examples include rooftop gardens, edible landscapes, community gardens or greenhouses. • Encourage landowners that are not using farmland to connect with potential food growers. • Support community food gardens on appropriate parcels of vacant or undeveloped municipal land. • Encourage not-for-profit organizations related to agriculture & food security (such as Lillooet Food Matters and Lillooet Agriculture & Food Society) to implement outreach and education programs that encourage promote improved food security for local households. • Encourage collaborative local food initiatives such as a food hub, co-operative cold storage facilities and community kitchen.
<p>k) Work together to encourage outdoor recreation tourism, recognizing its importance to the regional economy, while at the same time working to ensure growth in this sector is aligned with the regional carrying capacity.</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the development of diverse camping and tourist amenities and attractions that fit with Lillooet’s evolving brand and reputation as a centre of outdoor recreation, and a centre of BC history. • Support increased accommodation for visitors within walking distance of the downtown. This may include campsites, hotels, motels, short-term vacation rentals. However, the number of accommodation units may be limited by the District. • Promote tourism that celebrates and respects St’át’imc history, arts and culture. • Support opportunities to expand the agri-tourism industry.
<p>RGS GOAL 5: Protect Natural Ecosystem Functioning</p>	
<p>b) Promote Best Management Practices, including bylaws that encourage development design that limits environmental impact and promotes integrated storm water management, to manage surface water, drainage and groundwater to protect the supply and quality of water resources.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the Downtown Design Guidelines to enhance the form & character, sustainability and active transportation environment of Downtown. In doing so, revise the existing guidelines to reflect a more modern (less theme-based) aesthetic. • Work with developers and others to support adequate infrastructure to support new development, including the use of green infrastructure options where appropriate. • Utilize existing capacity within District infrastructure (rather than build new infrastructure) wherever possible and upgrade infrastructure for efficiency, durability and resilience to climate change. <p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider a community-wide approach to energy and emissions planning by preparing a Community and Corporate Energy and Emissions Plan as funding is available. <p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply a “Municipal Natural Assets” (MNA) lens to our local infrastructure
<p>d) Strive for continuous improvement of regional air quality.</p>	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create an anti-idling bylaw to reduce unnecessary idling, reducing fossil fuel consumption, GHG emissions and air pollution. • Encourage proposals for renewable energy technologies that are compatible with sound practices of land use and protection of the natural environment. • Strive for continuous improvement of regional air quality.

<p>e) Strive toward achieving the SLRD SWRMP goal of reducing waste to 350kgs per person per year and further progress towards Zero Waste.</p>	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore waste to energy options as it relates to agriculture, forest sector and municipal waste. However, do not support biomass-based energy facilities that use whole trees as fuel-stock. • Support Regional and Provincial Government goals and initiatives for waste recycling, reduction and reuse. • Work with the SLRD towards a mutual objective of waste reduction by encouraging local initiatives for waste reduction, recycling and reuse. This may include education initiatives and a review of user fees to provide incentives to minimize waste production. • Consider a curbside pick-up, recycling, and organic composting program.
<p>f) Take an active approach to responsible vegetation management, including, where appropriate, consideration of alternatives to herbicides in rights-of-way maintenance, and cost-effective measures to control the spread of noxious weeds and alien invasive species. This will be pursued by promoting alternatives to chemical treatments; enforcing SLRD and member municipality Soil Deposit and Removal bylaws; supporting the works of the Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council and Lillooet Regional Invasive Species Society; and investigating the introduction of a noxious weed bylaw and awareness program (e.g. restricting fill movements, etc.).</p>	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support federal and provincial government actions and recommendations for the conservation of threatened, endangered, and extirpated species found within the District. The District can use the Green Bylaws Toolkit⁵ to develop long-term strategies, through Development Permit Area guidelines for example, for protecting sensitive ecosystems and the integrity of wildlife habitat. • Remove invasive plants and take measures to prevent their spread in accordance with best management practices or the recommendation of a qualified environmental professional. <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a trails and recreation master plan to support trail network, maintenance, and signage, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prioritize walk and bike lanes around the two bridges; ○ Upgrade LIONS trail (invasive weed removal, trail improvement, signage) and obtain easements from properties that the trail trespasses over; ○ Enhance Old Bridge walk; and, ○ Enhance Seton Corridor trail system from Fraser River to Seton Lake.
<p>g) Encourage community involvement and stewardship efforts, including the adoption of Bear Smart programs at the local level, and habitat conservation, restoration and enhancement. This will be pursued through discussions with federal and provincial agencies and local conservation organizations.</p>	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All policies in this section support this RGS goal area.
<p>i) Protect Drinking Water Supplies (quality and quantity). This will be pursued through proactive land use management and planning, in conjunction with provincial agencies, health authorities and First Nations, and including the identification of future potential sources and maintenance of existing sources.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outline OCP policies that protect drinking water supplies. <p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage drought tolerant and waterwise landscaping (e.g., xeriscaping) and indoor water conservation in new developments. • Promote water conservation strategies (e.g., low irrigation landscaping and rainwater management) and encourage developers to support these strategies. • Explore opportunities to enable the use of non-potable water (i.e., greywater, rainwater) for irrigation purposes. • Continue to investigate the implementation of metered residential water.

	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete a Watershed Mapping and Planning process to identify actions to protect our watersheds. • Update the Water Conservation Strategy to include integrated rainwater management practices. • Support public awareness and education initiatives about water conservation. • Encourage drip irrigation systems for home-based and public gardens.
<p>RGS GOAL 6: Encourage the Sustainable Use of Parks and Natural Areas</p>	
<p>a) Support the retention, continued operation and potential expansion of existing provincial parks as recreational and natural areas and support adventure tourism activities that are appropriate to the long-term goals of the park.</p>	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a trails and recreation master plan to support trail network, maintenance and signage. • Enhance trail connectivity and work towards creating a complete, comfortable, enjoyable cycling and pedestrian trail network.
<p>f) Continue to support local, voluntary organizations in stewardship of recreational areas and natural assets.</p>	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support public awareness and education initiatives about water conservation
<p>e) Support the management of access points to parks and natural areas within the SLRD to identify key access points, new opportunities, management strategies and important infrastructure enhancements, with an emphasis on addressing capacity issues in high-use areas.</p>	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance trail connectivity and work towards creating a complete, comfortable, enjoyable cycling and pedestrian trail network. Preference should be given for trails that form greenways by linking neighbourhoods, connecting existing parks, and protecting important natural boundaries and areas of recreational importance. • Support and encourage the development of public-private partnerships to create new parks and trails and/or enhance existing ones. • Encourage the joint development of neighbourhood and community parks and schools.
<p>RGS GOAL 7: Create Healthy and Safe Communities</p>	
<p>b) Ensure land use planning encourages the development of healthy, compact and walkable communities that promote safety through environmental design and Smart Growth Principles, natural hazards and environmental contaminants protection and FireSmart principles, and provisions for seniors and universal, accessible design.</p>	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and maintain a wildfire development permit area to protect people, and buildings from wildfire risk. • Encourage and educate homeowners about fire-smart practices <p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance and expand pedestrian infrastructure, including sidewalks, seating, lighting, public art and tree canopies. • Develop a pedestrian plan that speaks to people with mobility issues when considering new sidewalks along main corridors in the downtown. • Identify and create safe routes to school by implementing traffic calming, trails and crosswalk upgrades. • Ensure new or retrofitted buildings and infrastructure are accessible to people with mobility challenges. • Design and build streets and public spaces that are safe for children and older adults.
<p>d) Encourage a well-functioning system of volunteerism that recognizes and acknowledges the ongoing contributions of those who improve our communities'</p>	<p>The OCP Vision recognizes and articulates importance community involvement</p>

well-being.	
e) Work in conjunction with appropriate local agencies and vulnerable, at-risk populations.	<p>Section 4.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue supporting with the Regional Health Authority to maintain strong regional health services in Lillooet. • Consider partnering with the Provincial Government and Regional Health Authority to pursue opportunities for extended intermediate or specialized care facilities in Lillooet. The need for these services will continue to grow as the population ages in B.C. and Lillooet provides affordable opportunities for new services.
f) Support the development of infrastructure / recreational trail and greenway systems that link communities with regional parks.	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15. Develop a Parks or Greenspace Master Plan including trails, green spaces, and natural areas that exist within proximity of District of Lillooet residents. • 16. Work towards maintaining or increasing the overall amount of green space within the District by establishing land acquisition policies, restoring degraded land, and requiring park land or green space at the time of subdivision.
RGS GOAL 8: Enhance Relations with Indigenous Communities and First Nations	
a) Support processes that advocate the fair and timely resolution of Aboriginal Title and rights for all Indigenous communities and First Nations within whose traditional territory the SLRD is located.	<p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All policies in this section are founded on meaningful and ongoing Reconciliation.
c) Engage with Indigenous communities and First Nations on the development and implementation of official community plans, zoning bylaws and the RGS shall be encouraged and proceed without prejudice to any Aboriginal Title and rights that may currently exist, or be further defined through treaty or other processes.	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognize the need to ensure access to adjacent First Nation reserves is provided when subdivisions are authorized <p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include St'át'imc in facilities planning and management (e.g., preventing placement of playgrounds on top of burial sites). • Consult St'át'imc communities regarding a native plant palette for development projects and public landscaping. • Support and enhance existing servicing partnerships with T'it'q'et and Cayoose and encourage the development of future partnerships with neighbouring St'át'imc communities and their members.
d) Encourage First Nations to engage with local governments on the development of their land use plans.	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage public access to natural areas where warranted to protect environmental qualities in partnership with St'át'imc communities. <p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with St'át'imc communities on economic development strategies and planning.
e) Continue using tools, such as Protocol / Implementation Agreements and MOUs, with all interested First Nations in the Region to assist with improving relationships.	<p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with St'át'imc communities on economic development strategies and planning. • Include St'át'imc in facilities planning and management (e.g., preventing placement of playgrounds on top of burial sites). • Consult St'át'imc communities regarding a native plant palette for development projects and public landscaping.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and enhance existing servicing partnerships with T'it'q'et and Cayoose and encourage the development of future partnerships with neighbouring St'át'imc communities and their members. • Support co-ownership of public buildings with the St'át'imc Nation. • Partner with St'át'imc communities to explore co-ownership of the REC Centre.
f) Support an ongoing process of information sharing and mutual learning to increase understanding, build trust, and foster collaboration.	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with St'át'imc communities for monitoring, data collection, and studies on natural areas, biodiversity and natural resources. <p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify lands that are available for acquisition and support St'át'imc communities in land acquisition for housing and economic development. • Work with St'át'imc communities to enhance protocols for identifying and preserving archaeological and culturally significant sites, ancestral remains and artefacts.
g) Encourage opportunities to learn about the many First Nations and Indigenous communities within whose traditional territory the SLRD operates	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage developers to incorporate elements of heritage and culture into new District infrastructure, landscaping and building projects (e.g., public art, historic artifacts, naturally sourced materials). Respectful display of indigenous culture, in collaboration with the northern St'át'imc communities and artists is encouraged. <p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote tourism that celebrates and respects St'át'imc history, arts and culture. <p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote public education on local St'át'imc history, traditions and traditional use of territory. • Ensure St'át'imc history is properly recorded and shared appropriately. • Support public educational and cultural events hosted by St'át'imc communities. • Work with St'át'imc communities to identify opportunities and best practices to incorporate art and culture into public projects. This may include commissioning local St'át'imc art in buildings, totems and public spaces. • Include the St'át'imc language on District signage (e.g., for parks, buildings, trails). • Enable, allow and educate general public about Indigenous harvesting of traditional plants and medicines in District parks and greenspaces. <p>Section 4.8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with St'át'imc to incorporate art, history and interpretive signage into projects that have a public dimension.
RGS GOAL 9: Improve Collaboration among Jurisdictions	
b) Encourage SLRD and member municipality staff departments (administration, planning, finance, engineering, etc.) to develop mechanisms by which they may share information, collaborate and co-operate.	<p>Section 1.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Regional Context Statement articulates the commitment to cross-jurisdictional collaboration and alignment.
c) Establish MOU's, protocol agreements and working committees between various jurisdictions (i.e., local, regional, First	<p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with St'át'imc communities on economic development strategies and planning.

<p>Nation, provincial and federal, health authorities) to improve collaboration and coordination</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and enhance existing servicing partnerships with T'it'q'et and Cayoose and encourage the development of future partnerships with neighbouring St'át'imc communities and their members.
<p>RGS GOAL 10: Protect and Enhance Food Systems</p>	
<p>a) Implement Agricultural Plans in conjunction with Indigenous communities and First Nations, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Agricultural Land Commission</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement recommendations to address priority, short-term and long-term actions listed in the SLRD Electoral Area B, District of Lillooet and St'át'imc Agricultural Plan.
<p>b) Preserve the agricultural land base for sustainable agriculture.</p>	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preserve existing ALR land and work to minimize conflicts between agricultural and other land use in Zoning Bylaw regulation
<p>c) Promote agricultural viability with an emphasis on food production and sustainable practices.</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognize agriculture as an economic growth opportunity and support more intensive use of agricultural lands within the Agriculture designation (e.g., processing). • Explore opportunities to research and promote new agricultural opportunities that can add value to local agricultural products. • Encourage farming operations to comply with the following regulations and guidelines as administered by the Province of BC.
<p>d) Strengthen regional connections with community-based food initiatives and organizations</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support structures and programs that enhance and celebrate local agriculture such as agricultural cooperatives or Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs. • Encourage not-for-profit organizations related to agriculture & food security (such as Lillooet Food Matters and Lillooet Agriculture & Food Society) to implement outreach and education programs that encourage improved food security for local households. • Encourage collaborative local food initiatives such as a food hub, co-operative cold storage facilities and community kitchen.
<p>e) Explore options for local governments to champion Agricultural Land Trusts, in which land is purchased for community food growing and protected in perpetuity as an investment in long-term food security.</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support local and regional farmers in adopting sustainable, and climate adaptive forms of agricultural practices, such as regenerative agriculture.
<p>f) Encourage urban agriculture and ensure the ability to grow and access food is part of developing complete communities.</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage projects providing opportunities for local food production. Examples include rooftop gardens, edible landscapes, community gardens or greenhouses. • Encourage landowners that are not using farmland to connect with potential food growers. • Support community food gardens on appropriate parcels of vacant or undeveloped municipal land. • Support household food growing on private properties. • Support bear awareness initiatives and education related to household food growing.

g) Support opportunities to educate, increase awareness and celebrate local food systems.	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage collaborative local food initiatives such as a food hub, co-operative cold storage facilities and community kitchen. • Continue to support Lillooet Farmers Market and seek opportunities for expansion to indoor space during shoulder seasons.
RGS GOAL 11: Take Action on Climate Change	
a) Adopt Provincial GHG reduction targets.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strive to meet the Provincial Clean BC GHG reduction targets and encourage community involvement in GHG reduction initiatives. These include reducing greenhouse gas emissions 40% below 2007 levels by 2030, 60% below 2007 levels by 2040 and 80% below 2007 levels by 2050. 2007 is a standard emissions baseline year that many governments use.
b) Maintain status as BC Climate Action Charter signatories.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently completing CARIP reporting as a BC Climate Action Charter signatory.
c) Explore the development of climate change adaptation and mitigation plans and options to measure, monitor, evaluate and report on communityGHG emissions.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider a community-wide approach to energy and emissions planning by preparing a Community and Corporate Energy and Emissions Plan as funding is available.
<p>e) Substantially reduce GHG emissions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. from mobile sources ii. from stationary sources iii. associated with solid waste management 	<p>Section 4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus growth within the existing municipal boundaries and keep the developed area of Lillooet compact. • Ensure any development of new areas in the District takes place in a sequence that supports long term financial sustainability and greenhouse gas reduction goals. • Update the Downtown Design Guidelines to enhance the form & character, sustainability and active transportation environment of Downtown. • Utilize existing capacity within District infrastructure (rather than build new infrastructure) wherever possible and upgrade infrastructure for efficiency, durability and resilience to climate change. <p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to concentrate commercial and administrative uses within the Downtown Core on properties having direct access to Main Street. <p>Section 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the quantity, affordability and diversity of homes in and around the downtown by encouraging housing infill and intensification within the Urban Residential area. • Encourage innovations in housing design, sustainable housing and landscape design. <p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate the ownership and use of electric vehicles (EV) by increasing the number of EV charging stations with the District and increase signage for them. • Create an anti-idling bylaw to reduce unnecessary idling, reducing fossil fuel consumption, GHG emissions and air pollution.

- Reduce transportation related GHG emissions by encouraging development that minimizes distances people must travel to access essential needs and services to promote active modes of transportation.
- Support Regional and Provincial Government goals and initiatives for waste recycling, reduction and reuse.
- Work with the SLRD towards a mutual objective of waste reduction by encouraging local initiatives for waste reduction, recycling and reuse. This may include education initiatives and a review of user fees to provide incentives to minimize waste production.
- Consider a curbside pick-up, recycling, and organic composting program.
- Encourage downtown businesses to implement recycling programs.
- Inform developers of BC Step Code standards to encourage higher energy efficient development.
- Encourage builders and developers to consider innovative and sustainable housing design and architecture and exceed the requirements of the Step Code by applying sustainable building and development standards (e.g., LEED, Living Building Standards, Passive House standards)
- Encourage the retrofitting of existing buildings and infrastructure for increased energy efficiency and fuel switching (fossil fuels to renewables) to improve thermal comfort, reduce energy costs and reduce GHG emissions.

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- Enhance and expand pedestrian infrastructure, including sidewalks, seating, lighting, public art and tree canopies.
- Develop a pedestrian plan that speaks to people with mobility issues when considering new sidewalks along main corridors in the downtown.
- Expand and improve the bicycle network and associated infrastructure.
- Recognize that Main Street is a key corridor in the Bicycle Master Plan and the District encourages development of a safe bicycle route through the downtown.
- Consider a bike and mobility scooter lane on Main Street from Conway Park to Old Mill Plaza.
- Mandate that new business developments install secure bike racks and encourage existing businesses to provide secure bike racks and storage.
- Require bicycle parking in commercial, institutional, public, recreational, and multi-unit residential buildings.
- Implement the Lillooet Bicycle Network Plan and develop road network components to support a bicycle network and to promote bicycling as a commuting alternative to the automobile and as a means of active recreation.
- Encourage public transportation initiatives and business 15. opportunities to link communities (St'át'imc, Goldbridge, Kamloops, Whistler, Lytton, Pemberton).
- Support rail transportation throughout the region for local movement of people and goods. The District can explore opportunities to partner with other municipalities and First Nation communities along the rail line to promote community operation of the rail network, or to promote and work towards a Rails-to-Trails system conversion which would provide both locals and visitors an avenue to travel and recreate in a climate friendly way.
- Explore opportunities to implement a public transportation system that operates locally in Lillooet and between Lillooet and Kamloops.

	<p>Section 4.8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider the potential for adaptive reuse of older buildings instead of new development where feasible. • 10. Consider the potential for adaptive reuse of older buildings through opportunities for grants or funding.
<p>f) Ensure regional/municipal decision-making is structured to achieve GHG reduction targets and energy goals.</p>	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider a community-wide approach to energy and emissions planning by preparing a Community and Corporate Energy and Emissions Plan when funding is available. The planning process will include the following steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ conducting a community-wide inventory of energy use and greenhouse gas emissions; ○ setting or refining GHG reduction targets; and, ○ action planning for the community to identify ways to address energy consumption and greenhouse gas reduction. • Strive to meet the Provincial Clean BC GHG reduction targets and encourage community involvement in GHG reduction initiatives. These include reducing greenhouse gas emissions 40% below 2007 levels by 2030, 60% below 2007 levels by 2040 and 80% below 2007 levels by 2050. 2007 is a standard emissions baseline year that many governments use.
<p>g) Utilize local third party accredited carbon offset programs and explore the creation of locally and/or regionally planned and managed third party accredited carbon credit/trading systems, with potential offsets going towards tangible local projects. This will be pursued by working with community organizations, local governments and provincial agencies/ authorities.</p>	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider a community-wide approach to energy and emissions planning by preparing a Community and Corporate Energy and Emissions Plan when funding is available. The planning process will include the following steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ conducting a community-wide inventory of energy use and greenhouse gas emissions; ○ setting or refining GHG reduction targets; and, ○ action planning for the community to identify ways to address energy consumption and greenhouse gas reduction. • Strive to meet the Provincial Clean BC GHG reduction targets and encourage community involvement in GHG reduction initiatives. These include reducing greenhouse gas emissions 40% below 2007 levels by 2030, 60% below 2007 levels by 2040 and 80% below 2007 levels by 2050. 2007 is a standard emissions baseline year that many governments use.
<p>h) Protect the carbon sequestration value of natural systems, including forested lands and wetlands</p>	<p>Section 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support local and regional farmers in adopting sustainable, and climate adaptive forms of agricultural practices, such as regenerative agriculture. <p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage public and private landowners/managers to maintain, enhance and manage green spaces to sequester carbon and enhance climate change resiliency. • Consider additional green and open space in new development as a Community Amenity Contribution in exchange for additional density or building height.
<p>i) Consider impacts to local community GHG emissions in decision-making around GHG-intensive industries and utilities, LNG, and commercial recreation and leisure operators. This will be pursued</p>	

through development approval and environmental assessment processes and lobbying efforts with provincial and federal government.	
j) Prioritize developing strategies and taking action to reduce personal transport emissions.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate the ownership and use of electric vehicles (EV) by increasing the number of EV charging stations with the District and increase signage for them.
k) Encourage the development and use of renewable energy across the region.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage proposals for renewable energy technologies that are compatible with sound practices of land use and protection of the natural environment. Explore waste to energy options as it relates to agriculture, forest sector and municipal waste. However, do not support biomass-based energy facilities that use whole trees as fuel-stock.
l) Build climate resilience.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify areas or zones of high risk for climate change impacts and work to reduce and mitigate these risks. Support energy equity in climate policy by considering the needs of vulnerable populations who may be unduly affected by climate policies and actions.
m) Plan for climate change. This will be pursued by ensuring new land use, buildings and infrastructure are planned and designed with tomorrow's climate in mind.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify areas or zones of high risk for climate change impacts and work to reduce and mitigate these risks. <p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage landowners to replace trees that are removed due to safety concerns with a variety of species, including native species, subject to considerations of ecological fit as well as susceptibility to pine beetle, fire hazard and other related risks. Review and maintain a wildfire development permit area to protect people, and buildings from wildfire risk.
n) Prepare for extreme weather events, natural hazards and other large-scale emergencies	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify areas or zones of high risk for climate change impacts and work to reduce and mitigate these risks. Maintain updated comprehensive plans for natural disaster preparedness. <p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply a "Municipal Natural Assets" (MNA) lens to our local infrastructure and when funding and planning for infrastructure.
o) Pursue community engagement and consultation opportunities around climate change – with a focus on mitigation and adaptation.	<p>Section 4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support public awareness and education initiatives about water conservation. <p>Section 4.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involve St'át'imc communities in wildlife management projects. Consult St'át'imc communities regarding a native plant palette for development projects and public landscaping. This would include native plants in streetscapes, parks, civic buildings etc.
p) Ensure Climate Action is evidence-based.	<p>Section 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider a community-wide approach to energy and emissions planning by preparing a Community and Corporate Energy and Emissions Plan as funding is available.

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- Partner with St'át'imc communities for monitoring, data collection, and studies on natural areas, biodiversity and natural resources.