



Comprehensive Plan Update Principles

Plan 2015 is Yakima County's Comprehensive Plan and is the official document adopted by the Board of Yakima County Commissioners as a guide to making decisions about the future development of Yakima County (County). The Comprehensive Plan will be updated and referred to as Horizon 2040. It is a legal document with goals and policies and a series of maps, tables, figures, and appendices. Horizon 2040 is required to integrate the community vision throughout each element. This will contribute in the balancing act between the community's financial ability to support growth with its projected increase in population and employment and the need for environmental and natural resources protection. Horizon 2040 is the mandatory update required by the Growth Management Act (GMA) (Revised Code of Washington) [RCW] 36.70A.130 (5) (c)].

Horizon 2040 principles:

- Maintain consistency with the Growth Management Act
- Keep community vision in mind at all times
- Integrate Countywide Planning Policies throughout
- Reduce bulk and preamble
- Organize document to be clear and easy to use
- One document (rather than three volumes)
- Holistic document to include/incorporate all county and sub area related plans
- Capital facility integration
- Maintain relevancy with regular public and municipal interface