

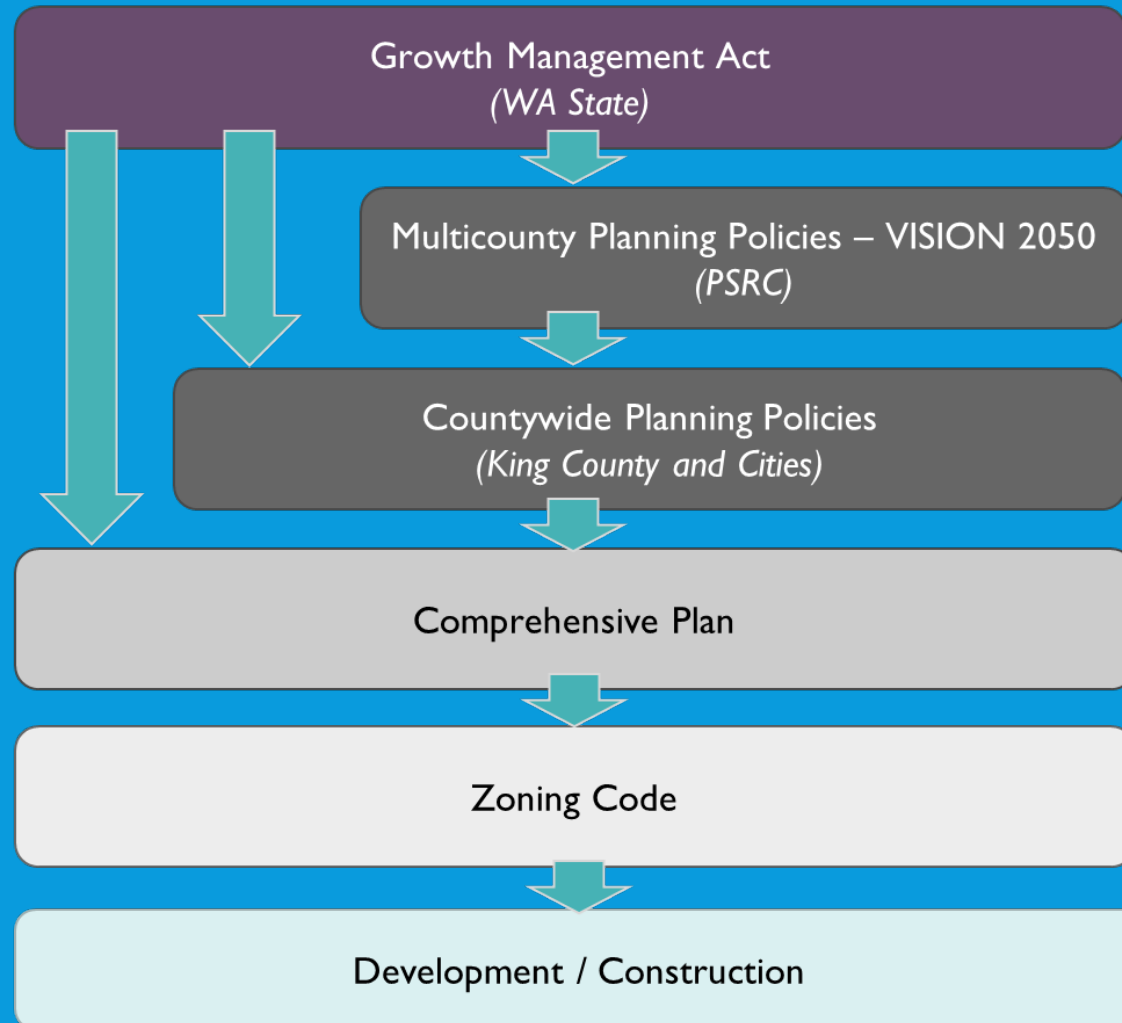
# KING COUNTY COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES & GROWTH TARGETS 1/5/21

*PRESENTATION FOR MERCER ISLAND CITY COUNCIL*

# TONIGHT'S AGENDA

- GMA Overview
- The Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC)
- The Countywide Planning Policies
- Growth Targets
- Schedule

# IMPLEMENTING THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT



# GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL (GMPC)

- Established in 1992 via Interlocal Agreement
- Convened by the King County Executive
- Members representing: King County, City of Seattle, Sound Cities Associations
- Ex-Officio members representing: Special Purpose Districts, School Districts, Port of Seattle
- Oversee the Countywide Planning Policies including: the UGA, Growth Targets, policies for topics of a countywide nature that cross jurisdictional lines
- Make recommendations to the King County Council
- Ratification: after approval and ratification by the King County Council, approval of amendments within 90 days by county & cities representing at least 70% of the population and 30% of those jurisdictions



# ABOUT THE COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES

**Countywide Planning Policies establish:**

**Guidance for the comprehensive plans**

**Urban growth area boundary**

**Criteria for revising growth boundary**

**Growth targets for each jurisdiction**

**Criteria for defining urban centers and manufacturing/industrial centers**

**Policies for issues of a countywide nature**

# WHY UPDATE COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES NOW?

VISION 2050 update + Regional Centers Framework

New growth targets for 2024 Comprehensive Plans

Policy guidance for 2024 Comprehensive Plans

Other policy and legislative changes since 2012

Policy recommendations from GMPC's Affordable Housing Committee

# 2021 COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES: PURPOSE

- Create a statement of countywide agreement on how the Countywide Planning Policies will be updated to guide the development of 2024 comprehensive plans.
- Define the scope and context for the update
- Enable stakeholder engagement

# 2021 COUNTYWIDE PLANNING POLICIES GUIDING PRINCIPLES



Establish a focused scope for review based on the 2012 baseline



Center social equity & health

Integrate regional policy & legislative changes

- VISION 2050
- GMA amendments – e.g. for buildable lands
- ST3 and other regional transit investments
- King County 4:1 Program changes
- Policy recommendations from the GMPC's Affordable Housing Committee



Provide clear, actionable direction for comprehensive plans



Implement RGS with 2044 growth targets that form the land use basis for periodic comprehensive plan updates



## CHAPTER CONCEPTS

- Environment: *Access to healthy environment*
- Development Patterns: *Access to high opportunity areas for all; revise centers criteria*
- Housing: *Create affordable housing in areas with reliable and easy access to job centers*

## CHAPTER CONCEPTS

- Economy: *Prioritize diversity of living-wage jobs*
- Transportation: *Emphasize creating an equitable transportation system that is safe for all users*
- Public Facilities + Services: *Broaden resilience and recovery policy to include an awareness of communications with these communities*

# 2044 GROWTH TARGETS

- Growth Targets Development Process
- Countywide and Regional Geography allocations
- Next Steps

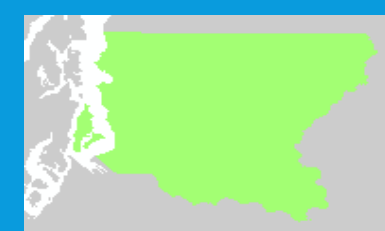
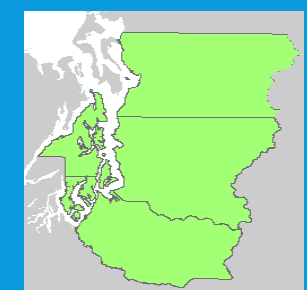
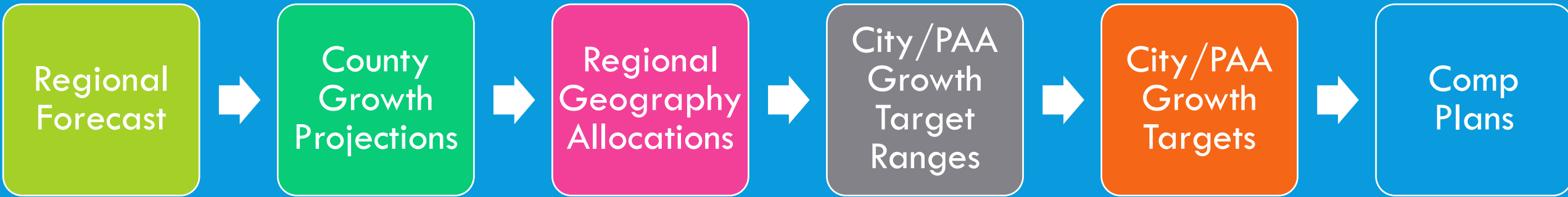
# WHAT ARE GROWTH TARGETS?

- Growth targets are:
  - A policy statement about the amount of housing and jobs each jurisdiction will plan for in 2024 comprehensive plans
  - Part of the Countywide Planning Policies
  - For the urban area only
  - For at least a 20-year period
  - Created collaboratively by all cities and King County



# GROWTH TARGET PROCESS

## Process Steps



## Data Sources

VISION 2050 Regional Growth Strategy

OFM

Pop → HU

County/Local Factors

# GROWTH TARGETS KEY ASSUMPTIONS + PROCESS

## Regional Population and Job Growth 2019-2044:

- Data Source: PSRC Regional Forecast
- Assumptions: Central Puget Sound counties have agreed to use this forecast for growth target setting

|        | Population Growth | Job Growth |
|--------|-------------------|------------|
| Region | 1,321,700         | 884,450    |

# GROWTH TARGETS KEY ASSUMPTIONS + PROCESS

## Countywide **Population and Job Growth** 2019-2044:

- Data Source: County growth share from VISION 2050 Regional Growth Strategy
- Assumptions: Apply growth share to regional forecasted growth 2019-2044

|                    | Population Growth Share | Job Growth Share |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| <b>King County</b> | <b>50%</b>              | <b>59%</b>       |
| Kitsap County      | 5%                      | 5%               |
| Pierce County      | 21%                     | 17%              |
| Snohomish County   | 25%                     | 19%              |

# GROWTH TARGETS KEY ASSUMPTIONS + PROCESS

## Regional Geography **Housing Unit and Job Growth** 2019-2044:

- Data Sources:
  - Regional Geography growth shares from VISION 2050 Regional Growth Strategy
  - Demographic data from OFM, Census Bureau
- Assumptions:
  - Apply RG growth share to countywide growth 2019-2044
  - Convert population to housing units with household assumptions for each Regional Geography



# GROWTH TARGETS KEY ASSUMPTIONS + PROCESS

## Regional Geography Housing Unit and Job Growth 2019-2044:

| Regional Geography                | Population Growth Share | Job Growth Share |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Metro Cities                      | 44%                     | 46%              |
| Core Cities                       | 40%                     | 45%              |
| High Capacity Transit Communities | 11%                     | 6%               |
| Cities and Towns                  | 5%                      | 3%               |
| Urban Unincorporated              | <1%                     | <1%              |
| Rural                             | 1%                      | <1%              |

### More on Assumptions:

- Urban Unincorporated King County's largest potential annexation areas are in High Capacity Transit Communities
- Cities in the rural area include affiliated PAA
- Targets are not created for the rural area
- Household size, vacancy rate, and group quarters assumptions are unique to Regional Geographies, and reflect long-term and recent trends

# COUNTYWIDE AND REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY ALLOCATIONS

County Growth Projections

Regional Geography Allocations

| King County 2019-2044 |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Population            | 660,850 |
| Housing Units         | 296,800 |
| Jobs                  | 490,850 |

| 2019-2044 Growth | Metro   | Core    | HCT    | Cities and Towns | Urban Unincorporated |
|------------------|---------|---------|--------|------------------|----------------------|
| Population       | 288,400 | 261,900 | 69,650 | 33,300           | 3,000                |
| Housing Units    | 134,500 | 112,850 | 29,950 | 14,000           | 1,300                |
| Jobs             | 223,500 | 222,800 | 28,750 | 12,950           | 700                  |

\*Regional Growth Strategy Rural area growth: 4,200 Housing Units, 2,150 Jobs

# GROWTH TARGETS KEY ASSUMPTIONS + PROCESS

City/PAA  
Growth  
Target  
Ranges

## City and Potential Annexation Area Ranges of **Housing Unit and Job Growth** 2019-2044

- Data Sources:
  - Growth data from OFM, Census Bureau, PSRC
  - Capacity from the Urban Growth Capacity Report
- Assumptions:
  - Allocate housing units and jobs proportionately to cities within regional geographies, based on data factors

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City/PAA  
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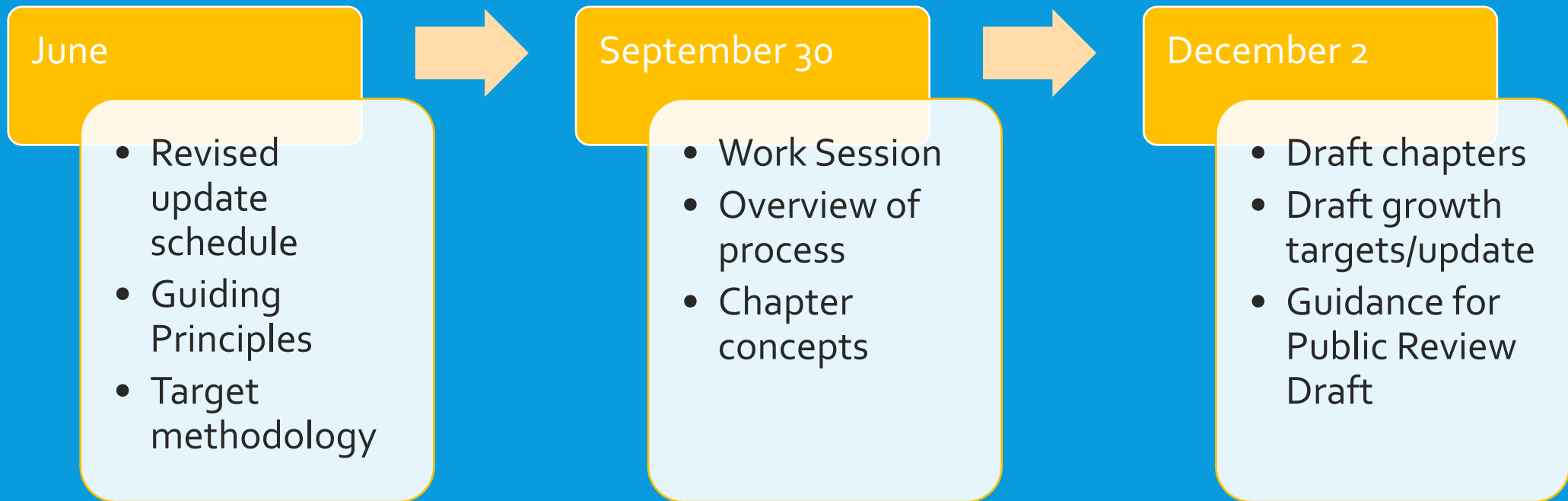
## City and PAA Housing Unit and Job Growth 2019-2044:

- Data Sources:
  - Preliminary target ranges (previous step)
  - Countywide discussion and deliberation
- Assumptions:
  - Convene cities by Regional Geography
  - Review methods and city ranges
  - Collaboratively determine local growth targets

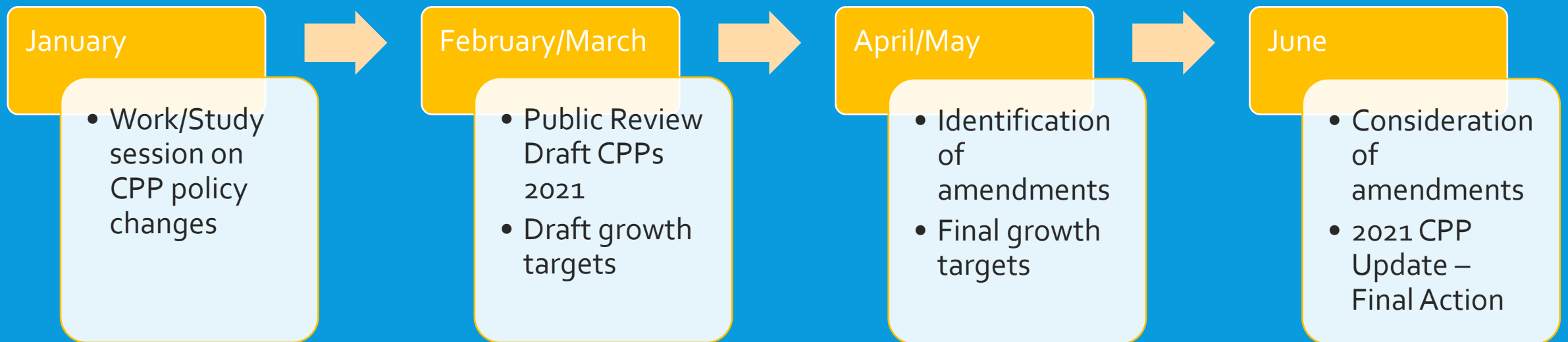
# GROWTH TARGETS NEXT STEPS

- Continue convening Regional Geography meetings to deliberate targets (Jan-Feb 2021)
- Prepare draft targets for February and March 2021 GMPC meetings

# GMPC PROGRESS TO DATE 2020



# GMPC SCHEDULE 2021



# FOR MORE INFORMATION GMPC WEBSITE

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