

REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY AMENDMENT PROCESS

WHAT REQUIRES AN RGS AMENDMENT?

If a development application triggers an official community plan amendment, consider if it would also require an RGS Amendment by checking if it is consistent with an accepted regional context statement. If not, then ask:

- Is it outside the Urban Containment Boundary?
- Does it conflict with the current Rural / Rural Residential Policy Area designation?
- Will it develop a future urban area requiring regional services?
- Does it increase development outside the Urban Containment Boundary?
- Will it extend urban sewer services outside the Urban Containment Boundary?

If yes to any of these questions, follow the RGS Amendment process.



Staff Consultation

Municipal & CRD staff review technical information & prepare for amendment process

Time required: 1-3 months
Responsibility: Municipal



Board Resolution Initiates RGS Amendment

Consider provisions to adopt the consultation plan required pending the type of RGS amendment

Time required: 6 weeks
Responsibility: CRD Board



Prepare Draft Bylaw

Consult stakeholders & communities
Prepare amending bylaw

Time required: 1-6 months
Responsibility: CRD Staff



1st & 2nd Reading Amending Bylaw

Time required: 6 weeks
Responsibility: CRD Board



Public Hearing

Time required: 1 month
Responsibility: CRD Staff and Board
Note: Optional



Municipal Council Acceptance

Member municipalities have 60 days to accept or refuse

Time required: 2-3 months
Responsibility: Municipal
Note: All 13 Municipal councils must accept the amendment



Dispute Resolution

Dispute resolution process
Time required: 3-24 months
Responsibility: CRD Staff
Note: Optional



3rd Reading & Adoption

Stakeholders notified
Time required: 1 board meeting
Responsibility: CRD Board