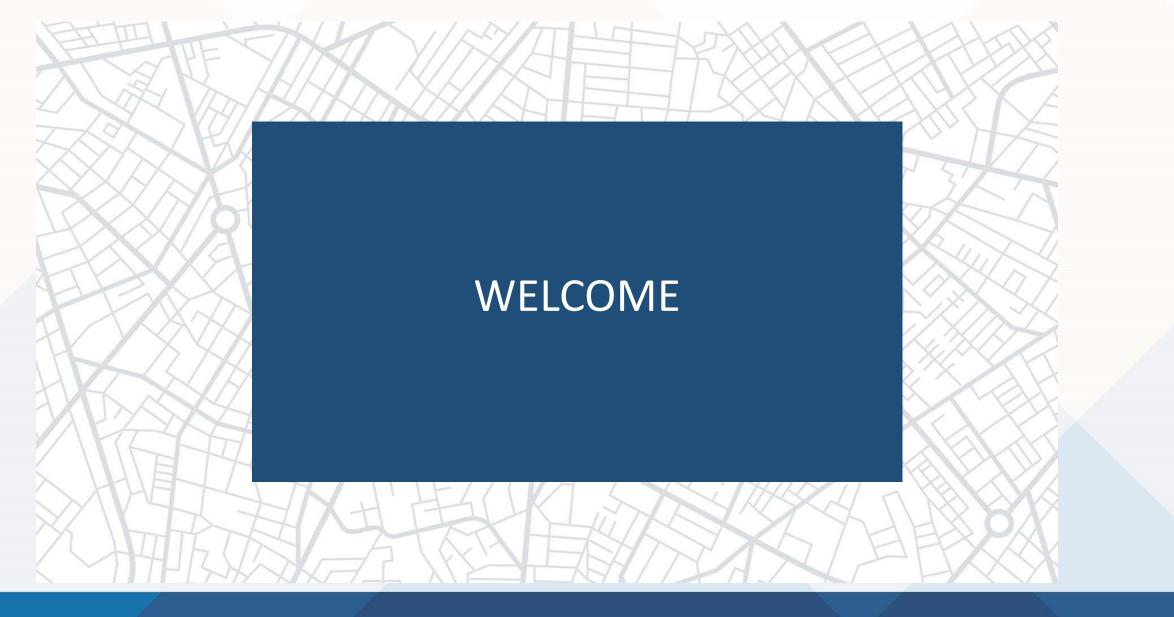


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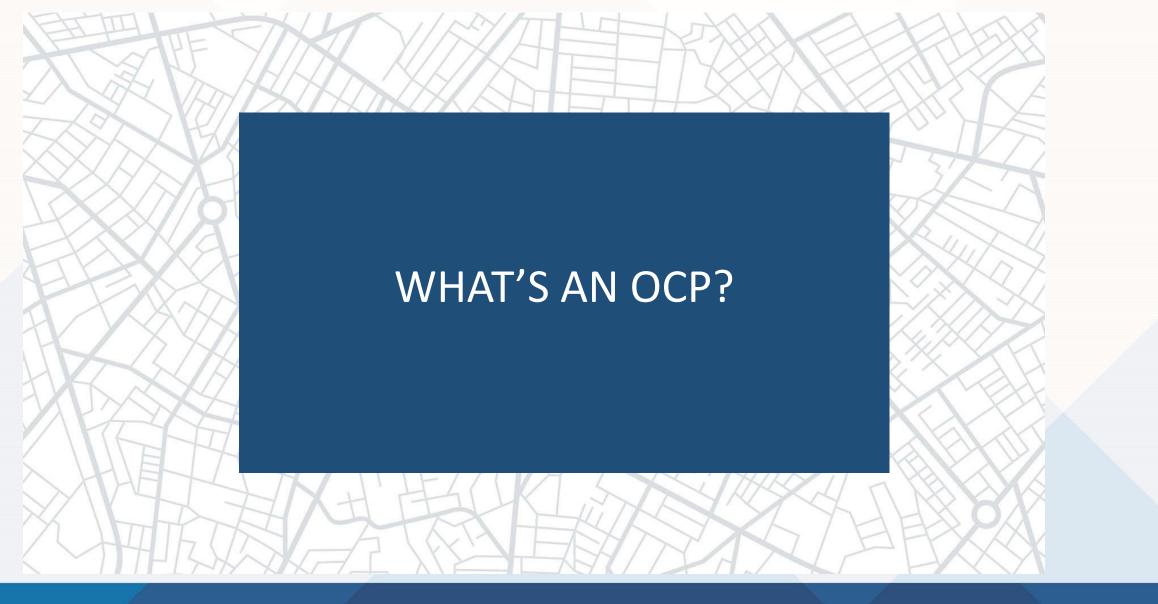


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Agenda

- 1. Overview of OCP process
- 2. What We Heard Reporting Back
- 3. Next Steps
- 4. Community Feedback







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housing choices

manage land responsibly

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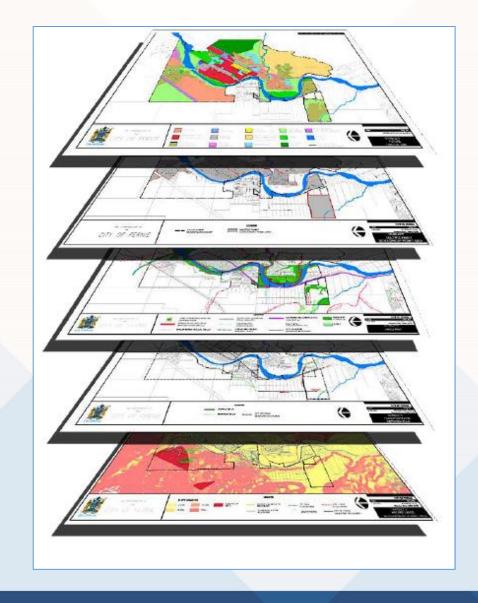
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...and a series of maps



...that provide a consistent and coordinated approach for land use planning and development

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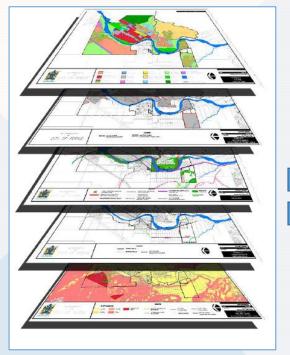
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Why do we review the OCP?

- To make sure the long-term vision for your community is consistent with the Plan
- To update policies and objectives that may have changed since the last review
- To reflect emerging issues/concerns in the community

Timeline



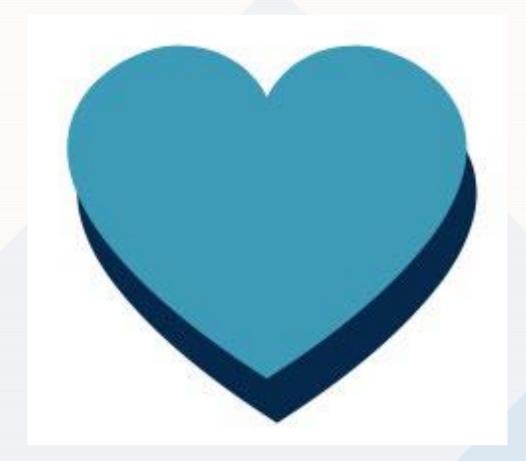
Community Engagement - To Date



- Electoral Area 'I' Community Survey 2016
- Six Community Planning Workshops 2017
- Aquifer Open Houses 2019
- Virtual Open House January 2023
- Five in-Person "Kitchen Table Community Conversations" - March 2023
- Community Open House November 2023
- Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission Meetings - Ongoing



What residents like



- Rural character and lifestyle
- Beautiful landscape and natural areas
- Access to outdoor recreational opportunities
- Farming and local food production
- The many special places (e.g. Doukhobor settlement areas, kp'itl'els, community halls etc.)
- Strong community attachment

What needs attention



- Water quality, quantity and aquifer vulnerability
- Limited services and infrastructure
- Highway safety
- Lack of public space and community amenities
- Aging in place
- Support and programming for youth and seniors (including daycare)
- Creating a diversity of housing options

What's changed



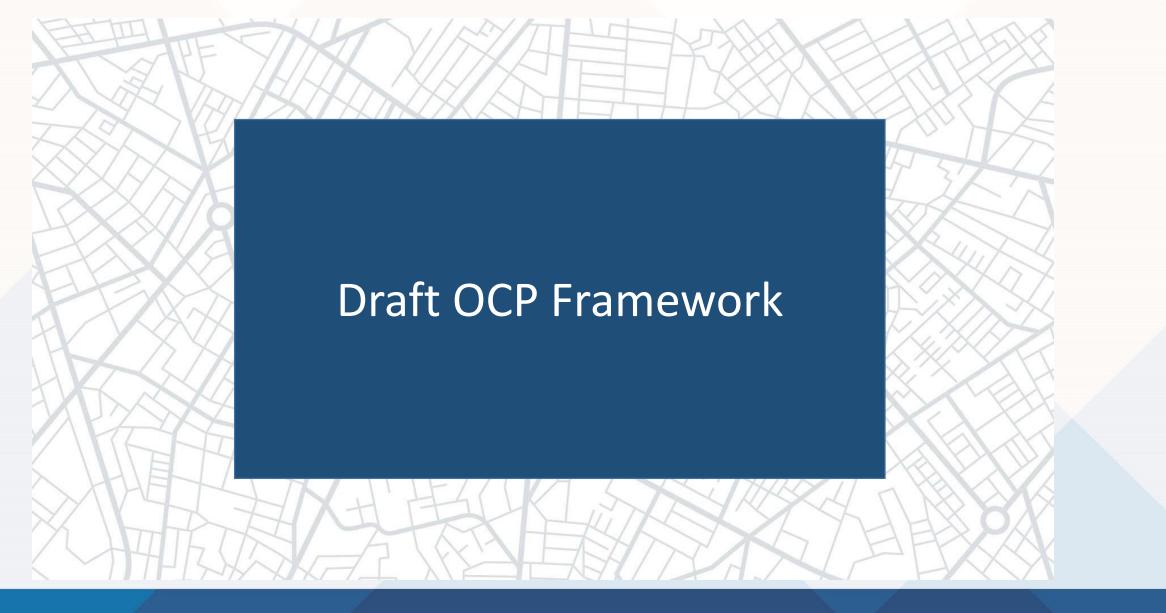
- Increased wildfire and flooding events
- Less housing availability
- Increased number of people moving here
- Reduced community connections



Draft Vision for the future

"Our ambition is that our pristine natural environment and spirited communities provide a peaceful home, balanced economy, and wild recreation experiences for all residents and visitors." – RDCK SustainABLE Central Kootenay







Protecting community watersheds for water quality and quantity





Maintaining agricultural land primarily for farming and food production



Environmental protection



Ensure affordable housing availability and options to age in place



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Maintain a safe and efficient multi-modal transportation system for all road users



Protect the quality of life of residents and encourage good relationships between neighbours



Work to increase the sense of community and social interaction by investing in community halls, parks and facilities...



Honour the area's Indigenous, Doukhobor and other settlement history, including heritage sites

Did we get it right? What else would you like to add or comment on?



Next Steps

- Revise draft of OCP based on feedback received (e.g. tonight, online, in-person, phone) NOW
- Circulate draft OCP on referral for comments late 2023
- Public Hearing winter 2024
- Regional Board consideration of OCP adoption winter 2024

Stay Involved in the OCP Review!

Find Out More and Stay Informed

View project details at: rdck.ca/ArealOCP

Check out to the Area 'I' OCP review project page for **up-to-date information** and updates on **engagement dates** and **next steps**

Who's Listening?

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