



# Community Framework Plan

Board of County Councilors Work Session  
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# Agenda

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- What the Community Framework Plan is
- Recent updates
- Recent community discussions
- Questions and discussion

# What is the framework plan?

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## How did it begin?

- 1990 Growth Management Act was impetus to update county's 1979 comprehensive plan
- County looked at planning from 50-year and 20-year perspectives
  1. **General 50-year plan (1993 framework plan)** sets broad framework for how county will ultimately develop
    - Identified areas for urban growth then and future
    - Identified lands for long-term rural and natural resources
  2. **Detailed 20-year plan (1994 comprehensive plan)**
    - First phase of implementation for 50-year vision



# What is the framework plan?

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## In a nutshell

The Community Framework Plan established a community consensus for which lands would become urban and which lands would remain rural or resource. It is the foundation of the 20-year comprehensive plan.

Designation of urban and rural lands



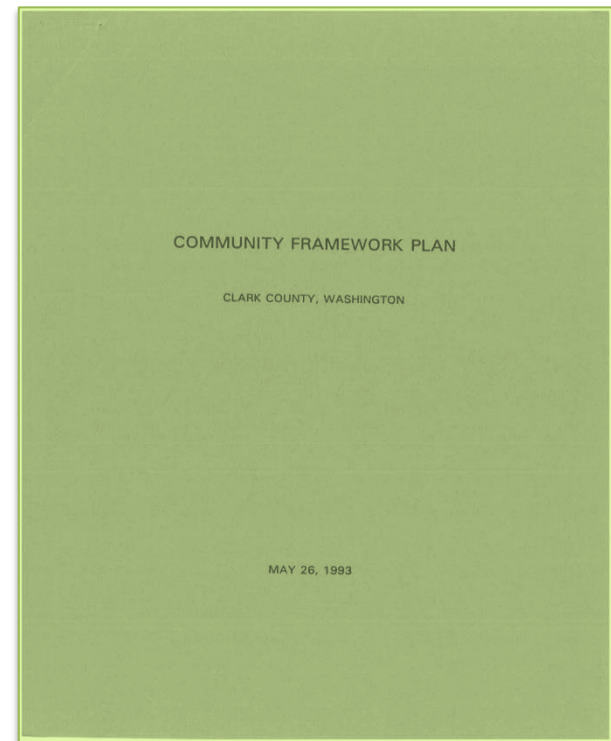
Policy direction for future urban and rural uses



Framework for county, cities and town's 20-year comp plans to implement shared 50-year vision



Provides outline of elements for all jurisdictions' 20-year comprehensive plans

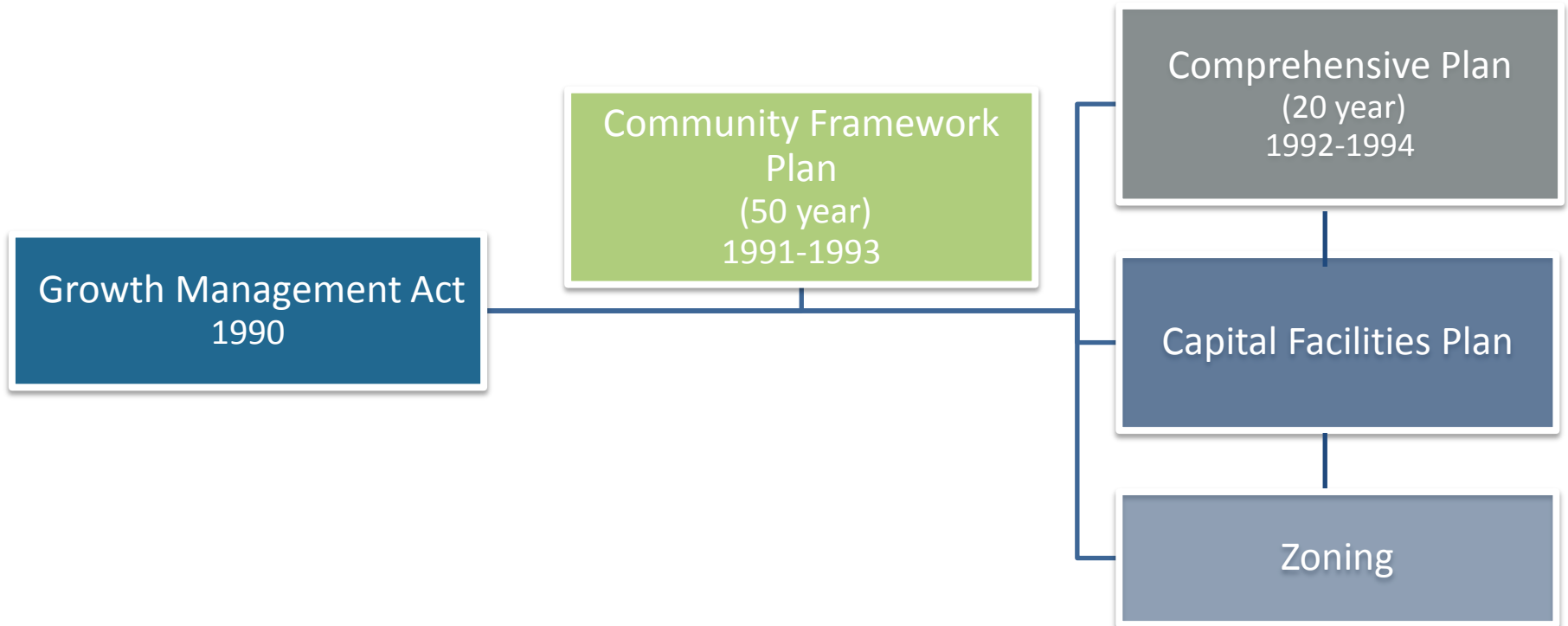




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How does everything fit together?

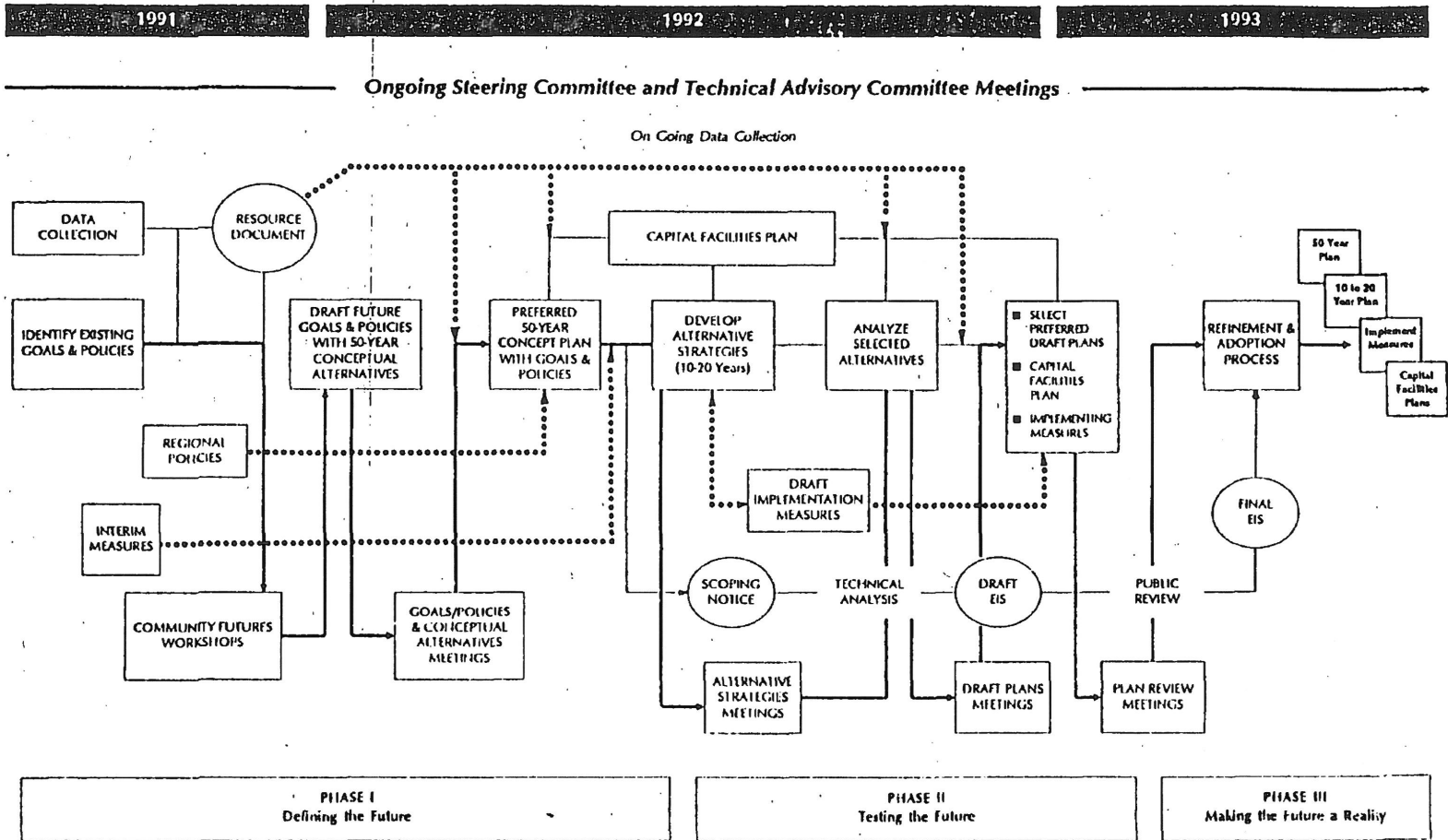


# What was the process?

# SCHEDULE

Clark County Perspectives

## PLANNING PROCESS

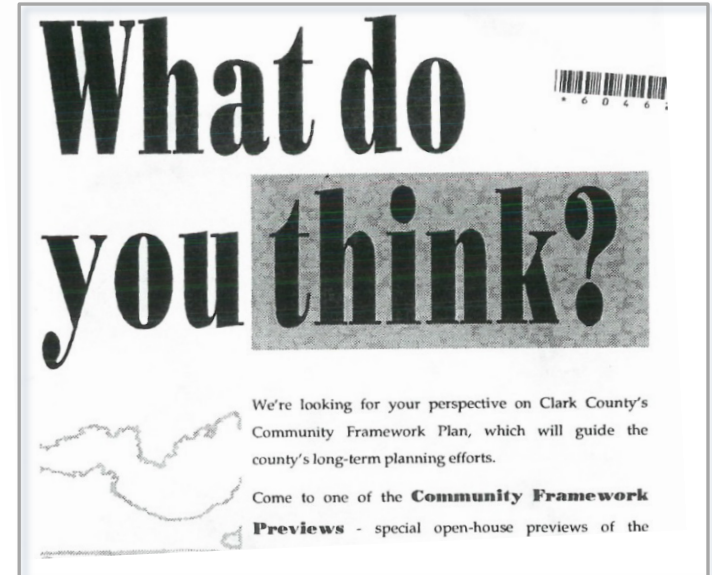


# What is the framework plan?

## Public process

### 1991-1993 Clark County Perspectives campaign

- 1991: Workshops and surveys identify top issues
- 1992: Develop three alternative plans achieving different goals
  - Workshops , 700 attend
  - Newsletter, 750 written responses
- Preferred alternative Hometown – conserves resource lands and natural areas; allows development of high capacity transit system
- Prepare Environmental Impact Statements
- October 1992: County and cities prepare draft Community Framework Plan
  - Previews public meetings, 200 attend
- November-December 1992: Telephone survey
- Hotline phone number



*City of Washougal public outreach for 1994 comprehensive plan*



# What is the framework plan?

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## What is in the plan?

- Policies and goals to guide implementation of the vision of Clark County's future
- Community vision that encourages growth in urban areas and rural centers
- Outside urban areas, land is predominantly rural; farms, forest, open space, large lot residences
- County, towns and cities develop 20-year comprehensive land use plans under umbrella of framework plan to implement shared vision

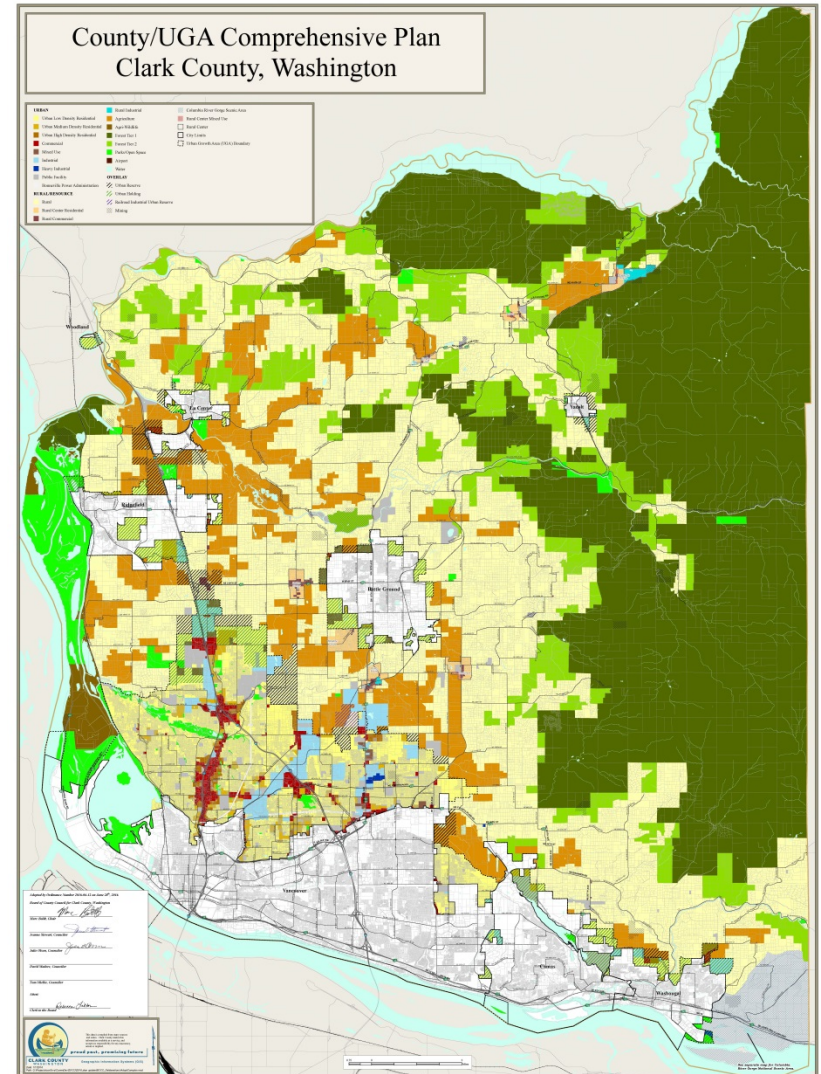
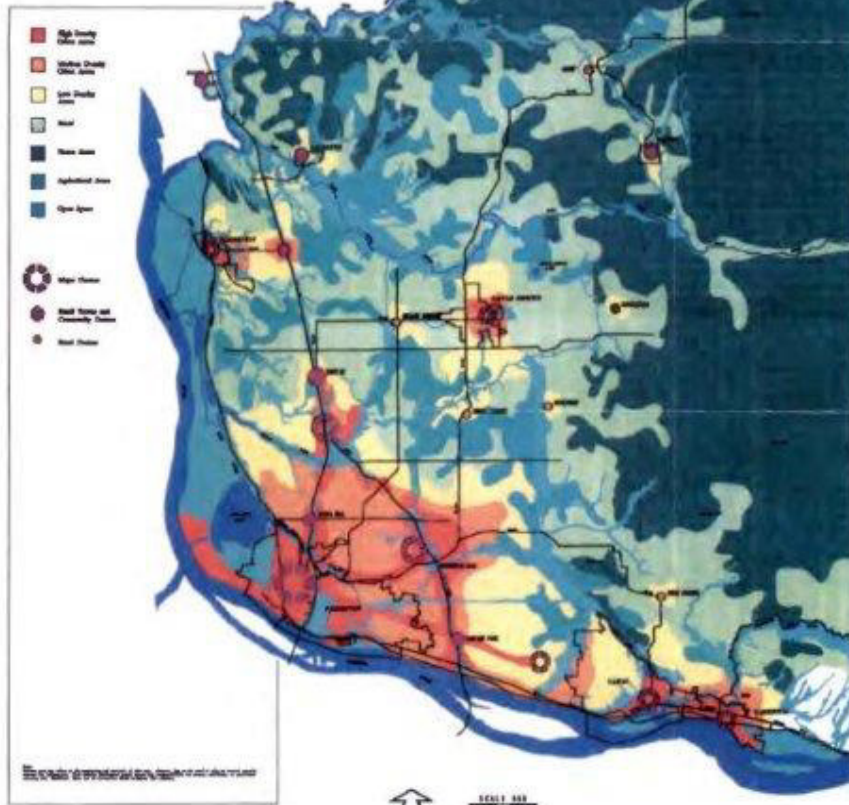
## Elements in the framework plan

1. Land use
2. Housing
3. Rural and natural resource
4. Environmental critical areas
5. Transportation
6. Capital facilities and utilities
7. Parks, recreation, open space
8. Historic preservation
9. Economic Development
10. Community design
11. Annexation, incorporation

# What is the framework plan?

Has the county grown as envisioned?

## COMMUNITY FRAMEWORK PLAN



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## Recent updates:

Amended in 2000, 2001 and 2004

- 2000: first plan monitoring report provides data to revise housing densities for single-family to multi-family ratio
- 2001: annual plan monitoring report provides data to change number dwelling units per acre per jurisdiction
- 2004: separated countywide planning policies from framework policies; changed “light rail” to “high capacity transit;” deleted preamble
- 2007 and 2016 plans consistent with concepts in Community Framework Plan

*No formal process for amending framework plan*

*Amended during comprehensive plan updates with collaboration and agreement from cities and town*



# Community Framework Plan

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## Recent community conversations

Mentions of possibly updating the framework plan:

- Feb. 23, 2017 State of the County
- May 16, 2017 community stakeholders
- June 9, 2017 City-county coordination meeting
- July 12, 2017 Council work session

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# Questions and discussion

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# Thank you!

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