Countywide Planning Policy Amendment

Planning Commission - Briefing

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Background

Countywide Planning Policy

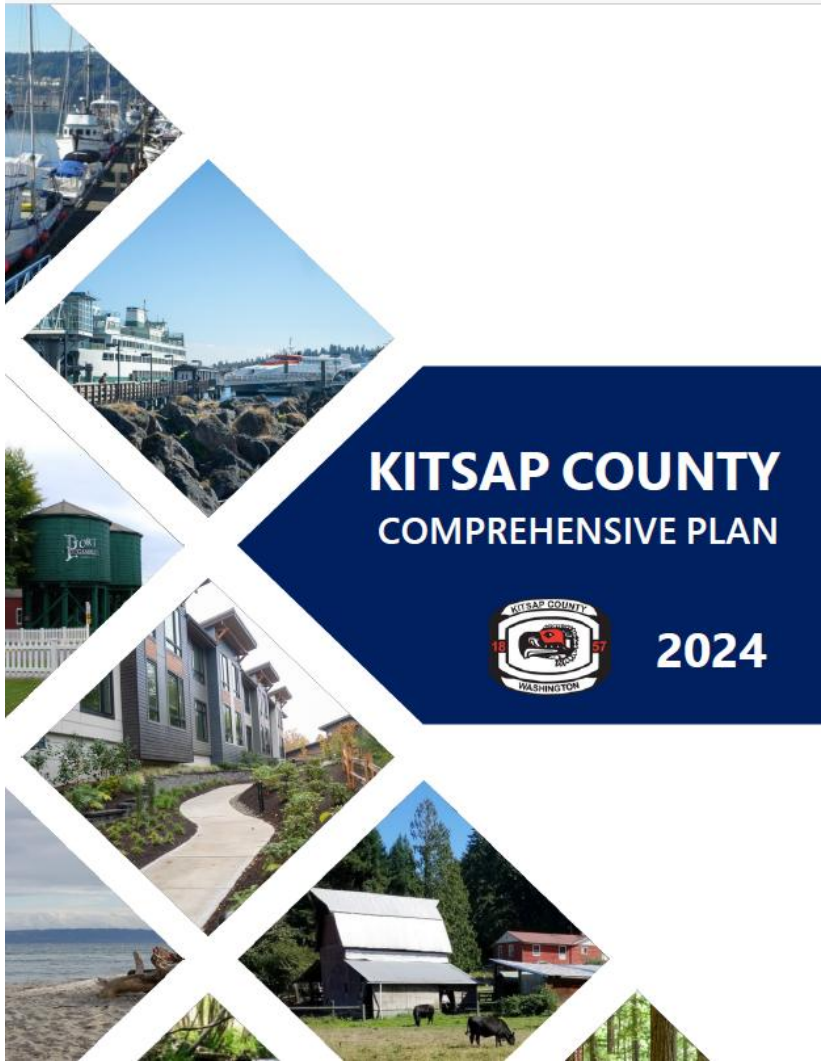
- Legislative Process
  - GMA
  - Vision 2050
  - CPPs
  - Local Plans



Background

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- CPPs updated in 2021
- Amended in 2024 for Comp Plan Periodic Update, Appendix B – Population and Employment



Objective

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- 2026 Amendment to Appendix D – List of Centers 2025

Appendix D:List of Centers 2025

Regional Growth Centers and Manufacturing/Industrial Centers (PSRC designated)		
Jurisdiction	**Regional Center Name**	**Regional Center Type**
City of Bremerton	Bremerton	Metro Center
Kitsap County	Silverdale	Urban Center
City of Bremerton	Puget Sound Industrial Center - Bremerton	Manufacturing/Industrial Growth Center (MIC)
Candidate Regional Growth Center or Manufacturing/Industrial Center		
Countywide Centers		
Jurisdiction	**Countywide Center Name**	**Countywide Center Type**
Kitsap County	Kingston	Growth Center
Kitsap County	McWilliams/SR 303	Growth Center
City of Bremerton	Charleston DCC Center	Growth Center
City of Bremerton	Harrison Heights	Growth Center
City of Port Orchard	Downtown Port Orchard	Growth Center
City of Port Orchard	Sedgwick/Bethel Center	Growth Center
City of Port Orchard	Bethel Lund	Growth Center
City of Poulsbo	SR 305 Corridor	Growth Center
Candidate Countywide Centers		
City of Port Orchard	Ruby Creek	Growth Center
City of Port Orchard	Mile Hill	Growth Center
City of Bainbridge Island	Winslow	Growth Center
Military Installations	**Military Installation Name**	**Type of Installation**
Bremerton	Naval Base Kitsap – Bremerton	Major Installation
Bremerton	Naval Base Kitsap – Jackson Park	Smaller Installation
Kitsap County	Naval Base Kitsap – Bangor	Major Installation
Kitsap County	Naval Base Kitsap - Keyport	Smaller Installation

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City of Bremerton	~~Eastside Village Center (previously Harrison Hospital)~~ Harrison Heights	Growth Center
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City of Port Orchard	Sedgwick/Bethel Center	Growth Center
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iv. After the 2024 GMA Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update, no additional Centers will be added to the list of Candidate Centers. It is expected that jurisdictions will request full Center designation of their remaining Candidate Centers by December 31, 2027. Following December 31, 2027, any Candidate Centers that have not met the criteria for full Center designation will be removed from the list of Centers.

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iv. After the finalization of Center designations in 2025, Kitsap jurisdictions have two options to designate new centers:

a. During a ten-year cycle consistent with GMA periodic updates; growth forecasting and distribution; or when necessary, a five-year cycle consistent with PSRC's major plan update(s).

—A jurisdiction may request a new center designation during the annual Centers designation opportunity, a planned update to the Kitsap Countywide Planning Policies, or outside of a planned update subject to approval of the KRCC Executive Board.

Timeline

Countywide Planning Policy

December 2025
- KRCC approved changes

September 2026
- Issued SEPA DNS
- No Comments

Planning Commission
- Briefing 11/17

BOCC
- Briefing 11/25
- Hearing 12/7
- Adoption 12/4

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