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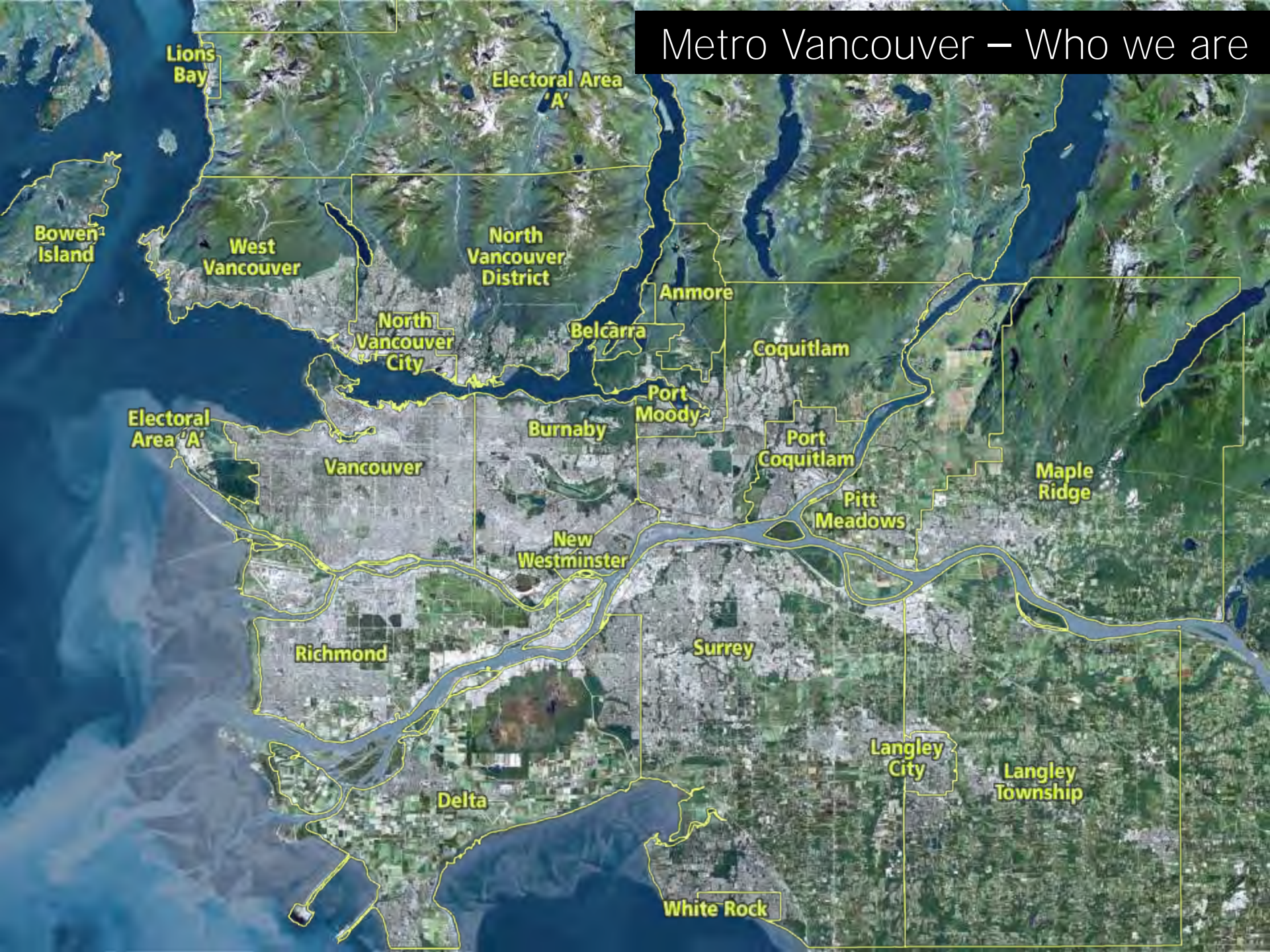
Metro Vancouver 2040

Shaping our future

Planning for the next 1 million people

**Presentation to Skagit
County, March 10, 2011**

Metro Vancouver – Who we are



What We Do

- **Utility services**
 - Drinking water, sewerage, solid waste
- **Regional scale** planning and regulation
- Political advocacy/ **collaborative governance**



Greater Vancouver Key Facts

Population: 2.3 million

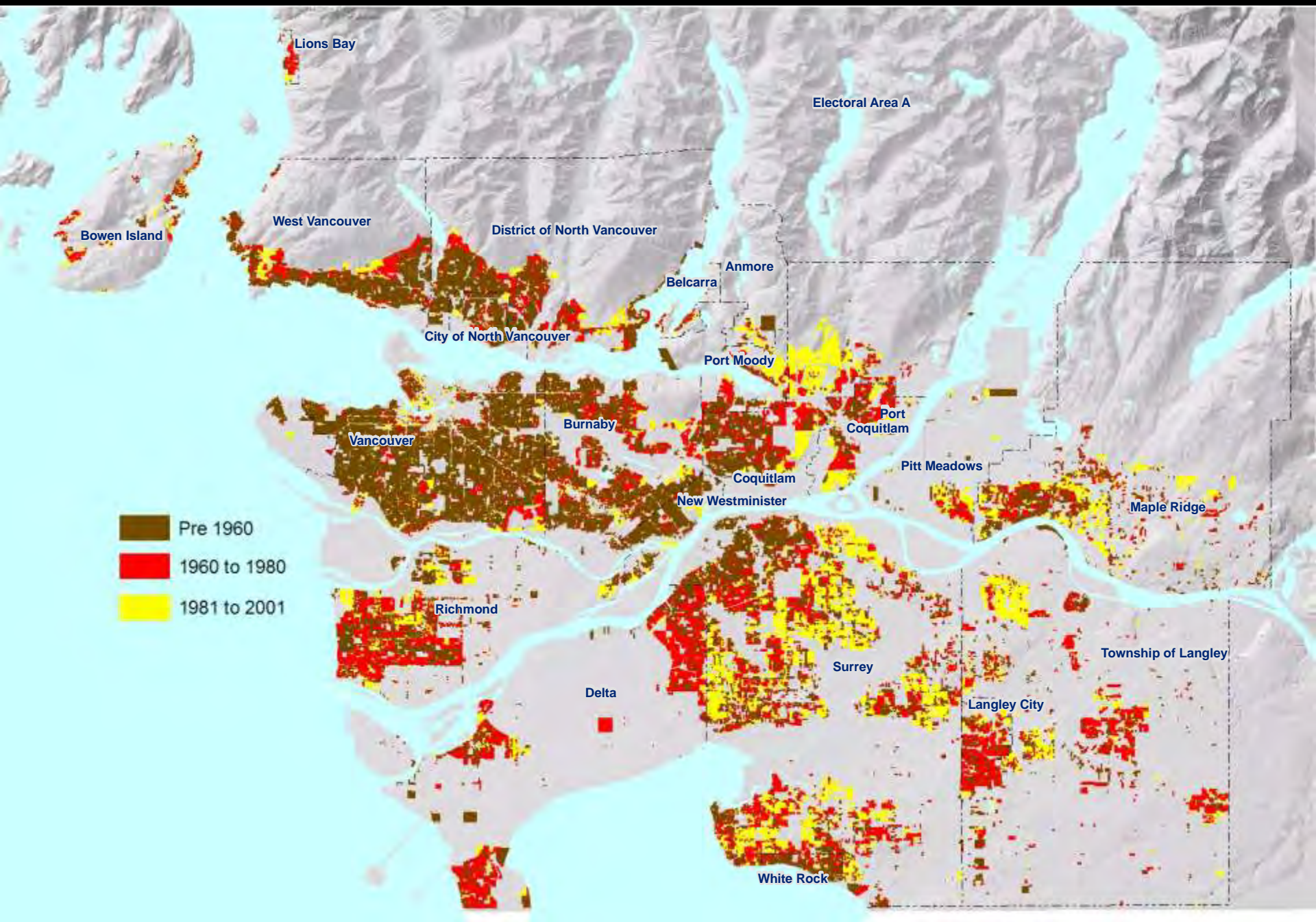
Growing to 3.4 million in 2041

Annual growth: 25-30,000

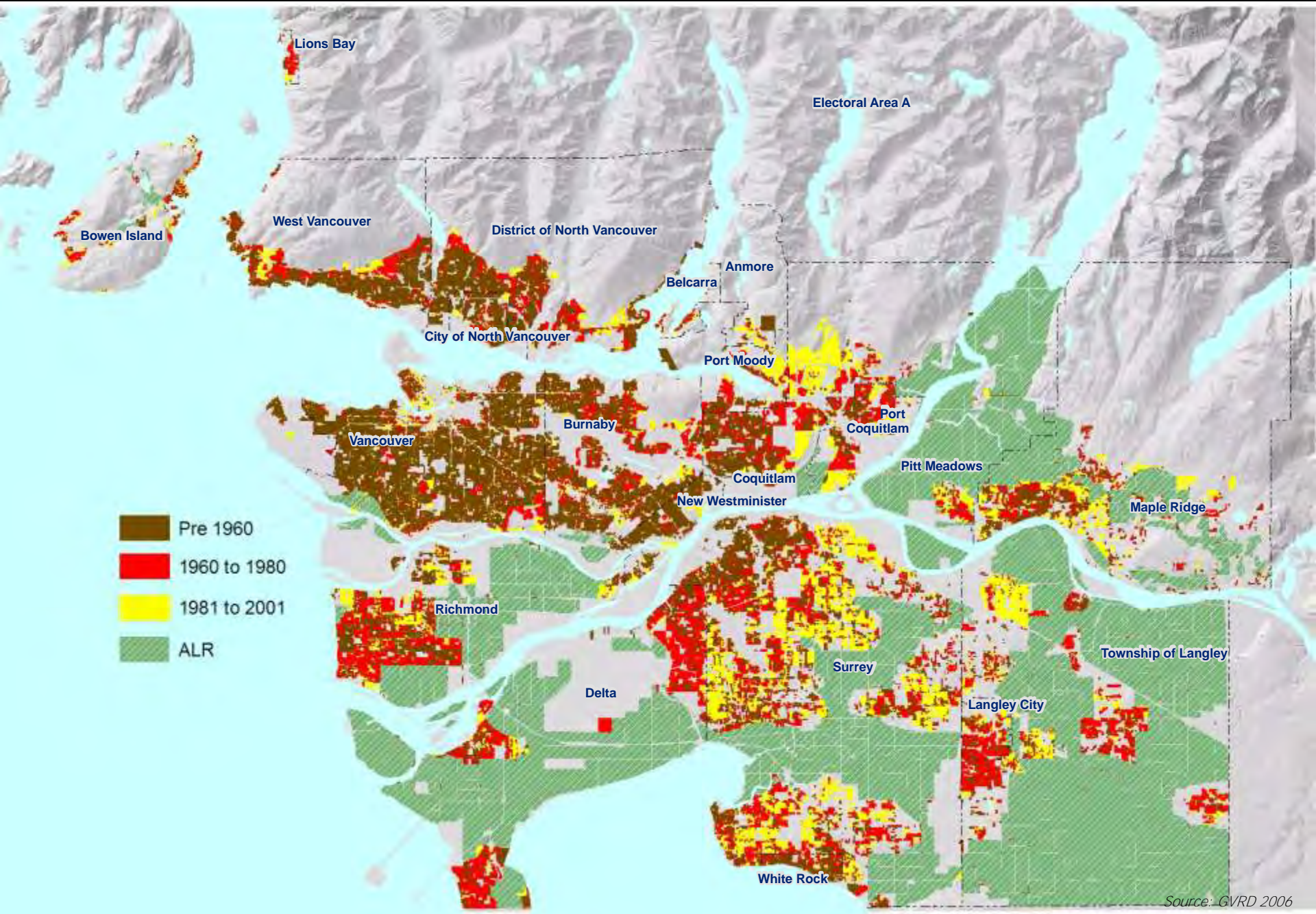
Jobs: 1.2 million

Growing to 1.8 million in 2041

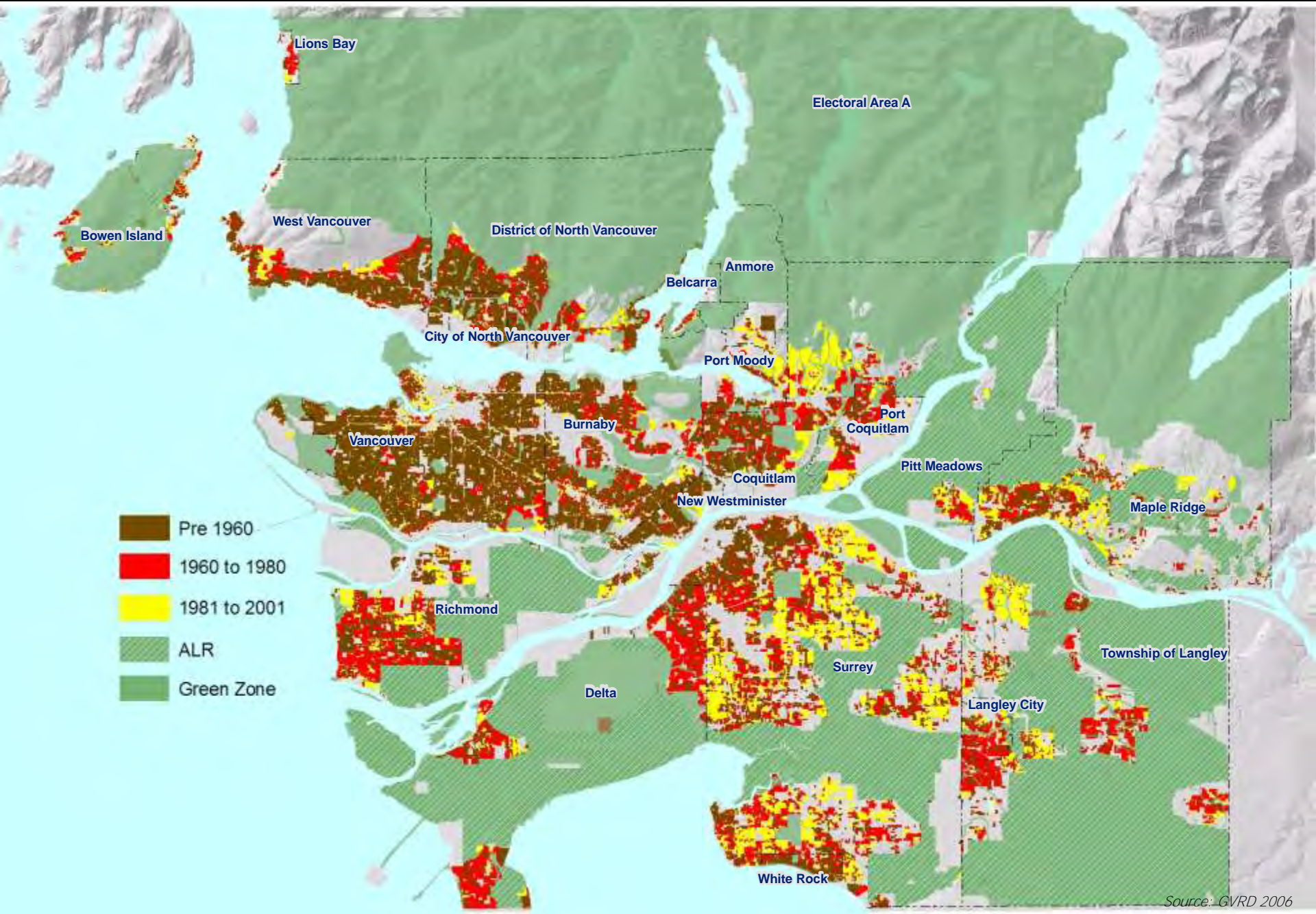
Growth of Residential Footprint Since 1960



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Regional Growth Strategy Goals



GOAL 1 Create a Compact Urban Area



GOAL 2 Support a Sustainable Economy



GOAL 3 Protect the Region's Environment
and Respond to Climate Change



GOAL 4 Develop Complete Communities



GOAL 5 Support Sustainable Transportation Choices

Goal 1: Create a Compact Urban Area

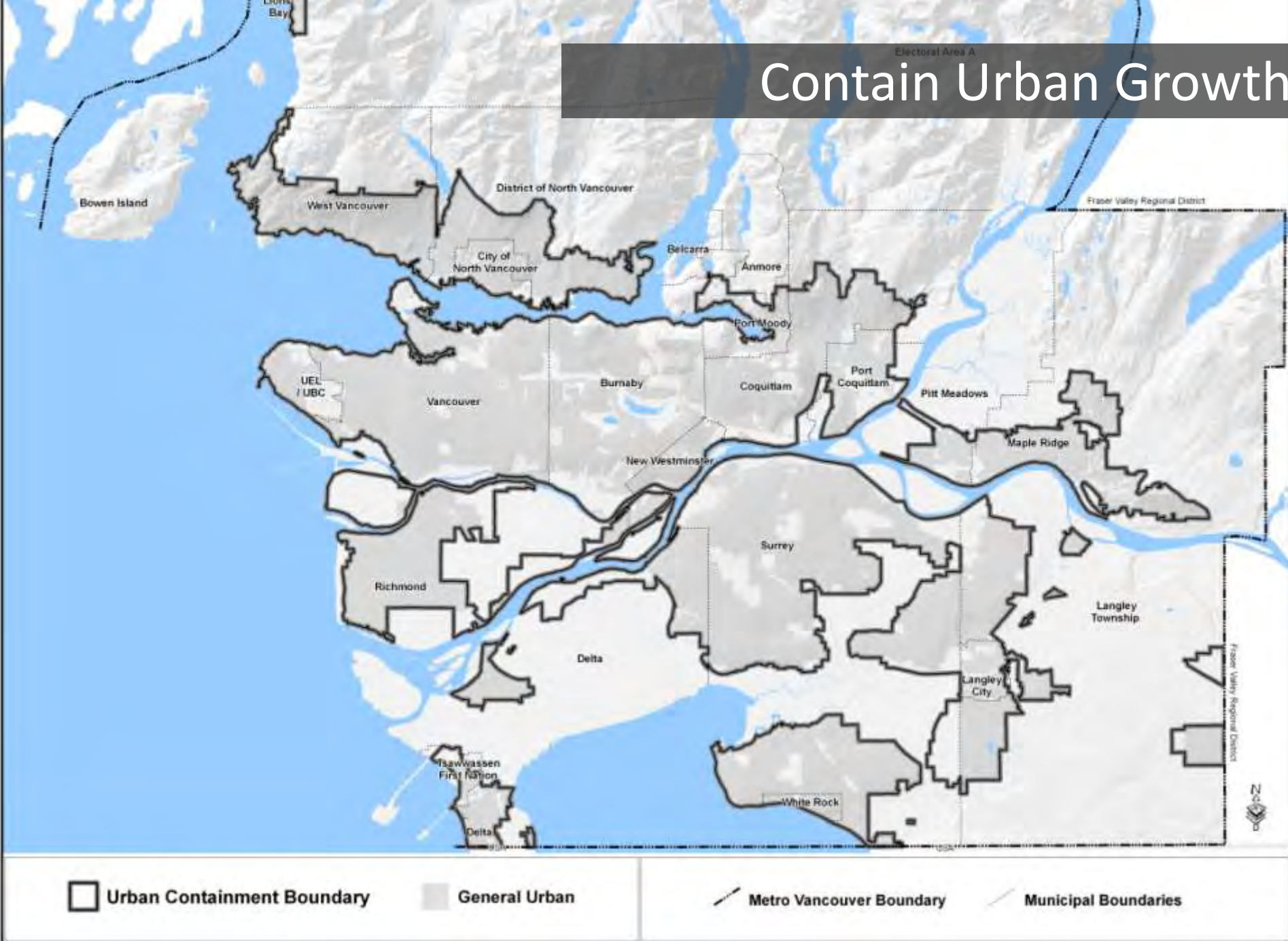


- Establish an Urban Containment Boundary
- Identify priority areas for growth – Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Corridors
- Identify Rural areas and limit urban development on those lands

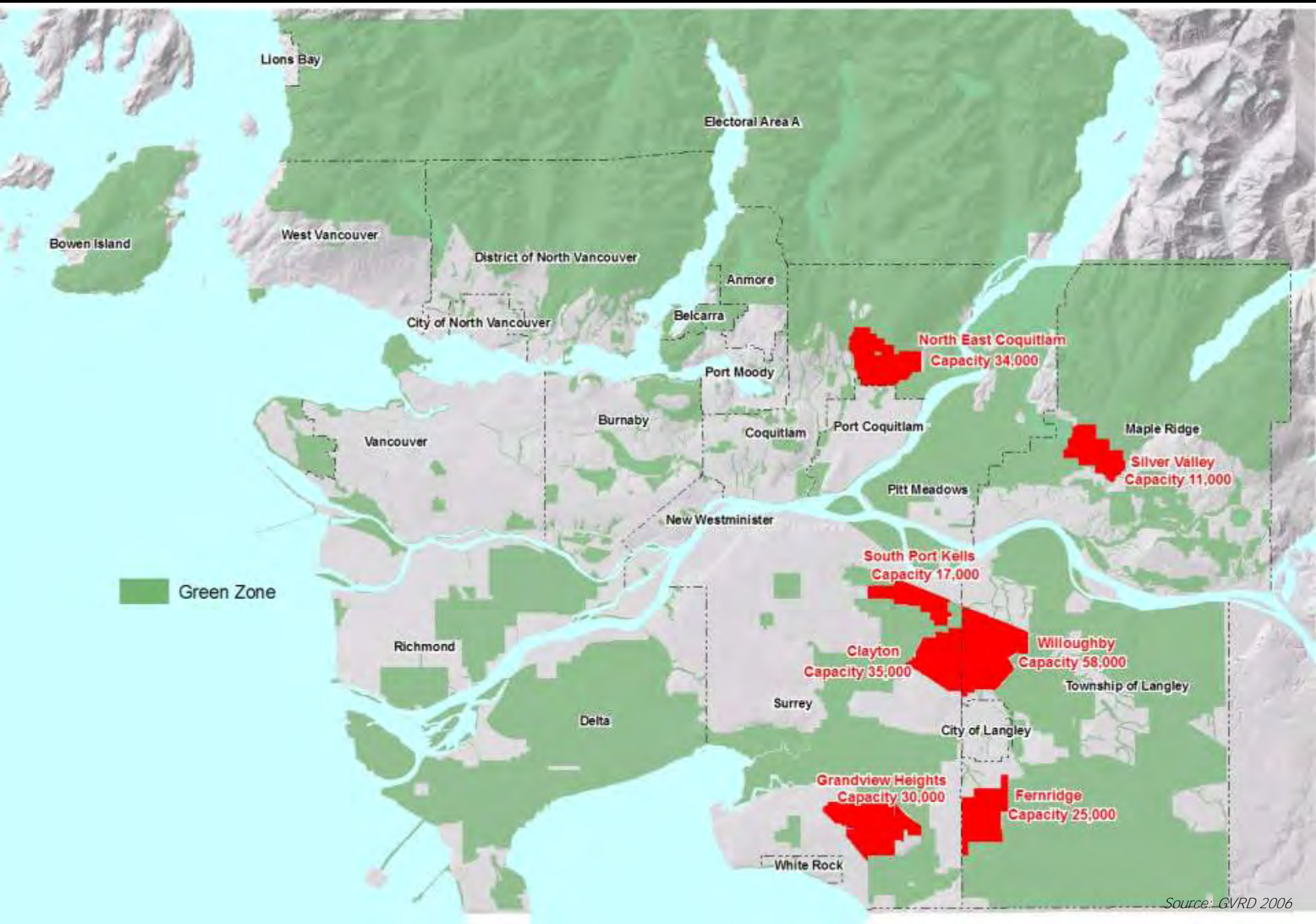


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Contain Urban Growth

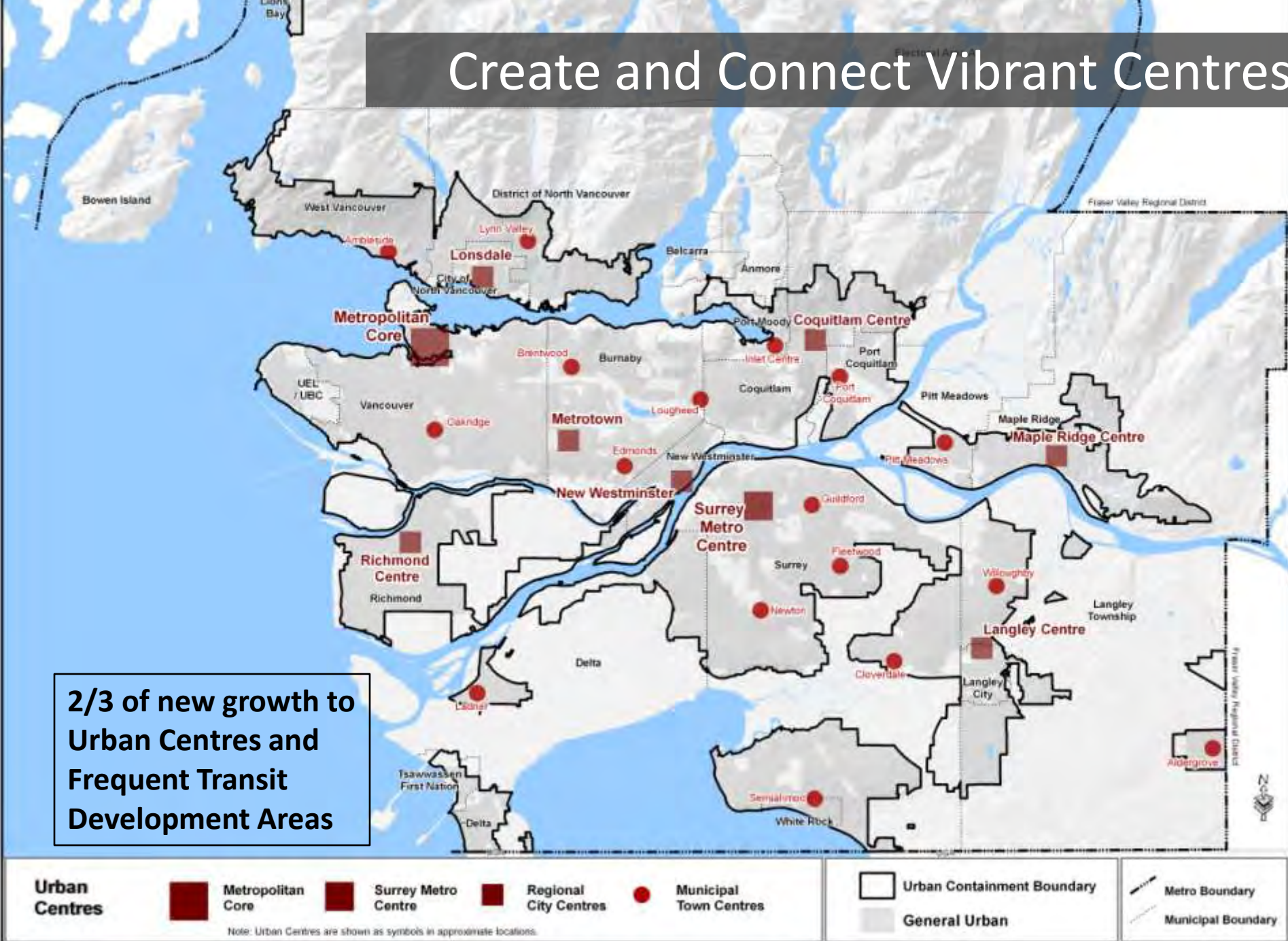


Newly Developing Areas: Planned Population Capacity



Create and Connect Vibrant Centres

2/3 of new growth to
Urban Centres and
Frequent Transit
Development Areas





Rural Areas



Rural Areas in Maple Ridge



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Goal 2: Support a Sustainable Economy



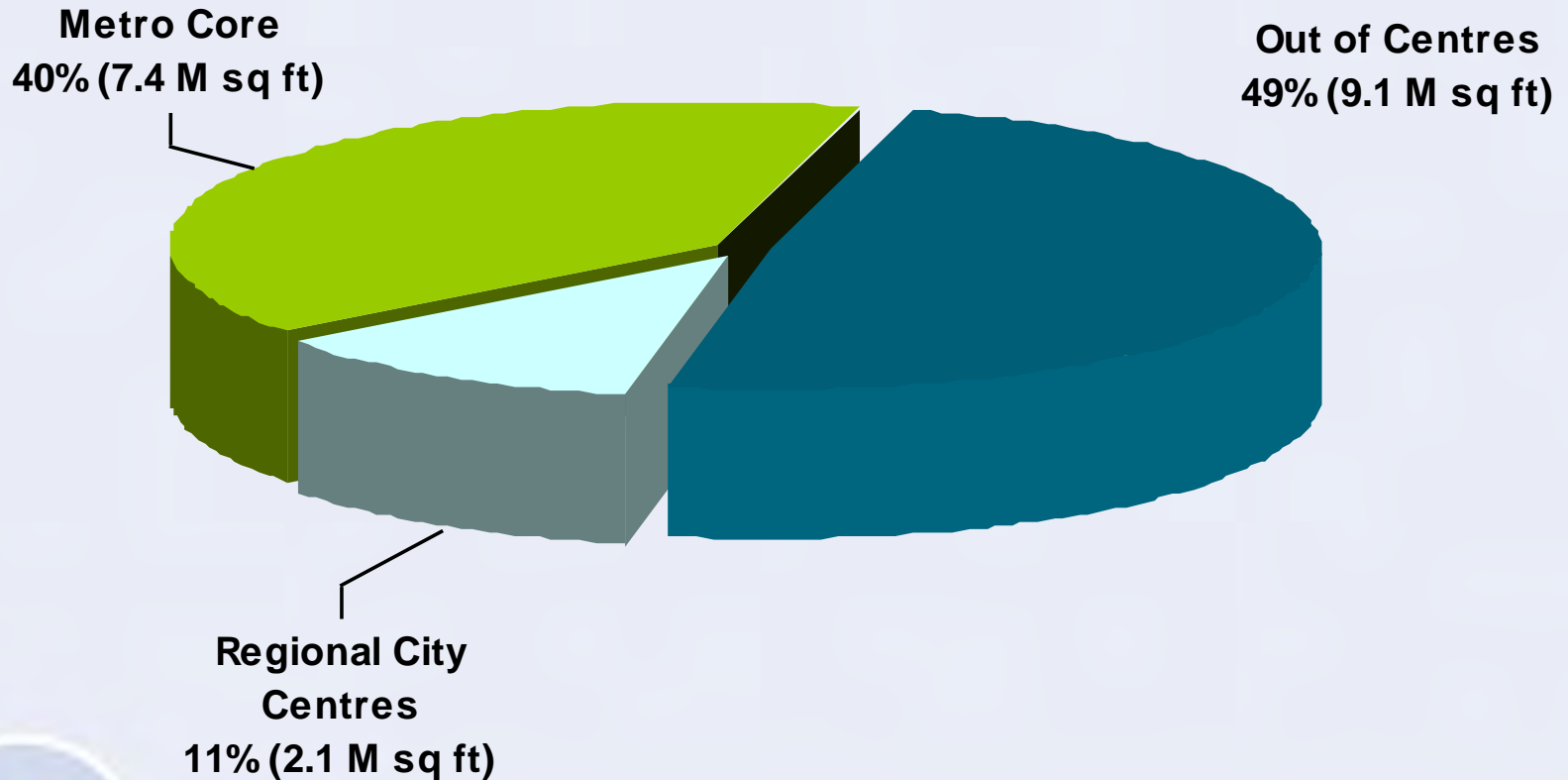
- Encourage jobs close to where people live
- Protect the region's industrial land supply
- Protect the region's agricultural land and promote agricultural viability



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Responding to Employment Dispersal

Distribution of Office Floorspace Growth in Metro Vancouver (1990-2006)



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Efficient Transportation - How workers get to work

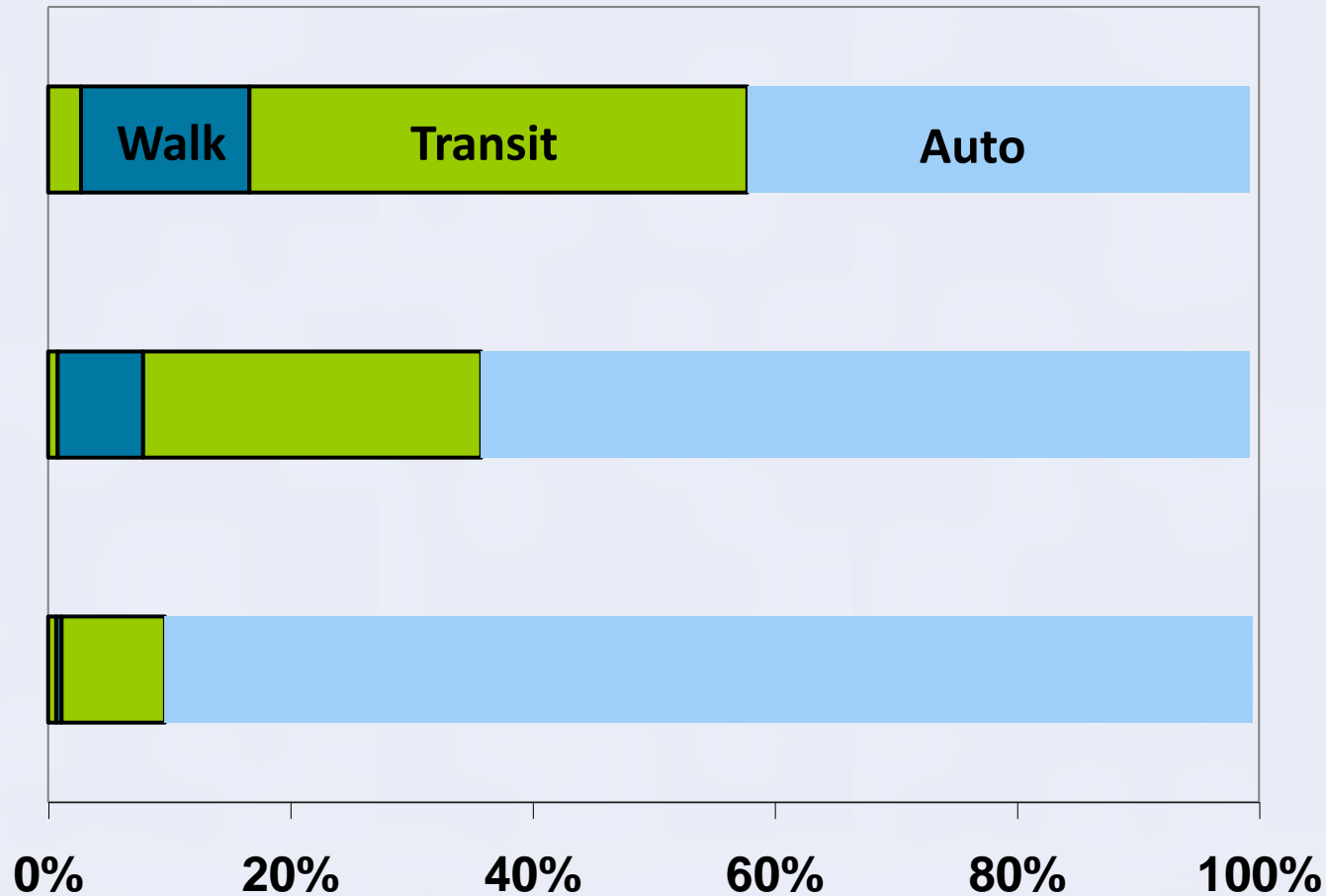
Metro Core



Metrotown



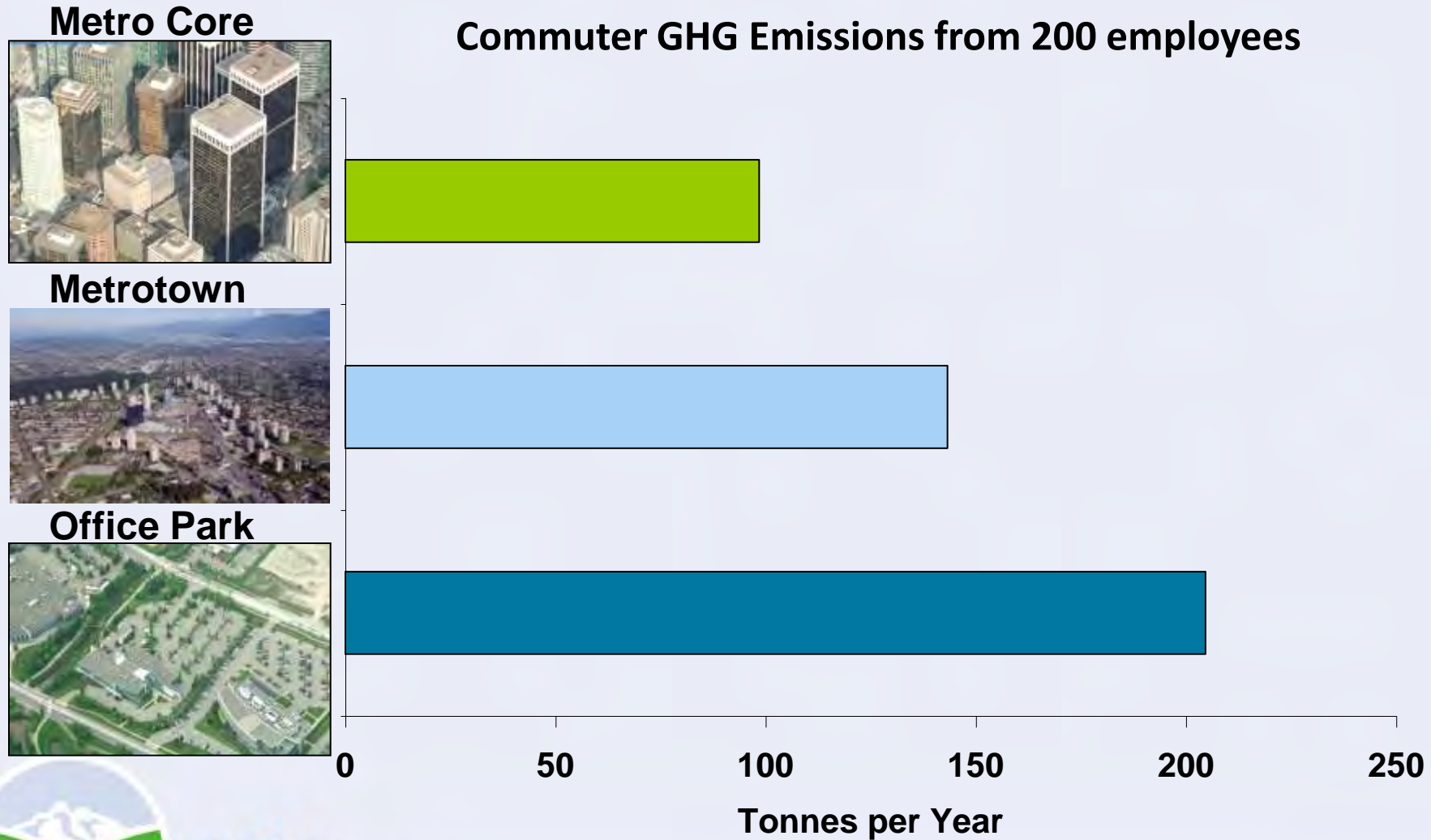
Office Park



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Greenhouse Gas emissions from travel to work

Commuter GHG Emissions from 200 employees



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RGS Issue – Industrial Lands

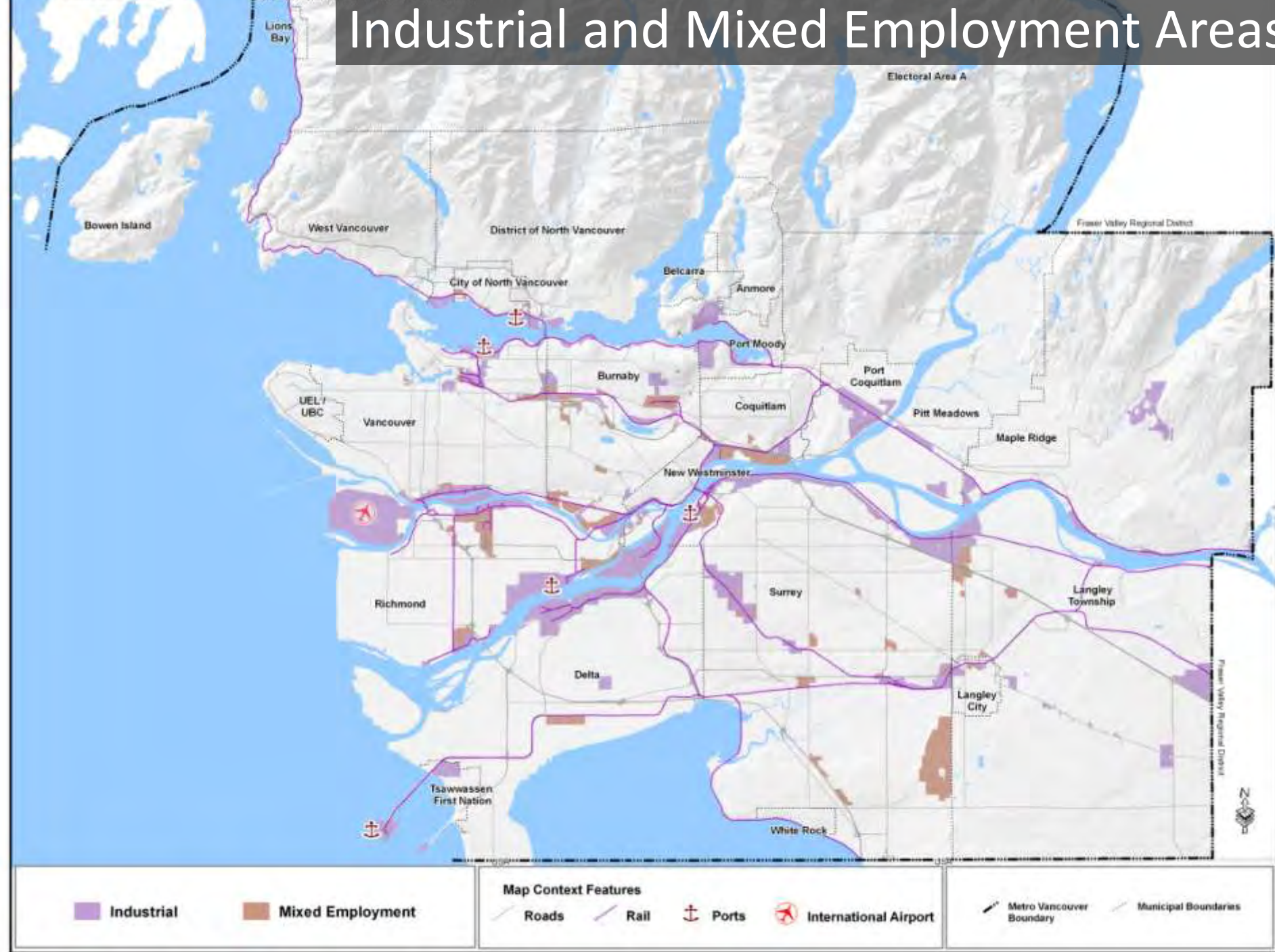
Most employment dispersal has been the result of industrial lands being developed for non-industrial uses:

- ❑ cheaper land, cheaper development costs (tilt up construction, surface parking) attracts developers
- ❑ higher taxes, off site amenity improvements, more attractive form of development, higher employment attracts municipalities



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Industrial and Mixed Employment Areas



Protect Agricultural Land and Viability



Agricultural Areas



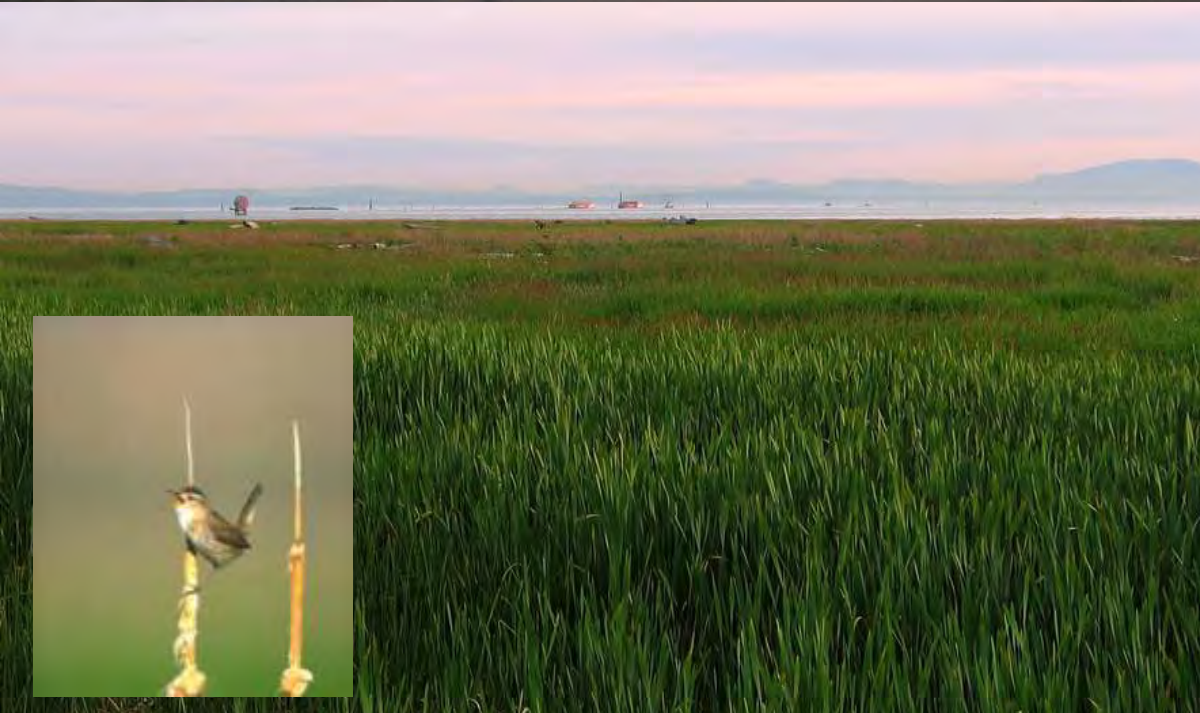
Goal 3: *The Region's Environment*



- Protect the Region's Natural Assets
- Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions



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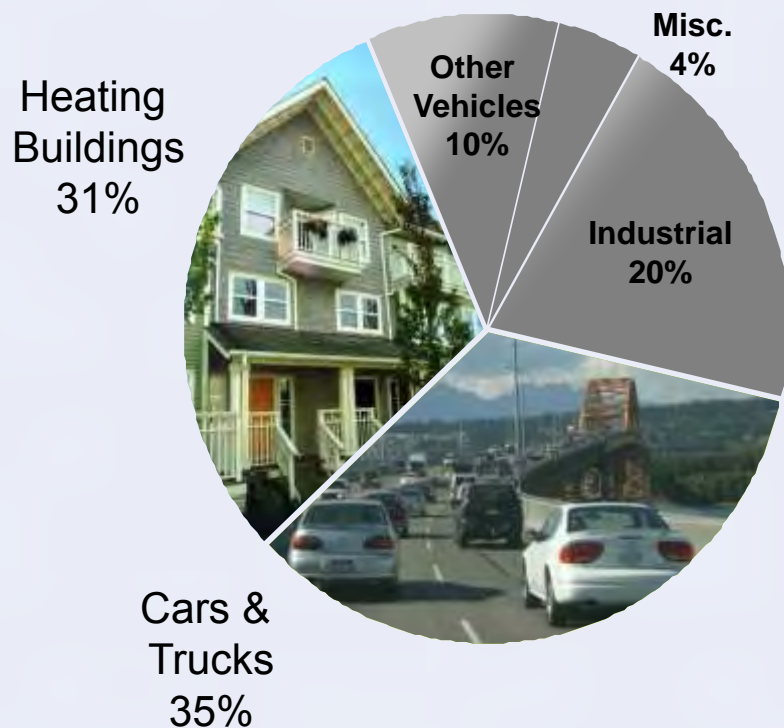


Conservation and Recreation Areas

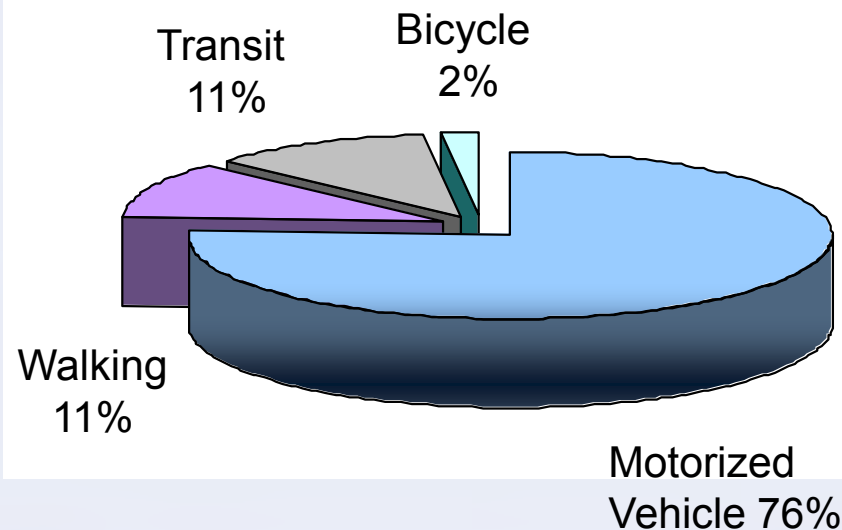


Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Metro Vancouver GHG Emission Sources



How we got around in 2006

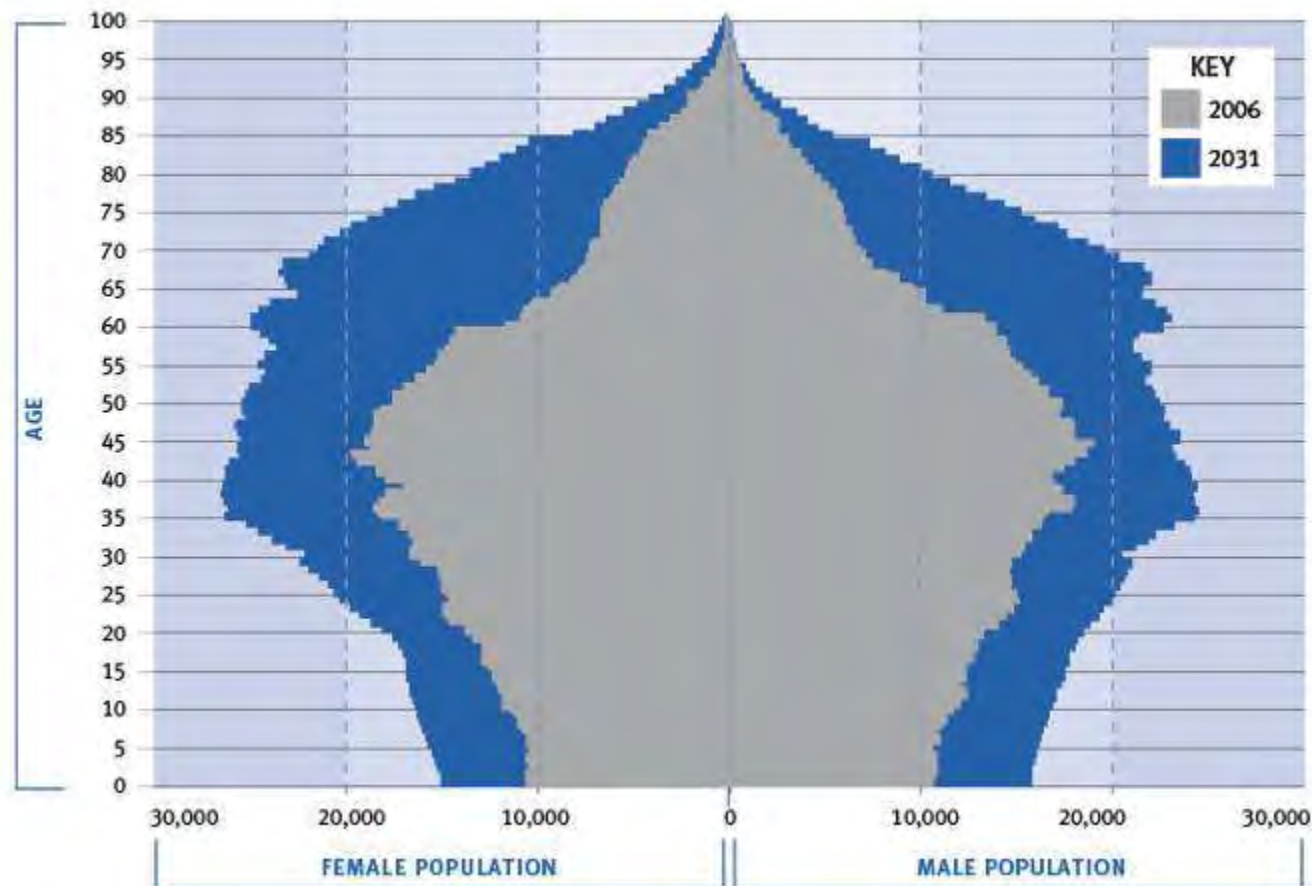


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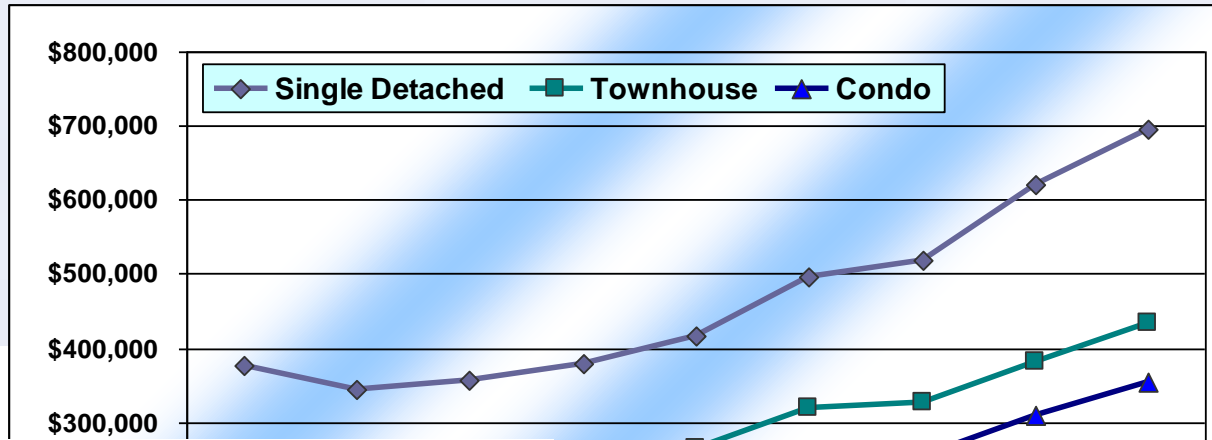
Goal 4 – Complete and Healthy Communities



An Aging Population: 2006 - 2031



Average Housing Prices 1997-2007 by type



Surrey \$16,500 (1966)



Burnaby, \$18,000 (1966)



PoCo, \$16,500 (1971)



Vancouver, \$16,500 (1966)



Regional Housing Objectives

- Ensure a sufficient supply of housing to meet future demand
- Provide full range of housing choices in all parts of the region
- Expand affordability for both rental and ownership
- Build sustainable housing and complete communities
- Efficient / green building design / technologies / energy use



Goal 5 – Support Sustainable Transportation Choices



Transportation planning to **serve** demand is TransLink's responsibility; not part of RGS

Significant investments to **shape** future land use and travel patterns are part of the RGS



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The Strategy - Land Use Designations



What is a Regional Context Statement?

A required statement in a municipal Official Community Plan demonstrating how the OCP is consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy. A new RCS is required within 2 years of adopting an RGS.

**Regional
Growth
Strategy**



**Regional
Context
Statement**



**Official
Community
Plan**



**Zoning Bylaw
Development
Permits**



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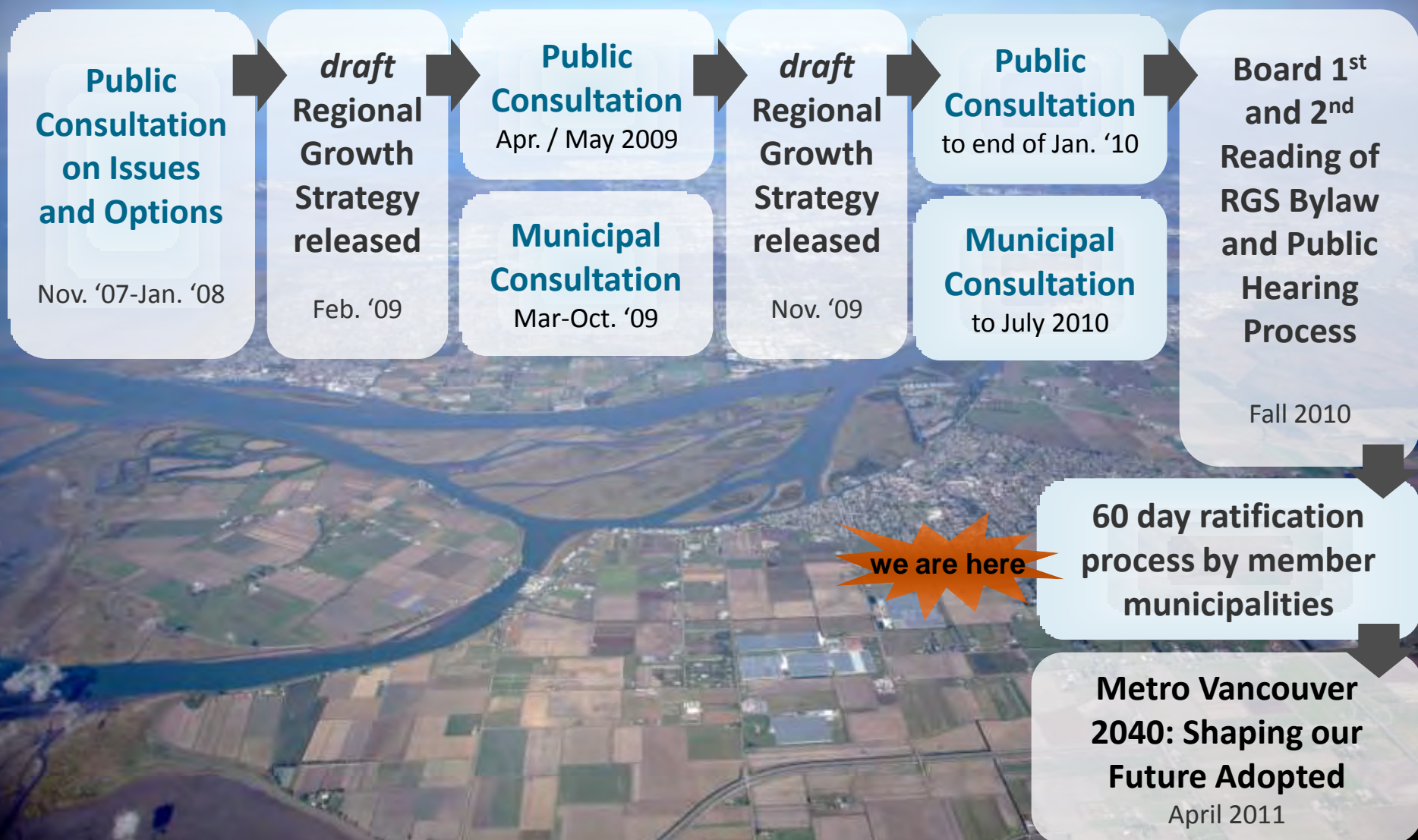
Implementation

- ❑ Striking a balance – achieving regional goals and preserving local autonomy



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Next Steps





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Shaping our future



What can a successful strategy accomplish?

- ❑ Network of vibrant, accessible **centres**
- ❑ Strong, diversified **economy**, competitive advantage
- ❑ **Environment** protected and enhanced
- ❑ Productive **agricultural** lands, food security
- ❑ Reduced **greenhouse gases**, protection from climate change
- ❑ **Well-housed** population
- ❑ Efficient, affordable **transportation**



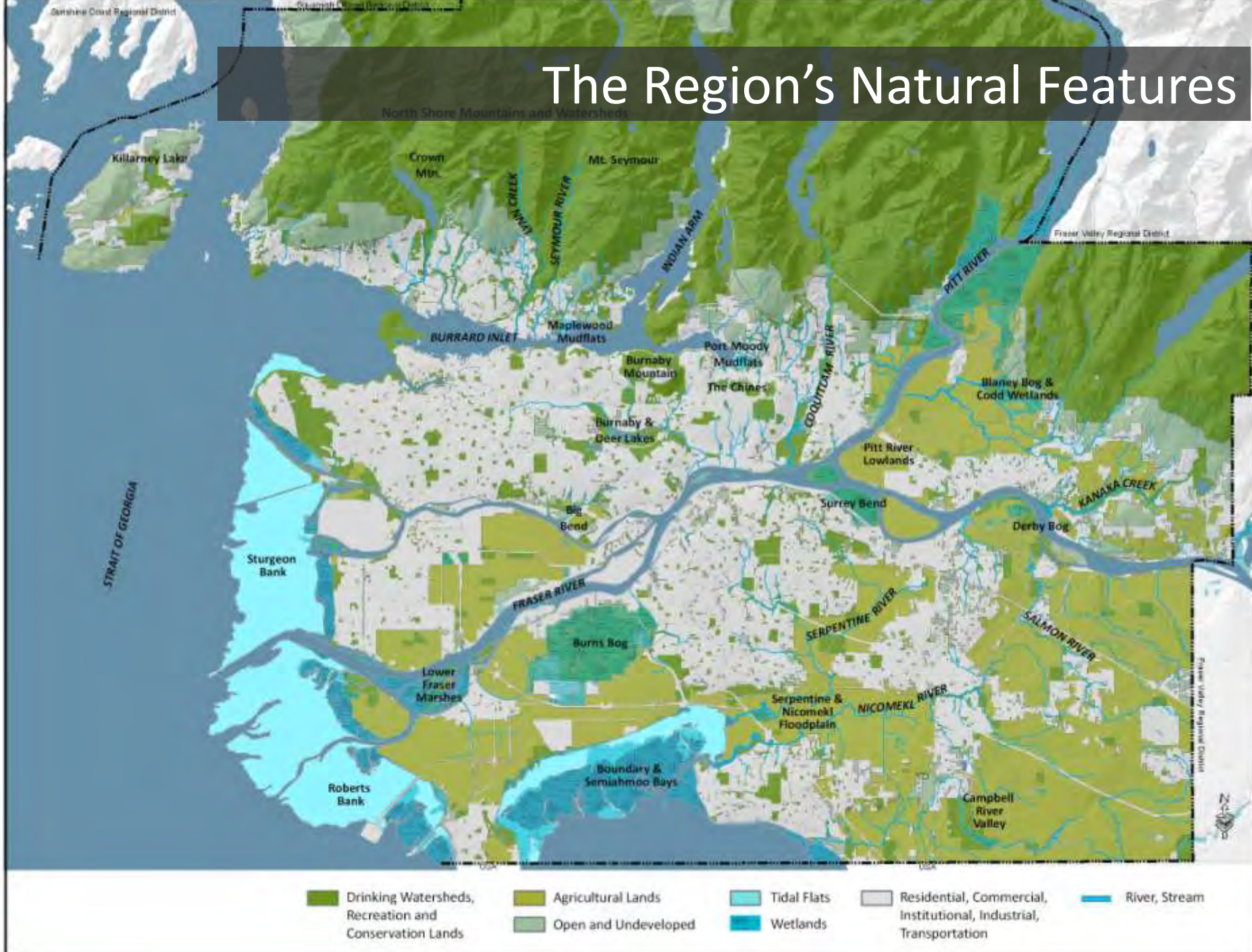
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Regional Recreation Greenway Network



The Region's Natural Features



TransLink's Transport 2040 Transit Network



TransLink's Transport 2040 Major Road Network

