Central Puget Sound Region

- 4 million people
- 4 counties: King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap
- 82 cities and towns
- Urban and rural
- 6,300 square miles
- 1,000 square miles in urban growth areas
A robust regional economy

**Annual job change, 2010-2017**

- '10 to '11: 26,700
- '11 to '12: 39,000
- '12 to '13: 48,200
- '13 to '14: 52,200
- '14 to '15: 58,900
- '15 to '16: 63,300
- '16 to '17: 61,000

**61,000 wage & salary jobs** added to region last year (3.0% increase)

**349,000 jobs** added to region since 2010 (20% increase)

King and Snohomish counties have accounted for **86%** of job growth since 2010

Source: ESD, WA Employment Estimates (seasonally adjusted annual averages), January 2018
Continued population surge

Regional population of **4.0 million**

**350,000 increase** over 6 years

Only 2\(^{\text{nd}}\) time **80,000+ people added** to region in a single year since 1990-1991

**Annual population change in the central Puget Sound, 2010-2017**

- 2016-17: 82k
- 2015-16: 86k
- 2014-15: 63k
- 2013-14: 55k
- 2012-13: 38k
- 2011-12: 27k
- 2010-11: 25k

Source: OFM, April 1, 2017 Population of Cities, Towns and Counties
2050 population forecast

4.0 million people

5.8 million people
Cities are planning for urban centers, where growth is twice as fast as other parts of the region.
Regionally, 96% of permitted housing units are in cities and urban areas, helping keep our working lands working.
Community Transit Swift Bus

Kitsap Transit Fast Ferry

WSDOT I-5 & SR 16

Sound Transit Link
Regional infrastructure investments

SR 99 Viaduct Replacement

SR 520 Bridge Replacement
A crisis in affordability

Roughly a 60% increase in home prices and apartment rents in past 5 years

Sources: Dupre+Scott, Zillow
Travel times are increasing

Vehicle hours of delay by freeway corridor.

- 2014
- 2015: + 30%
- 2016: + 15%
- 2017: + 4%

Source: Freeway Count Detectors, TRAC Flow, – Washington State Department of Transportation
We want to hear from you

• By 2050, what do you envision for our region?
VISION 2050 Work Program

- **2017**: Early work
- **2018**: Scoping, research, planning
- **2019**: SEPA review, draft plan
- **2020**: Adoption
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