

Sustainable Okotoks

"Where To From Here"





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Where We Came From





In 1998, Okotoks chose a 'managed growth' approach – resulting from extensive community consultation...

Choosing for Ourselves

- **Planned Destiny**
- **By Intent – Live Within Environmental Carrying Capacity**
- **Minor Boundary Adjustments**
- **Self Reliance**
- **Long Term Wise Watershed Management**

... We had a choice ... but once we passed the intersection it was unlikely we would have a similar opportunity again ...

What kind of community would we pass on to the next generation?

OR

Traditional Planning

- **Planned Growth Without Limits**
- **By Intent - Regional Utilities**
- **Continuous Boundary Adjustments**
- **Continuous Annexation as Required**



In 1998, Council passed a resolution to create a Sustainable Okotoks...

Town Of Okotoks Vision

“In the year 2030, Okotoks is a leader in sustainability, driven by an involved, connected and creative community. Through visionary leadership, citizens are engaged in maintaining a safe, caring and vital community that honours our culture, heritage and environment.”

Underlying Values in 1998

- Sustainable Development (Regional Leadership)
- Holistic Approach to Community Well Being
- Pristine Sheep River Valley
- Participative Local Government
- Environmentally Sensitive
- Quality of Life
- Harmony
- Prosperity

V i s i o n



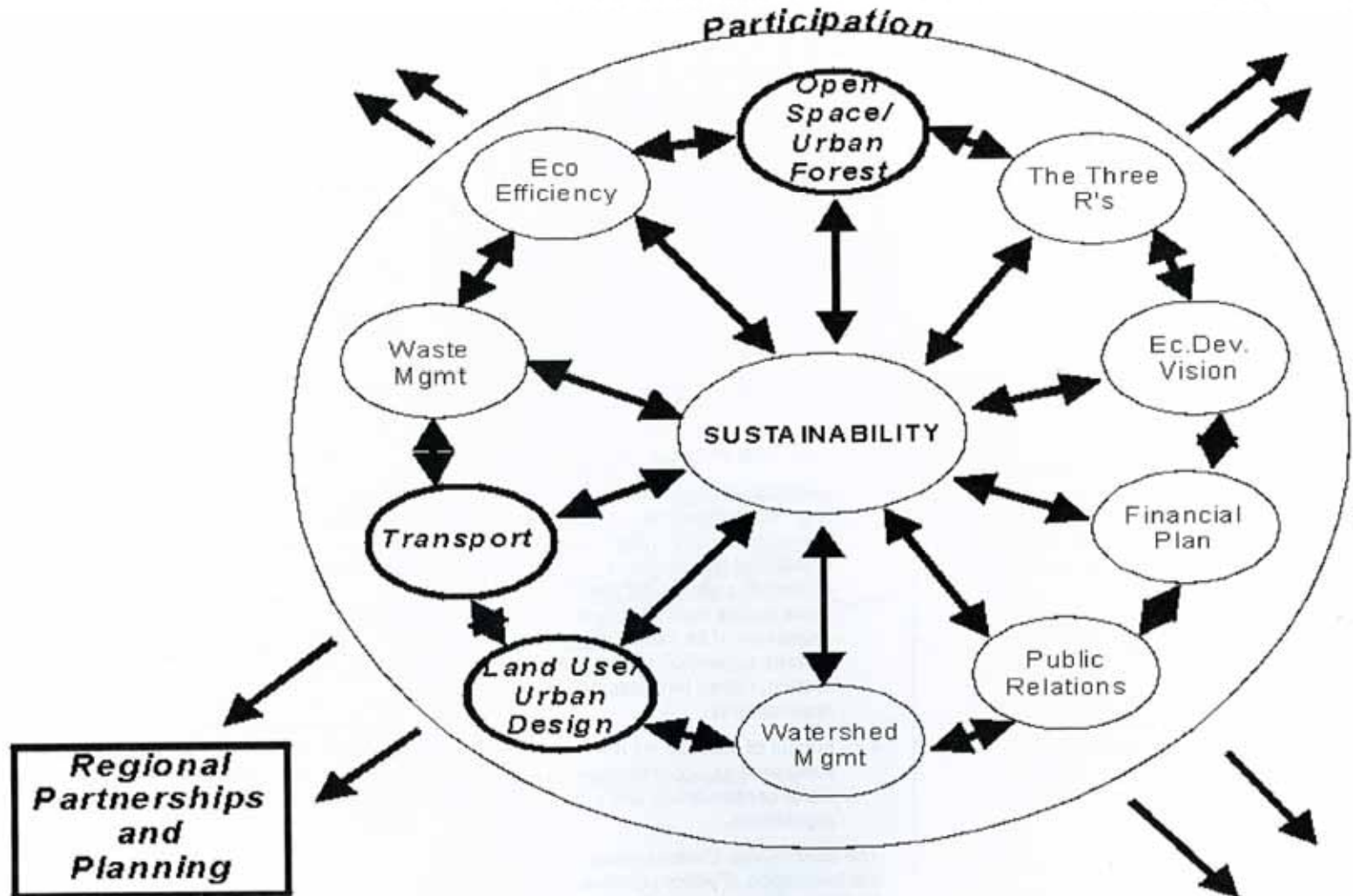
Four Foundations of *Sustainable Okotoks*

- Environmental Stewardship
- Economic Opportunity
- Social Conscience
- Fiscal Responsibility

**A balanced approach that recognizes trade-offs*

Legacy Plan

Sustainable Okotoks (1998)



Legacy Plan

In 1998, the MDP adopted a Strategic Growth Management Policy.

- Clear targets negotiated well in advance.
- Gradual, managed evolution of land use.
- 15 – 20 year build out.
- No significant annexation.
- Density targets for new development.
- Sustainable neighbourhood design.
- Comprehensive community plans.



Strategic Growth

Selected Targets from the MDP



- Build out population of **25,000 - 30,000**.
- Downtown as geographic centre, with 50% of the population north & 50% south of the river.
- **22%** Non residential assessment base.
- **20%** of total land area as open space.
- **100%** River valley lands owned by the Town.
- **11.5** Residential units per hectare/uph (4.6 units per acre/upa).
- **318 liters** (70 gallons) per capita water use per day.
- **20%** reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

Targets



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Where We Are Today



What have we achieved and where are we going?

- ✓ **Ten years of successful implementation of the Legacy Plan.**
- ✓ **Provincial Land Use Framework (April 2009).**
- ✓ **Calgary Regional Partnership (CRP).**
- ✓ **Calgary Regional Land Use Plan (CRLUP).**
- ✓ **Three growth scenarios for Okotoks.**



10 years of Success

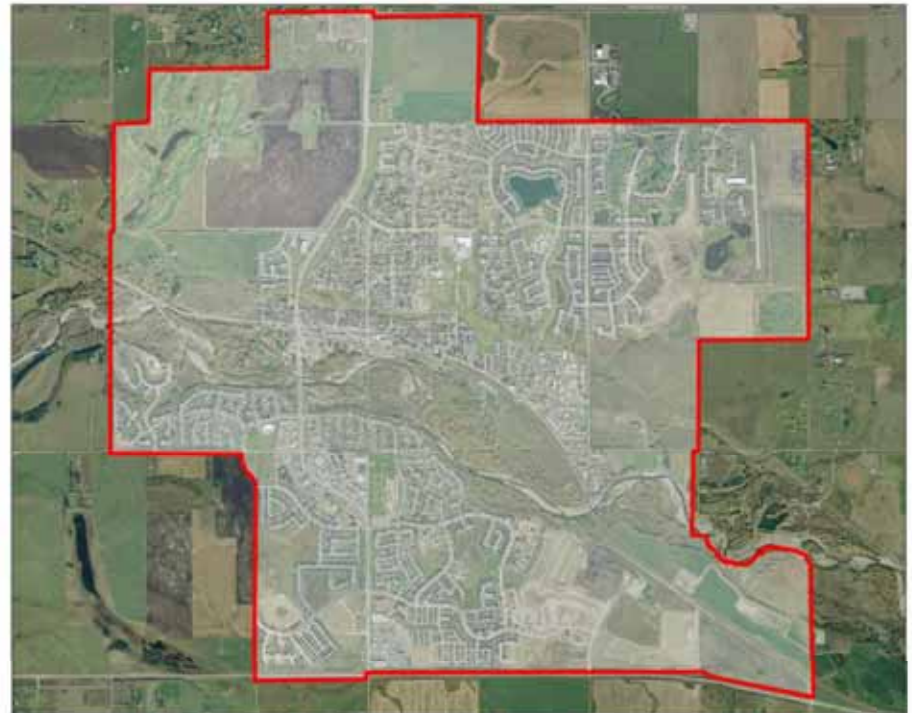
MDP Targets (Legacy Plan)	1998	2007	Under, Met or Exceed Target
22% Non-Residential Assessment	12.9%	13.9%	Room to improve.
30% Non-Traditional Housing	11.7%	36%	Achieved & exceed target.
100% of River Valley Lands Owned by Town	Less than 50%	Approx. 75%	Substantially meeting goal.
20% of Total Land Area as Open Space	23%	23%	Achieved & exceeded target.
11.5 Residential Units per Gross Hectare (4.6 upa)	Approx. 7.5 units per hectare (3 upa)	10 uph (4 upa)	Room to improve - Intensification.
318 Litres per Capita Water Use per Day 30% Reduction from 454 Litres per person/ day (1992)	502 litres	354 Litres 30% Reduction	30% - Achieved target in 2000 and met annually since.
20% Reduction in Greenhouse Gas Emissions	6,601,191 kg	4,173,25 kg	36.80% Reduction Achieved & exceeded target.

Town of Okotoks

1999



2007



10 years of growth

Results from 2006 Community Survey

- 89% of Residents are somewhat or very supportive of the Town's move towards Sustainability
- 90% of Residents are somewhat or aware of the Town's Sustainable Community Activities

The Areas most Important to Residents are:

- 82% Water Conservation
- 82% Recycling
- 78% Population Limit (25,000-30,000)
- 74% Community Development
- 73% Living within the carrying capacity of the Sheep River



10 years of success

Alberta Regional Planning Documents

- The Province is mandating regional planning through the **Land Use Framework**, to be adopted in April, 2009.
- Okotoks is located in the **South Saskatchewan Planning Region** of the Provincial Land Use Framework.
- Province's Priority - A **Calgary Regional Land Use Plan (CRLUP)**.



Provincial Mandate

Alberta Provincial Land Use Framework

The vision of the Land Use Framework is:

“Albertans work together to respect and care for the land as the foundation of our economic, environmental and social well-being.”

The desired outcomes are:

- Healthy economy supported by our land and natural resources
- Healthy ecosystems and environment
- People-friendly communities with ample recreational and cultural opportunities



Provincial Mandate

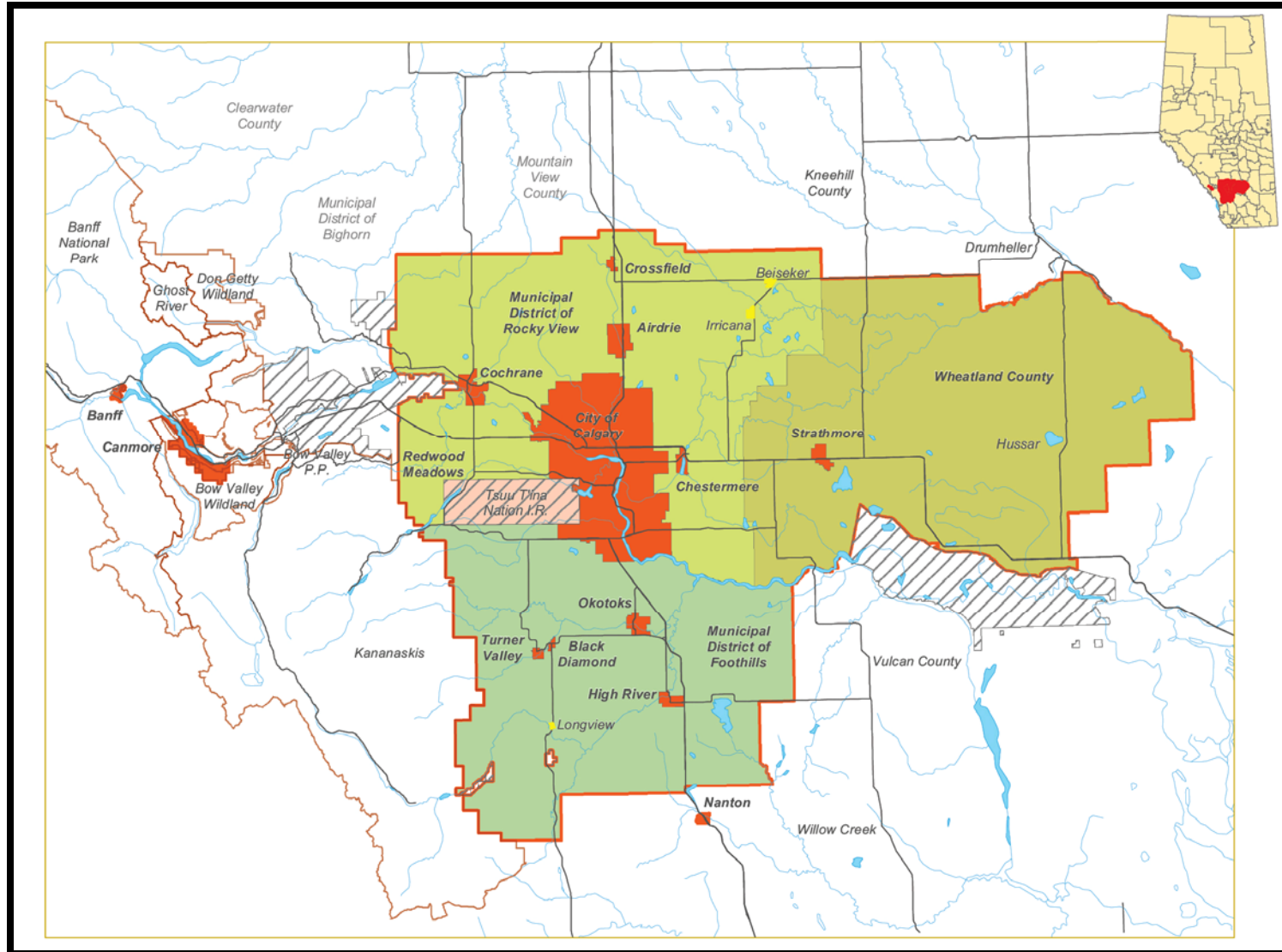
Alberta Provincial Land Use Framework

The 7 strategies identified in the Land Use Framework are:

1. Establish 7 regional land regions and plans
2. Create a land-use secretariat and establish a regional advisory council for each region
3. Manage the impacts of development on land, water and air
4. Develop a strategy for conservation and stewardship on private and public lands.
5. Promote efficient use of land to reduce the footprint of human activities on Alberta's landscape
6. Establish an information, monitoring and knowledge system to contribute to continuous improvement of land use planning and decision making
7. Inclusion of aboriginal peoples in land-use planning

Provincial Mandate

17 CRP Member Communities



- ✓ Airdrie
- ✓ Banff
- ✓ Black Diamond
- ✓ Calgary
- ✓ Canmore
- ✓ Chestermere
- ✓ Cochrane
- ✓ Crossfield
- ✓ High River
- ✓ M.D. of Foothills
- ✓ M.D. of Rocky View
- ✓ Nanton
- ✓ Okotoks
- ✓ Redwood Meadows
- ✓ Strathmore
- ✓ Tsuu T'ina Nation
- ✓ Turner Valley
- ✓ Wheatland

CRP Guiding Vision

We are working together to live in balance with a healthy environment in enriched communities, with sustainable infrastructure and a prosperous economy.



Leaders of each CRP municipality have agreed to take on tough issues of the region including:

Strategic Issues...



- Coordinated planning needed
- Complex inter-municipal relationships
- Environmental carrying capacity threatened
- Transportation pressures
- Infrastructure/servicing needs
- Stress on quality of life



The Need for a Plan

- To accommodate a future population for greater Calgary Region of 1.6 million people.
- No regional plan -- development as usual **125,000 new hectares.**
- Regional Plan – Managed growth pattern only **45,000 new hectares.**

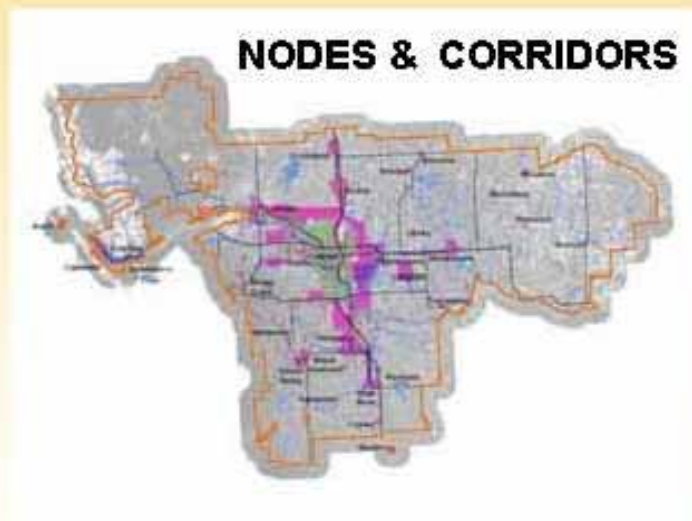
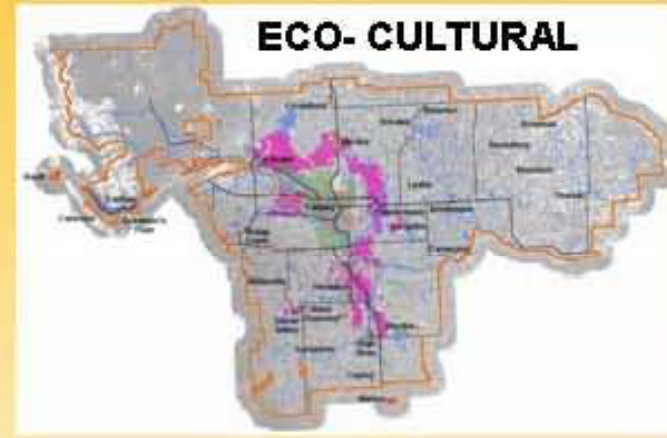
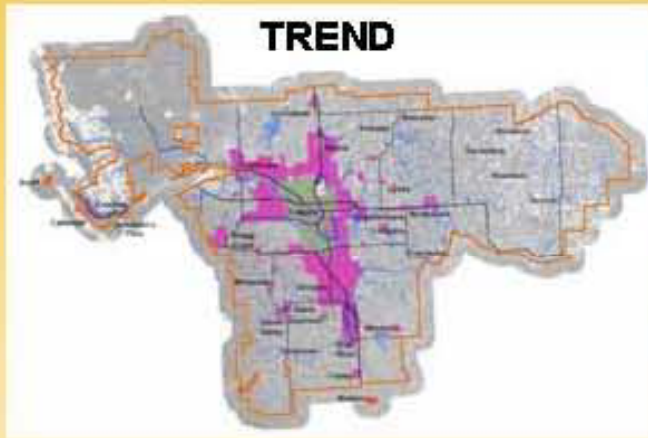


CRP proactively working together with its members...

- Since January 2006, our 17 member municipalities have been working on the CRLUP.
- Consultation with stakeholders and residents has occurred through the various land use settlement pattern scenarios.
- Three regional growth scenarios were brought to the stakeholders and residents for consultation.



Three Scenarios...



 Where growth would go



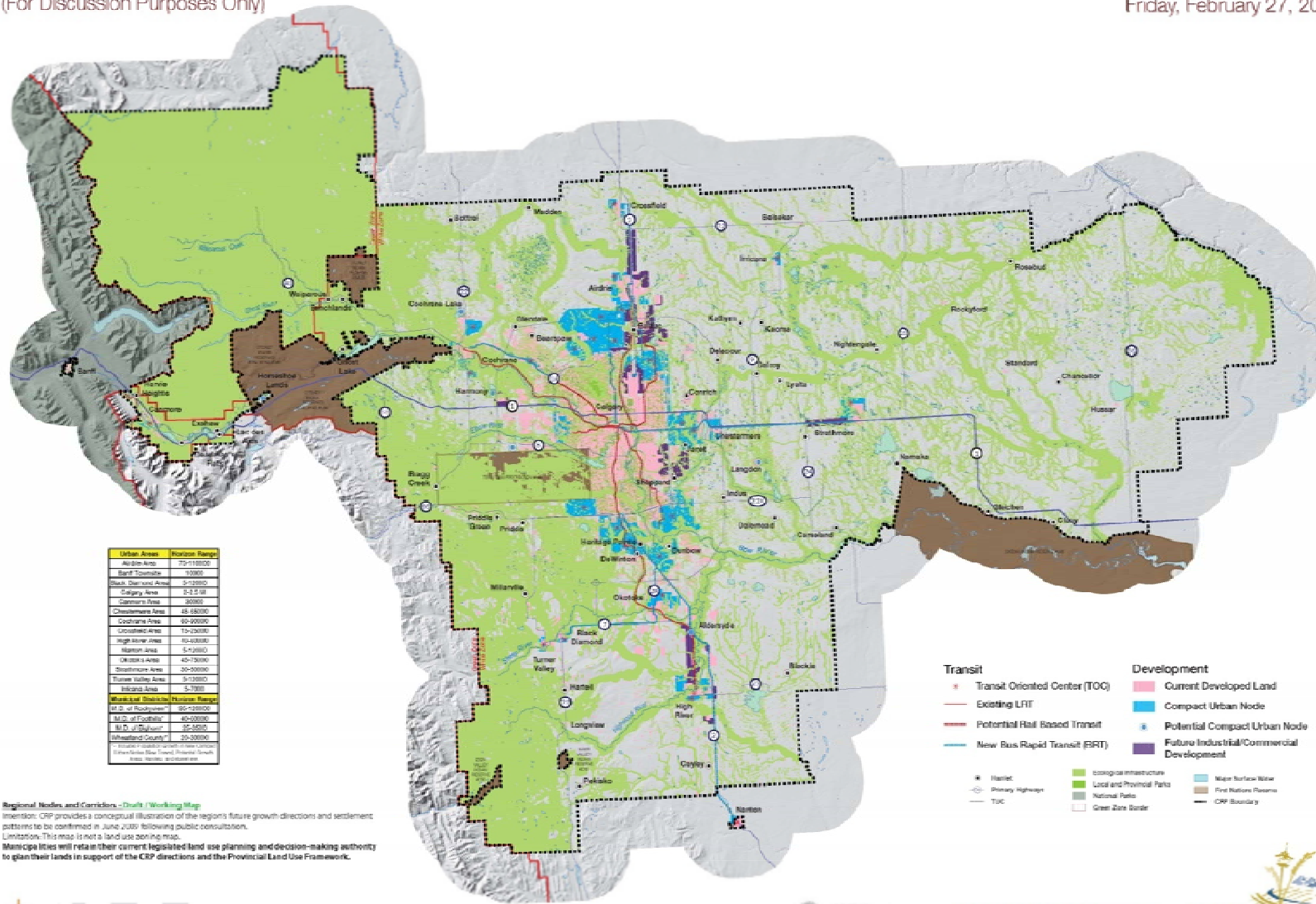
The RLUP Development Process

Planning Concept Map

(For Discussion Purposes Only)

Calgary Regional Plan (CRP)

Friday, February 27, 2009



Regional Nodes and Corridors - Draft / Working Map
 Note: CRP provides a conceptual illustration of the region's future growth directions and settlement patterns to be confirmed in June 2010 following public consultation.
 Limitation: This map is not a land use plan.
 Municipalities will retain their current legislated land use planning and decision-making authority to plan their lands in support of the CRP directions and the Provincial Land Use Framework.



Sub-Regional Section of Proposed RLUP





Who Implements the CRLU Plan?

Local Municipalities

- Local municipalities, through their MDP's, will retain their current legislated land use planning and decision making authority but will be guided by the Plan

The Calgary Regional Partnership

- Member municipalities will identify regional actions and determine targets and priorities and oversees modifications to local MDP's to ensure alignment with the CRLUP

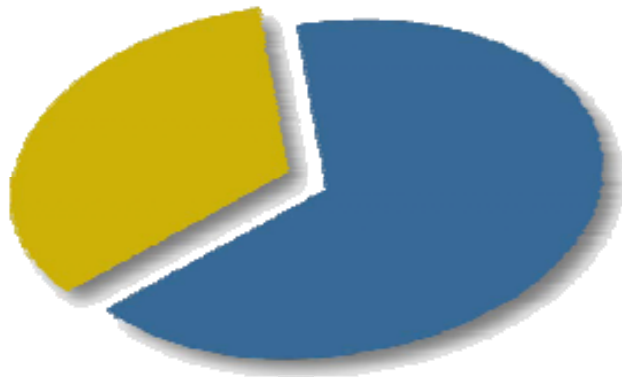
Province of Alberta

- The CRLU plan is under the Provincial Land Use Framework, aligns with the South Saskatchewan Regional Land Use Plan, and will be implemented under the Municipal Government Act

CRP Decision Making....

- Decisions to be by consensus, but capacity to make binding decisions if no consensus.
- Calgary cannot impose its will on the region, but neither can regional decisions be made without Calgary's support.

Super majority...



• **2/3 of CRP Members (12 of 17)**



• **50% of the population**





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Where to From Here?



Sustainable Okotoks – What Now?

To the residents of Okotoks

We have the questions frequently from both sides of a critical issue in our community. How expansion might be to exceed carrying capacity of the Sheep River? Will quality of life decrease with growth? Is growth in general good for the community?

In 1998, Okotoks made a decision about its future – one that capped population (approx. 30,000) at the limited limits of the Sheep River aquifer. That decision was based on extensive public consultation, the high cost (a regional pipeline) of exceeding carrying capacity, and a preservation of small town atmosphere when urban expansion in a community occurs.

The real Okotoks choice to avoid new programs, unique and lasting – and about much more than just a population cap. Today, whether it's a more balanced tax base, broader housing choice, a transportation treatment plan, a redevelopment strategy, or a "Dude Landing" local Community, we can all be proud of our collective accomplishments. Looking forward, we see a bright future. Along the way, we will need a new leadership by the Mayor and the Council to ensure that our community as a whole, the sustainability we have created with ambition and purpose has become an example for other communities in the region.

Our past can serve as a guideline for the future, but it may or may not be the future we should seek. Okotoks sits at an intersection created by our expanding urban area, carrying capacity, rapid population growth and associated challenges in the Calgary Region, and a commitment of our citizens to a sustainable future. Three options present us with choices that will have a profound impact on the development, direction and size of our community.

- We can accept a regional land use framework presently being developed by the Calgary Regional Partnership that restricts 50,000-60,000 people living in Okotoks within the next 30-35 years.
- We can maintain the status quo – capping population at carrying capacity of the Sheep River aquifer.
- We can modify Sustainable Okotoks to its maximum between status quo and a regional land use framework – a sub-regional option that would require changes to utility management, land use, and municipal working relationships within the Foothills Region.

Perhaps over a decade a decision this important comes along – one that impacts future generations. Okotoks Council will therefore work with a committee from the community by conducting an extensive public consultation program exploring the pros and cons of each option, starting with a series of weekly informational articles in the Western Wheel to help you gather your own thoughts about Okotoks' future. For additional information, dialogue with and between residents, and details of the upcoming public consultation process please visit www.okotoks.ca and "click" on "Sustainable Okotoks".

We're confident that with your help and input, our path forward can be as ambitious as the path we have traveled. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sustainable Okotoks (The Status Quo)

Council Considered the 2nd of 3 Development Options for Okotoks

This option considers history to be a guide for the future. A community survey in 1997 articulated a strong sense of community values. The limits of the Sheep River were well known. The cost to exceed carrying capacity was going to be significant. People wanted to be more than just a town. The vision of a sustainable Okotoks – a balanced approach to development that recognized trade-offs between environmental sustainability, economic opportunity, social cohesion, and fiscal responsibility – and a community that saw the world through the eyes of its children and grandchildren.

Key principles included: growth up, but not beyond carrying capacity of the Sheep River (approx. 30,000 residents); as urban boundaries at carrying capacity, no developer was using of infrastructure to service beyond carrying capacity; density targets for new development, then key planning documents emphasizing sustainability when design to reduce car use and improve social connectivity, and diverse and extensive activities – from shopping to housing preservation.

Over the years, support for a population limit based on carrying capacity has continued to be strongly supported in community surveys: 75% in 1998, 84% in 2000, and 77% in 2006.

Today, at 21,000 people, we are quickly approaching our population cap with new forces at play in our Region which have a number of implications if we maintain the status quo and the land use cap on population:

- the cost of regional utilities is avoided
- the population will age and facilities (including schools) may have to adjust their function
- while independent decision making is maintained we lose influence in the Region as our population continues to decrease
- the community remains highly desirable due to local environmental initiatives, local amenities and strong social connectivity
- there is some modest employment growth as industrial lands are built out
- the tax situation is affordable and sustainable.

Two critical issues are the acceleration of growth around our borders – including the potential straining of the municipal gas and the independence of energy utilities and decentralization of development approval.

Be in the know... as we can choose wisely now.

For more information on this matter go to www.okotoks.ca then "click" on "Sustainable Okotoks" where previous letters to residents, resident feedback and links to the Municipal Development Plan that is the framework for Sustainable Okotoks, etc.

Sustainable Okotoks – Transition

Council Considered the 3rd of 3 Development Options for Okotoks

You're sitting at the top light and start to think about the future of Okotoks. The status quo – the lower growth model – is the end light. A regional land use plan – a full growth option – is the green light. The subject of this article is the yellow light – the measured growth option.

As a Council we've wondered if there is a way to acknowledge the changing world and region we live in while staying in long established, well-supported sustainability principles in Okotoks. Enter a third option – a development model we call "The Foothills Extended Sub-Region" that has a central philosophy: we care, at Foothills communities (Okotoks, High River, Black Diamond, Turner Valley, M.D. of Foothills), band together to create a sustainable future for our region, while maintaining a principle of growth to be not beyond carrying capacity that includes the Sheep and Highwood River watersheds.

This model has several key features:

- A Foothills Region utility infrastructure co-managed by the Foothills communities
- Additional water licensing for the sub-region negotiated with the City of Calgary and the Province of Alberta
- The creation of a Foothills Region Plan framework to address commercial, transportation, residential, recreation, and infrastructure (e.g. firefighting/police) service needs while maintaining individual decision making autonomy

This scenario offers a number of trade-offs that govern "win" for multiple interests in the Foothills Region, including:

- accommodation of modest population growth in the Foothills Region, including Okotoks, address long-term carrying capacity in the Alberta corridor to create a significant employment base
- identification and preservation of environmentally sensitive lands
- addressing urban sprawl associated challenges in orderly and attractive development pattern; general improvement and extension of utility infrastructure.

It is envisioned under this scenario that Okotoks would have a population of 40,000 to 45,000 people by 2050.

Is this road challenging? Sure it is. Negotiations with our neighbouring communities may encounter road bumps. But Council is prepared to advance this option because we believe it best represents the highest hopes and aspirations of our residents. This option may appeal to Foothills Region residents compared to other scenarios, and will still work well with a regional land use framework and broader Calgary Region context.

Be in the know... as we can choose wisely now.

For more information on this matter go to www.okotoks.ca then "click" on "Sustainable Okotoks".

"Big" – and More Regional?

Council Considered the 1st of 3 Development Options for Okotoks

The year is 2075. There is between 90,000 and 100,000 people living in Okotoks – and 3 million in the Calgary Region. This is the future envisioned by a draft of a Regional Land Use Plan (RLUP) being created by the Calgary Regional Partnership (CRP) municipal members. What's driving the plan? Topping the list are rapid population growth, a desire to modify the existing pattern to reduce climate change, the natural resource that occurs in municipalities grow closer to each other and duration of regional services that may be more economical or offer quality of life advantages.

The RLUP focuses on population concentration in existing urban communities in an effort to reduce development on environmentally sensitive lands and to economize regional service provision.

Key implications for Okotoks could include:

- the principle of living within the carrying capacity of the Sheep River aquifer is removed
- perception of compromised small town atmosphere/local resources
- regional utility and transit services being provided
- regional utility and influence for Okotoks in the region
- expanded sphere of local employment
- potential for more local employment
- establishment of a regional service centre role
- some loss of independence and autonomy for decision making
- some possible taxpayer burden attached to regional servicing.

Urban growth would expand significantly beyond the current growth boundary and urban sprawl would be denser than current development patterns.

Sustainable Okotoks was created as a legacy for the region's children and grandchildren. Within a regional plan it may be possible to offer the potential to expand the legacy to the region's children and grandchildren. We may therefore collectively choose to require greater for sustainability policies that we consider to be important to us, while requiring a regional water supply, when environmental sustainability aspects could be maintained at a large scale.

This RLUP is the catalyst for our requirement to make a decision about Okotoks' future – whether we participate in this discussion or not and will need to be finalized in the Spring of 2009 pending further consultation and input from the member municipalities.

Be in the know... as we can choose wisely now.

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Public Information & Consultation Sessions

Come out and learn more about the future options for our community so that you can make an informed decision and provide feedback in the upcoming Household Survey.

Calgary Regional Partnership Session

Tuesday, March 3 • 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Council Chambers (5 Elizabeth Street)

The CRP will present the proposed Regional Land Use Plan and then obtain feedback.

Town of Okotoks Sessions

Thursday, March 12 • 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Council Chambers (5 Elizabeth Street)

Saturday, March 14 • 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Okotoks Recreation Centre (99 Okotoks Drive)

This is a drop in format, with a formal presentation at 11:00 am

At these Town sessions, a presentation will be provided which will include an overview of the CRP's Regional Land Use Plan, the 1998 Municipal Development Plan and Inter-municipal Development Plan and a few highlights of the changes necessary to facilitate the various growth scenarios. These sessions will provide information, as well as opportunities for public inquiries and discussion of past and future plans for Okotoks.

To participate in the public online discussion forum, visit www.okotoks.ca, then "click" on "Have Your Say on the Town Blog" on the front page.

The Choice – Our Future?

Public Consultation Process to Determine Okotoks' Direction

It's been said that the future isn't something we create, it's something we inherit. We have inherited some serious challenges in our community. We have inherited some serious challenges in our region. We have inherited some serious challenges in our world. We have inherited some serious challenges in our future. We have inherited some serious challenges in our children and grandchildren's future. We have inherited some serious challenges in our world. We have inherited some serious challenges in our future. We have inherited some serious challenges in our children and grandchildren's future.

We will be increasing a public consultation process with full input in the value of better consultation about the pros and cons of choices, and the generation of a mandate for Council based on a preference indicated by the community.

We want to advise you of the following opportunities to become informed about Okotoks' development options, and to voice your opinion:

- Information about development options can be found at www.okotoks.ca then "click" Sustainable Okotoks along with an online "Sustainable Okotoks – What Now?" comment & discussion forum.
- A Calgary Regional Partnership presentation regarding the region's future is scheduled for February 10, 2009.
- February 2009 public information sessions to announce and present all options and information to date, answer resident's questions and gather feedback.
- March 4, 2009 – a household survey that will allow residents to make a choice regarding a preferred development option.
- June, 2009 – feedback regarding Town direction provided to the Calgary Regional Partnership.
- A decision process for the Municipal Development Plan, Inter-municipal Development Plan, and Land Use Bylaw will begin.

It is critical for our community to remember that while this process generates a decision about our community's future, Okotoks has 12 years of increasingly accelerated urban growth in both, implementing more than 100 sustainability initiatives. In other words, the population cap is just one component of a very broad initiative that we as a community have worked very hard to meet over the last decade. To continue with the legacy of Sustainable Okotoks, Council is committed to working with the community to implement an already ambitious sustainability vision.

Let us work together with purpose, and resolve – and together – an ambitious new set of carrying capacity that will guide our way forward. We encourage you to plan to attend one of the public information sessions to help you make an informed decision about our community's future.

- Mayor Bill McAlpine
- Councillor Stephen Clark
- Councillor Beth Kish
- Councillor Nayera Lewis
- Councillor Bill Robertson
- Councillor Ed Sands
- Councillor Ralph Wilson



Status Quo Scenario - 30,000

(The Legacy Plan)

- Continue to live within the capacity of the Sheep River (water licenses required).
- Planned annexation of approximately 290 acres/117 ha.
- Need to grow non-residential assessment to achieve 22% target and provide additional local employment opportunities.
- Achieves housing mix of 30% non-traditional housing.
- Regional transit in the form of rail may not be feasible, however a regional and local bus service may be implemented.
- Continued Residential density consistent with MDP growth management target (4.6 upa or 11.5 uph).
- Anticipate that build-out population will be reached by 2017.
- Approximately 30,000 of CRLUP's projected population growth not accommodated within the Town's boundary which likely increases growth pressure in close proximity to the Town's boundary.
- 2030 Financial analysis indicated financial sustainability is achievable.

Tweaked Scenario - 45,000

(Modified Growth Boundary)

- Require increase in water capacity through increased licensing or aquifer storage and/or sub regional system.
- Annexation of approx 730 acres (300 ha) can be initiated through strategic growth management/ phasing over next 30 years, based upon water capacity.
- Opportunity to exceed 22% non-residential assessment and increased employment opportunities with increased population.
- Support regional transit system most likely in form of rail and/or express and local bus system.
- Some opportunities for transit-oriented development.
- Intensifying residential density from 5 upa (12 uph) to 8 upa (20 upa) over time, thus meeting and exceeding the MDP growth management goals (11.5 uph).
- This population horizon likely reached by 2039.
- Approximately 15,000 of CRLUP's projected population growth not accommodated within the Town's boundary which likely increases growth pressure in close proximity to the Town's boundary.
- Growth will result in additional revenue and costs to provide more sub-regional infrastructure. Provincial funding partnerships are necessary.

CRLUP Scenario - 60,000

(Full Growth)

- Will most likely require a regional water pipeline.
- Annexation of approx 1667 acres (675 ha) can be initiated through strategic growth management/ phasing over next 30 years, based upon water capacity.
- Opportunity to exceed 22% non-residential assessment and increased employment opportunities with increased population.
- Regional transit likely to be rail with a supporting local transit system.
- More opportunities for transit oriented development.
- Requires intensification from 5 upa (12 uph) to 8 upa (20 uph) to manage growth in a sustainable manner.
- Housing mix would be greater than 30% multifamily and non-traditional forms.
- This population horizon likely reached by 2076
- All CRLUP projected population growth could be accommodated in the Town's boundary with some annexation.
- Growth will result in additional revenue and costs to provide regional infrastructure. Provincial & Federal funding partnerships are necessary.

The 3 Scenarios Compared to 4 Foundations of Sustainable Okotoks (1998 MDP)

Sustainability Foundations	Status Quo (The Legacy Plan) 2019 - 30,000	Tweaked (Modified Growth Boundary) 2039 - 45,000	CRLUP (Full Growth) 2076 - 60,000
Environmental Stewardship	Current Environmental Principals	Sub-Regional Environmental Stewardship Role	Regional Environmental Stewardship Role
Economic Opportunity	Encourage diversification	Opportunity for economic diversity	Opportunity for economic diversity
Social Conscience	Maintain principles. With growth comes opportunity (culturally and recreationally) and potential challenges (perception of safety), a balanced approach is required.		
Fiscal Responsibility	2030 plan	Modifications to Town operating costs & revenues. Potential Provincial funding partnerships.	All proposed infrastructure needs funding from Provincial &/or Federal Government

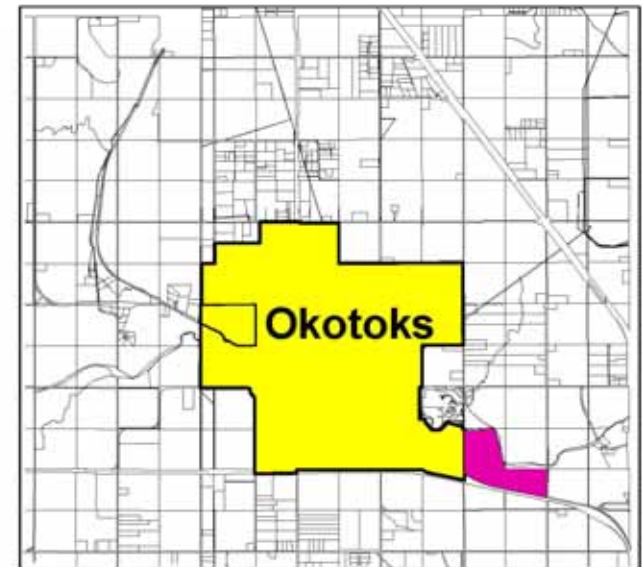
The 3 Scenarios Compared to 1998 MDP

MDP Growth Management	Status Quo (The Legacy Plan) 2019 - 30,000	Tweaked (Modified Growth Boundary) 2039 - 45,000	CRLUP (Full Growth) 2076 - 60,000
Clear targets negotiated in advance	Town achieved locally	Town and CRP achieved in regional role	Town and CRP Achieved in regional role
Gradual, managed evolution of land use	Does not deal with population growth pressures on Town's boundaries. Achieves Legacy Plan	Phasing possible based upon water capacity. Can be achieved	Phasing possible based upon water capacity. Can be achieved
15-20 year build out	Legacy Plan will achieve build out but no long term solution for long term projected population (CRLUP)	Accommodates half of the long term projected population (CRLUP) an additional 15,000 people	Accommodates full long term projected population of an additional 30,000 people
No significant annexation	290 ac (117 ha)	730 acres (300 ha)	1667 acres (675 ha)
Density targets for new development	4.0	5.0 to 8.0	5.0 to 8.0
Sustainable neighbourhood design	Least transit oriented design	Moderate transit oriented design	Most transit oriented design
Comprehensive community plans	Meets Legacy Plan and some CRLUP objectives	Incorporates majority CRLUP objectives	Meets the CRLUP objectives

Impacts of Projected Population on Lands Outside of Okotoks



STATUS QUO (LEGACY PLAN)	"TWEAKED" (MODIFIED GROWTH BOUNDARY)	CALGARY RLUP (FULL GROWTH)	TREND (CURRENT REGIONAL GROWTH PATTERN)
POPULATION: RURAL-18,000 URBAN-30,000 TOTAL-48,000	POPULATION: RURAL-10,500 URBAN-45,000 TOTAL-55,500	POPULATION: RURAL-3,000 URBAN-60,000 TOTAL-63,000	POPULATION: RURAL-3,000 URBAN-60,000 TOTAL-63,000



- EXISTING FOOTPRINT (in 1/4 Sections)
- ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT (in 1/4 Sections)
- POTENTIAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT NEAR OKOTOKS (in 1/4 Sections)

(1/4 Section= 64.75 ha or 160 acres)

Some issues to be considered for future generations and a Sustainable Okotoks....

What are the impacts of each of the 3 options - status quo, modest growth, full growth and how do they affect each of the following:

- **Regional ↔ Local Infrastructure**

(e.g. water, transit, & other services required to service projected regional population growth).

- **Values**

(e.g. autonomy, sustainable development, environmental sensitivity, quality of life, social conscience, 'small town' atmosphere, harmony and prosperity, etc).

- **Settlement patterns**

(e.g. transit oriented development, increased non-traditional housing forms, increased land-used intensity towards 10 upa).

- **Regional leadership**

(e.g. environmental stewardship, improve upon our sustainability goals).



Process

- **March 3** CRP Presentation
- **March 12+14** Okotoks Presentation-where to from here?
- **March** CRP Public consultation
- **April** Community Survey
- **April/May** Summarize community input + prepare council report
- **May** Report to Council for CRP recommendations
- **May** Council make recommendations to CRP
- **June** Refine draft CRLUP
- **June 19** CRP executive adopt CRLUP





*"We didn't inherit the Earth from our parents.
We're borrowing it from our children."*

Chief Seattle (1788-1866)