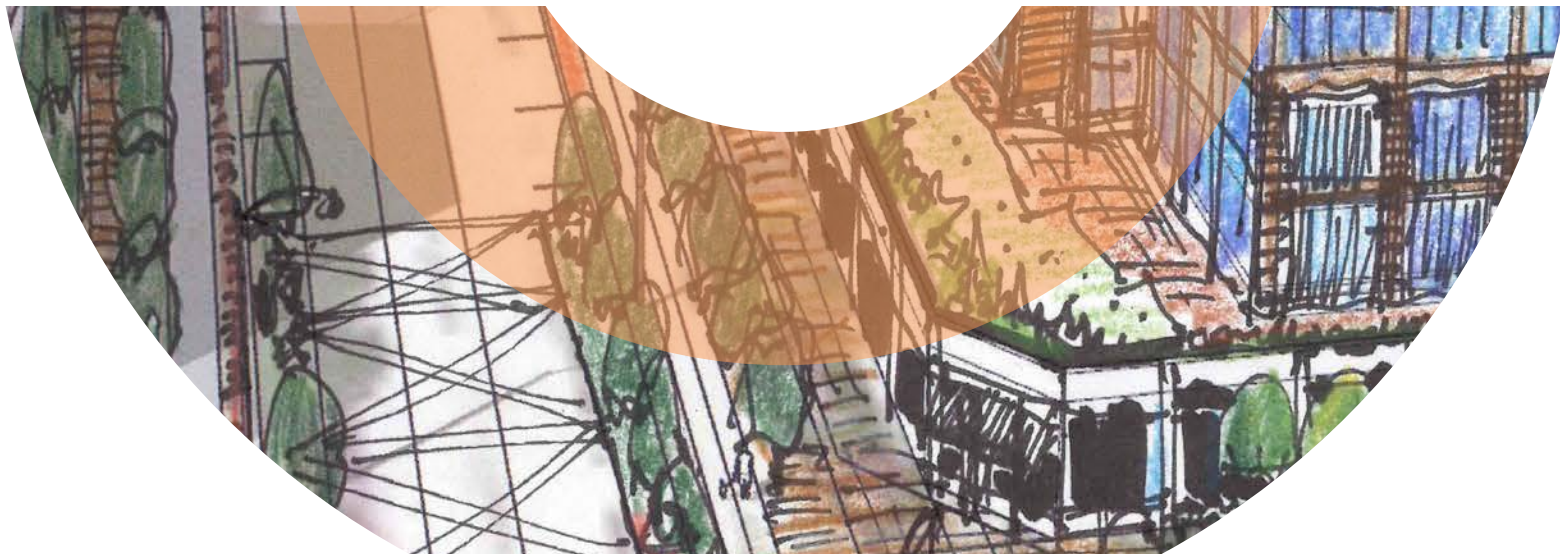


GROWTH MANAGEMENT IN THE OFFICIAL PLAN

Status of the Regional Structure and Settlement Area Boundary Review



OUTLINE



The Growth Management Program



Next Steps and Engagement



Takeaways

The **Growth Management Program** will modernize Niagara's Official Plan to align with Regional priorities and Provincial policies.



Make Niagara more affordable.



Make Niagara more competitive.

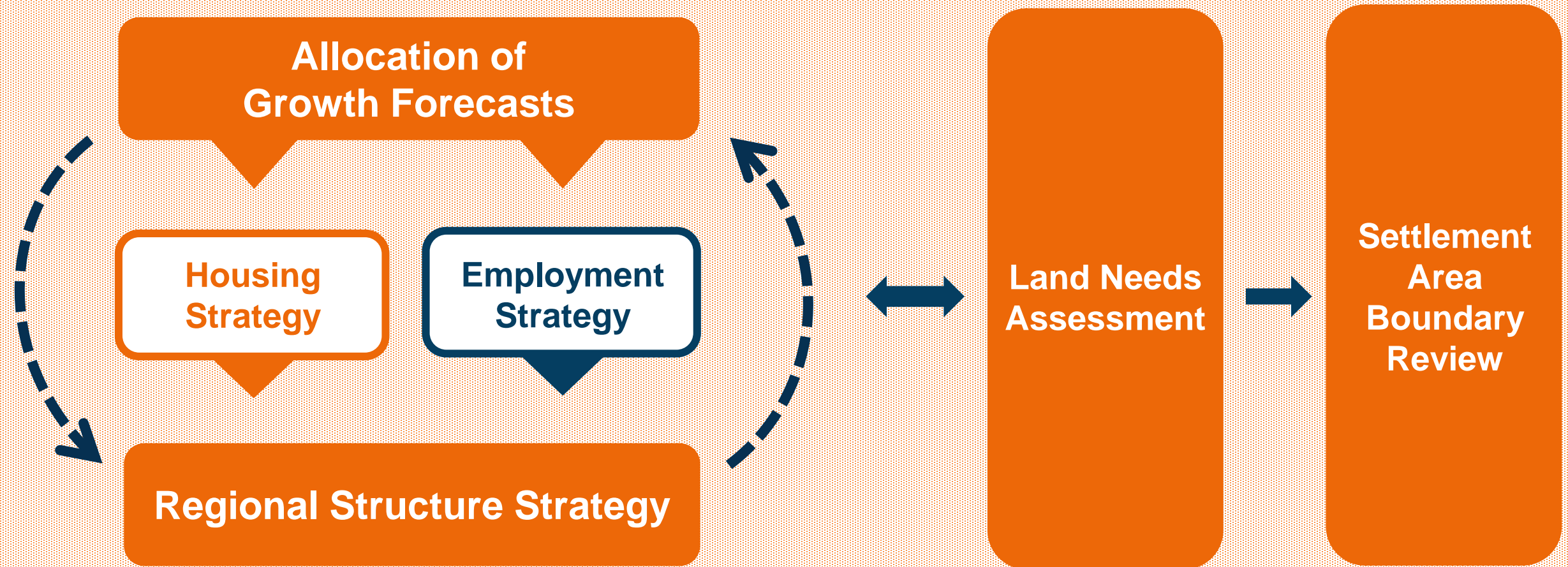


Coordinate infrastructure planning.



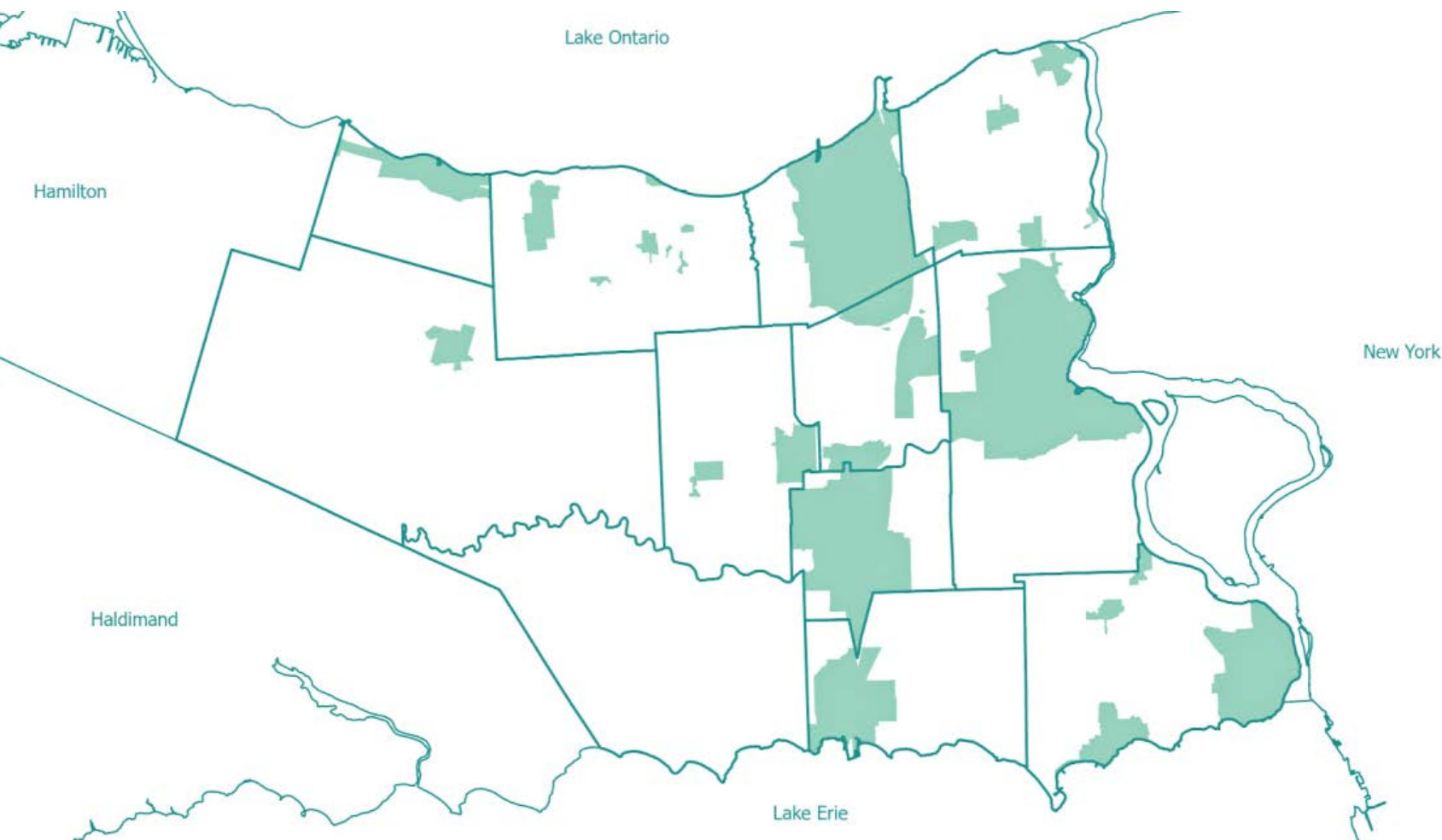
Protect Niagara's natural and rural systems.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES



NATURAL AND RURAL SYSTEM STUDIES

Natural Environment, Watershed Planning, Climate Change, Agriculture, and Archaeological Management



The **Settlement Area Boundary Review** uses the results of the Land Needs Assessment to determine the most appropriate locations for Settlement Area expansions.

Regional Structure Background Report

PDS 28-2020

Outlines the status of the Regional Structure, its relationship to the new Official Plan, and key points of engagement.

Settlement Area Boundary Review Program Update Report

PDS 29-2020

Describes Growth Plan Amendment 1 and outlines the work plan for the land needs assessment and Settlement Area Boundary Review.

PLANNING MANDATE FOR GROWTH MANAGEMENT IN NIAGARA

ONTARIO HOUSING SUPPLY ACTION PLAN



NIAGARA 2041

Niagara 2041 is based on existing growth forecasts, and informs the following studies:

WATER/WASTEWATER MASTER SERVICING PLAN

TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN

DEVELOPMENT CHARGE BACKGROUND STUDY

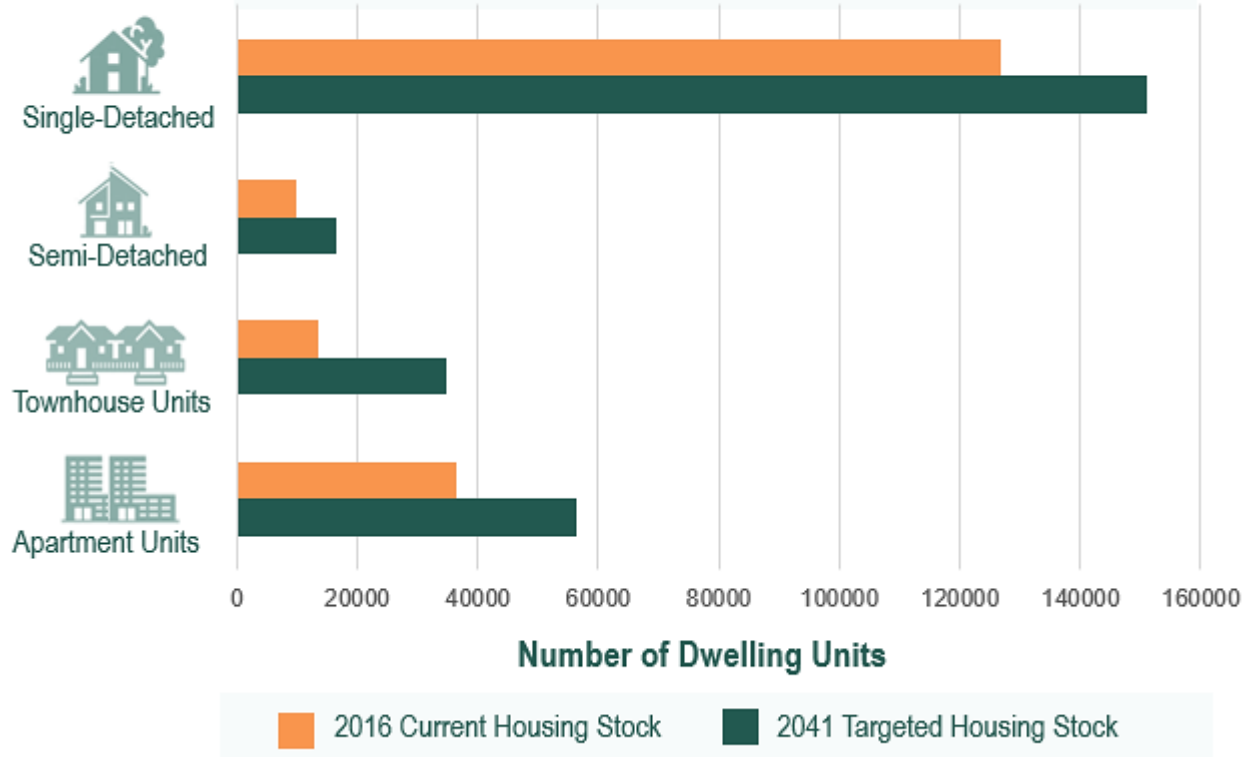
NIAGARA 2051

Proposed Amendment 1 to the Growth Plan introduces new growth forecasts for Niagara.

10 YEAR EXTENSION

HIGHER GROWTH RATE

Share of Dwelling Types in Niagara, 2016 versus 2041



MORE DENSE FORMS OF
HOUSING ARE NEEDED TO
ADDRESS AFFORDABILITY IN
NIAGARA

Core Housing Need currently affects
over **13%** of households in Niagara.



The Regional Structure will establish **density and intensification targets** for specific areas.



Focusing growth and development to specific areas, like Downtowns and GO Station sites, helps meet growth management priorities.

Directs growth to certain areas within Settlement Area boundaries

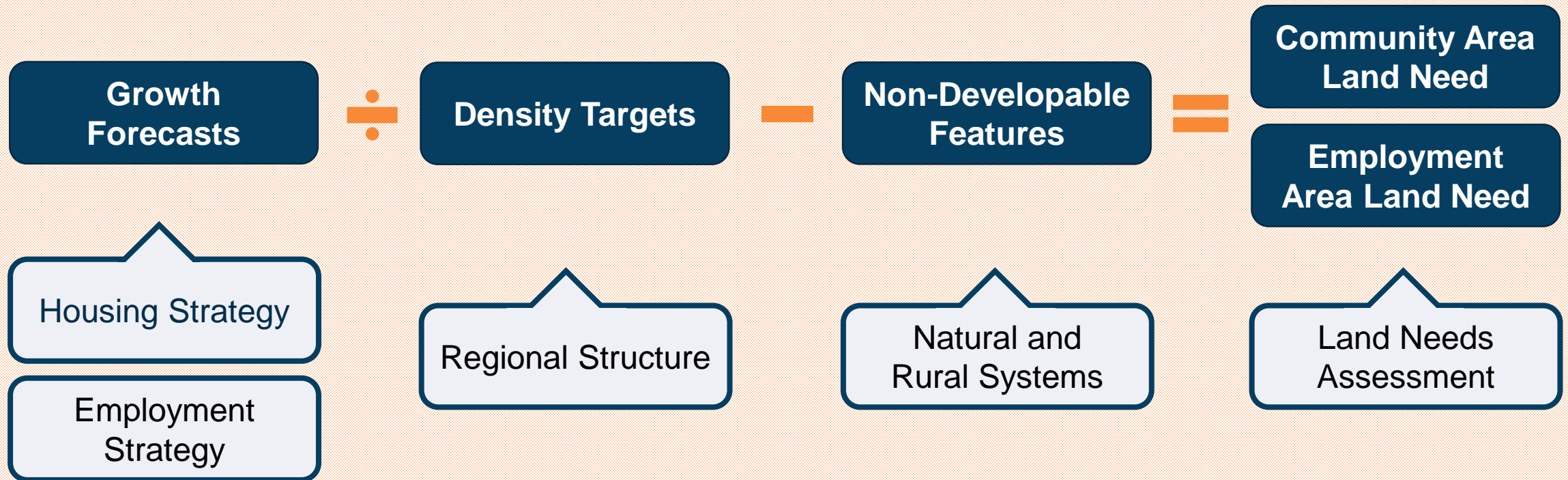
Identifies the intensification and density targets required by the Growth Plan

Supports the achievement of complete communities through policy development



The Land Needs Assessment Process

The Land Needs Assessment refers to a Provincial methodology used to calculate the overall amount of Settlement Area land required for growth forecasts.



COMPETITIVE REGION

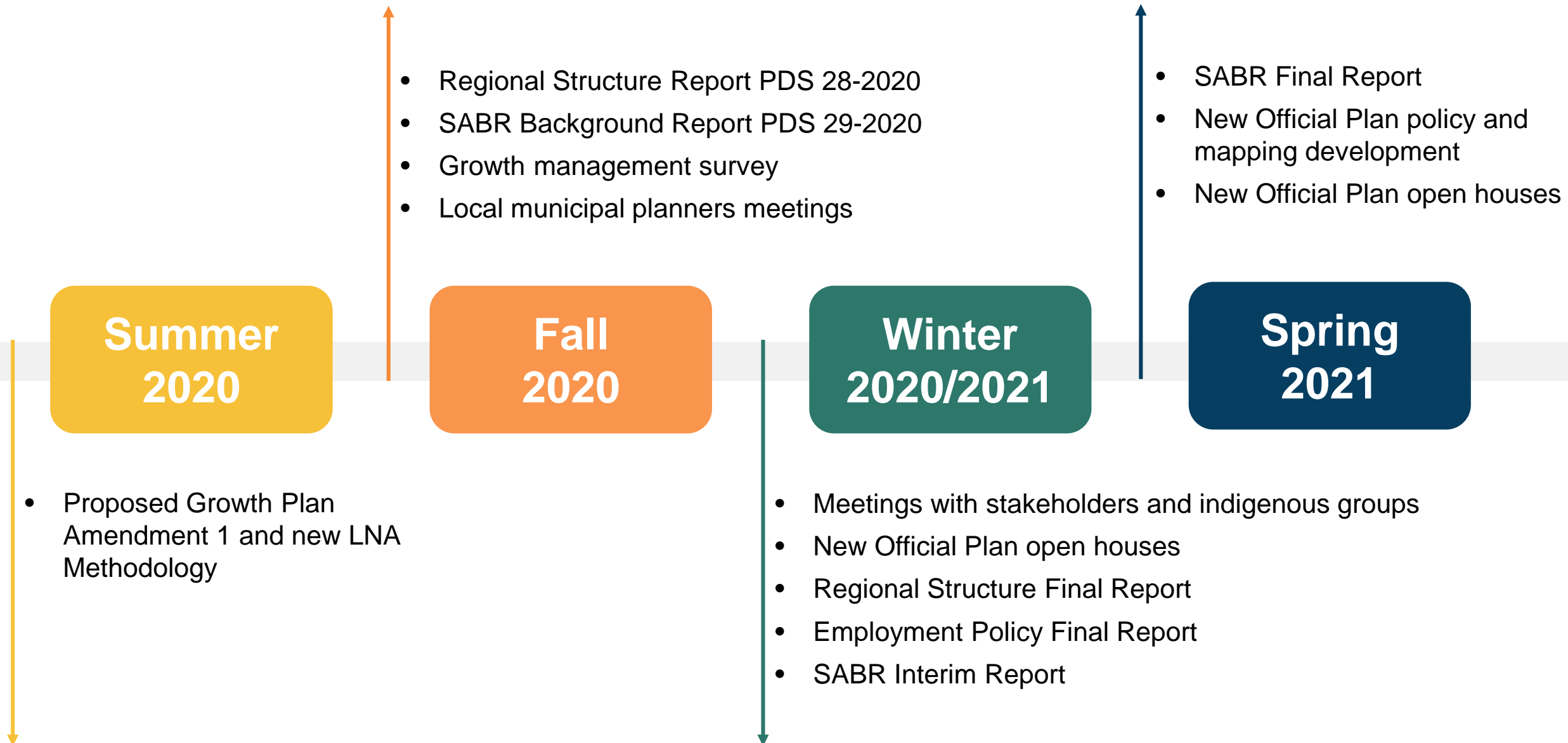
Policies and mapping to guide economic development and employment. The Employment Strategy will inform this section.



GROWING REGION

Policies and mapping to guide growth and development. The Regional Structure and the Housing Strategy will inform this section

NEXT STEPS AND ENGAGEMENT



TAKEAWAYS



The Region is required to accommodate a minimum amount of future growth in the new OP.



We need to make housing more affordable by facilitating the development of more dense forms of housing.



Amendment 1 introduces new population and employment forecasts to a planning horizon of 2051.



Conformity to the Growth Plan must be achieved within existing timeframes. The Regional Structure and SABR are critical to this work.



Substantive engagement is planned for the Fall and Winter. After that, staff will make recommendations on these strategies to Committee.