



# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

## Supplementary Agenda Thursday, June 5, 2025

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### ADJOURNMENT



# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors Supplementary

**To:** Chair and Board  
**From:** Danielle Patterson, Senior Planner  
**Date:** June 5, 2025  
**Subject:** **Peace River Regional District Referral  
Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 2571, 2025**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** **(all/directors/majority)**

That the Board accepts the Peace River Regional District's Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 2571, 2025 as proposed.

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Peace River Regional District (PRRD) is in the process of adopting their first Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) (see the Attachment). Pursuant to section 436(1) of the *Local Government Act*, the RGS cannot be adopted until it has been accepted by all affected local governments, including adjoining regional districts.

## **DISCUSSION**

The PRRD's RGS identified eleven actions to consider undertaking over the shorter-term (one to five years) and longer-term (five to 10+ years). These potential implementation actions for the PRRD include:

- Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Update,
- Updated Development Permit Areas – Lakeshore Development,
- Parkland Acquisition Policy,
- Rural Settlement Centre Study,
- Regional Natural Hazard and Climate Assessment,
- Regional Parks and Trails Master Plan Update,
- Regional Employment Lands Strategy,
- Regional Housing Plan,
- PRRD Regional Transportation Plan,

- PRRD Regional Agriculture Strategy, and
- PRRD Regional Economic Development Strategy.

The PRRD's RGS encourages growth the City of Fort St. John and the City of Dawson Creek as the main urban centres, while supporting growth in the smaller member municipalities.

The RDBN has an adjoining border with the PRRD in Electoral Area C (Fort St. James Rural) which are lands covered by the Omineca Settlement Corridor Official Community Plan, Bylaw No. 1660, 2003 (the OCP). As neither the RDBN's OCP nor the PRRD's RGS promote urban density in the adjoining areas, the RGS is consistent with the RDBN's OCP. The PRRD's RGS does not raise any land use planning interface issues or other concerns relating to the RDBN. Given this, planning staff recommend the RDBN Board resolve to accept the PRRD's RGS.

#### **ATTACHMENT**

- Peace River Regional District Regional Growth Strategy ([link](#))