

Table 1. Regional Context Statement Evaluation Framework



LGA	RCS Content	Relationship to Legislative Requirement For CRD Board consideration		
		All relevant content is included	Clearly articulates relevant content	Plan to be consistent over time
429(2)(a)	Identify how the OCP relates to the RGS vision on p. 1 of the RGS.	Identifies relationship to vision and objectives. The RCS articulates specific topic areas from the RGS.	Identifies how the 10 strategic directions are implemented.	N/A
429(2)(b)	Identify how the OCP relates to the projections provided in Table 1 of the RGS.	RCS identifies a general alignment between the population projections and RGS projections.	The RCS elected to note only the population projections but aligns with RGS projections at the municipal and sub-regional level. Note the population projections are the basis for housing projections.	N/A
Managing and Balancing Growth (Objectives 1.1 & 1.2)				
429(2)(c) and (d); 429(3)	Identify how the OCP relates to the RGS.	RCS reflects all relevant OCP content.	The District has lands within both the Urban Containment Boundary Policy Area and the Rural/Rural Residential Policy Area. Policies for nodal, compact development with an emphasis on provision of commercial services within walking, wheeling or cycling distance of residents align with RGS urban containment policy. Lands within the Renewable Resource Lands Policy Area will be protected through nodal development and maintaining rural areas and their natural systems.	N/A

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	Environment and Infrastructure (Objective 2.1 & 2.2)				
			N/A		
	RCS reflects all relevant policy areas, and OCP policies.	<p>The RCS identifies policies that emphasize preservation, protection and management of the natural environment and ecosystems in alignment with the Capital Green Lands Policy Area identified on RGS Map 3a.</p> <p>Policies support habitat restoration, greenways and tree cover.</p> <p>The RCS identifies a focus on long term infrastructure plans to increase efficiency through higher density in strategic areas to ensure compact development and minimize need for new infrastructure.</p>			
	Housing and Community (Objectives 3.1 & 3.2)				
	OCP policies meet the criteria for maintaining a complete community.	<p>Mixed use centres and villages at different scales is the key policy approach that meets the criteria for a complete community. Policies specifically encourage a diverse range of housing by type and tenure. A secondary suites policy increase access to affordable rental units. Partnerships with senior governments increase support services and supports the RGS targets.</p>		Will consider the target for number of people in complete communities in a future OCP review.	

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Transportation (Objective 4.1)				
				N/A
	Content reflects the Regional Transportation Plan and multi modal transportation network.		Policies support a strong land use pattern and multi modal transportation using corridors with a mix of active transportation modes.	
Economic Development (Objective 5.1)				
				N/A
	The RCS references OCP policies and summarizes the relationship between the OCP policies and RGS policies.		Policies support diverse economic opportunities in commercial, services, research, high tech and industrial areas. A specific focus is to preserve the industrial land base.	
Food and Agricultural Systems (Objective 6.1)				
				N/A
	Policy citations are accurate.		Policies recognize agriculture as a significant contributor to the region's landscape and identity. Land preservation and land use regulations preserve agricultural lands, and supports buffering agricultural land from other uses. OCP policies support the implementation of the Saanich Agriculture & Food Security Plan.	

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Climate Action (Objective 7.1)		
		
	Content reflects policy citation, and policy relationships.	N/A
		Policies support reducing community greenhouse gas emissions, reducing impacts from public and private buildings, energy efficient technologies, renewable energy sources, energy efficient systems, compact communities and active transportation modes. The OCP targets aligns with and contributes to the RGS target.