

Grays Harbor County 2027 Comprehensive Land Use Plan

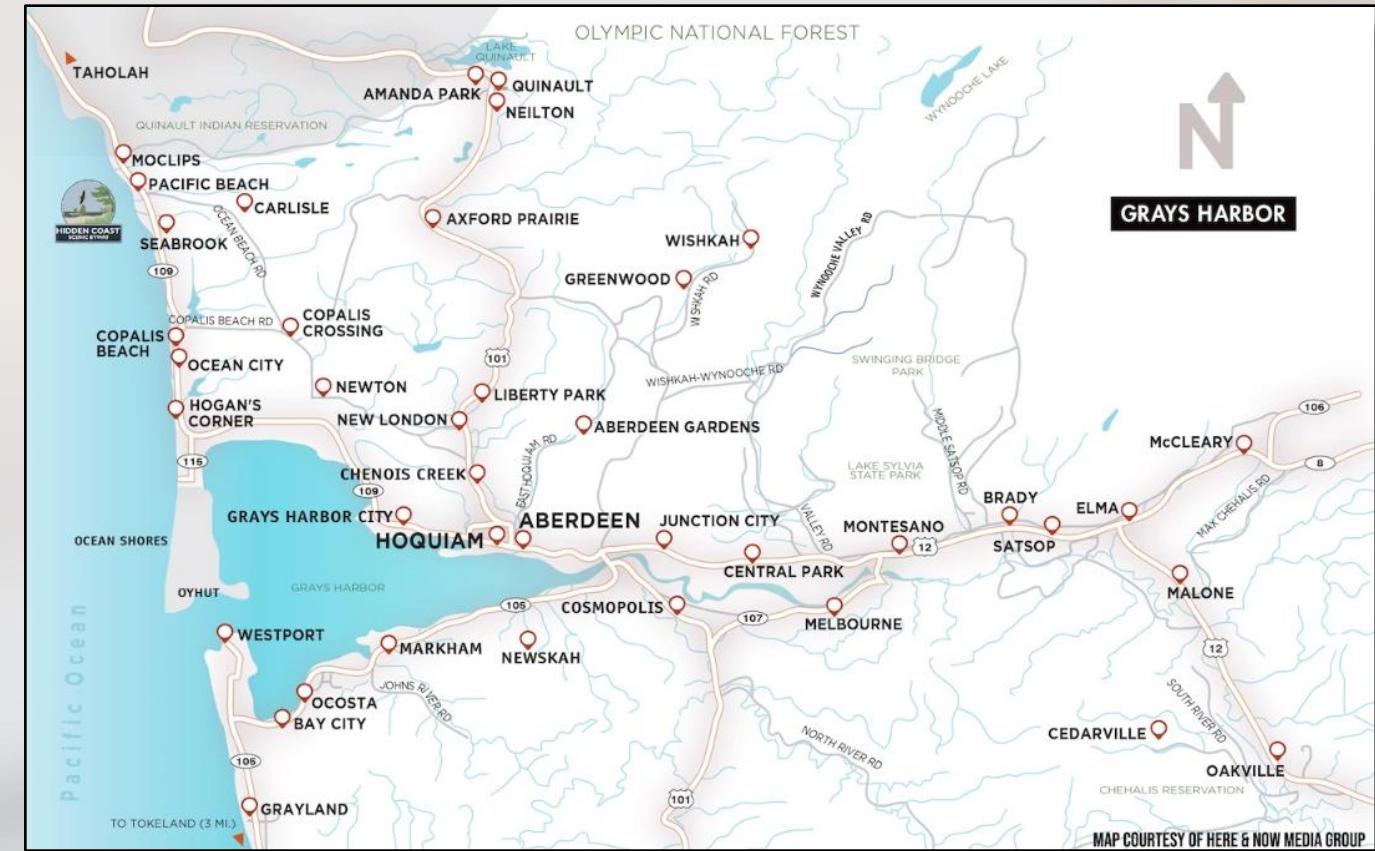
Planning Commission meeting

October 7, 2025



Project overview

- New Comprehensive Land Use Plan and development regulations
- Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to comply with State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) requirements
- Public engagement throughout the process – from visioning, to drafting, to finalizing the Comp Plan





Engagement in key project phases

Project phase	Engagement approach
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Draft Comp Plan and regulations and Draft EIS comment periods Feb - Mar 2026	Involve: Public comment periods allow public/stakeholders to share their desires, values, ideas
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Visioning engagement overview

576 people reached

In-person events

- 4 events
- 53 attendees

Online survey

- 526 survey responses
- Survey concluded Aug. 15, 2025



[Link to interactive map](#)



Visioning engagement overview

- Preservation of rural lifestyle
- Affordable and variety of housing across income levels
- More job growth and living wage jobs
- Opportunities for economic development and revitalization
- Improved public infrastructure and services
- Protected nature and wildlife
- Increased public safety, and solutions for crime and homelessness
- More community gathering spaces and activities, especially youth focused
- More transportation options, including non-motorized
- Improved internet services and access
- Support for thoughtful tourism and coastal development
- Deregulation and more government transparency
- Community-led decision making



Vision statement - draft

Grays Harbor County will be a vibrant community that preserves its rural character and local identity while embracing new opportunities and well-planned growth. We highly value our beautiful natural surroundings and recognize the importance of balancing land uses to protect environmentally sensitive areas while supporting development. A variety of housing options, living wage jobs, and shops, services and community spaces will make Grays Harbor County a pleasant and thriving place to live, work and visit. A mix of vehicle, bicycle, pedestrian, and transit options will provide efficient and accessible connections throughout the area. We will achieve our vision through community-guided decision making, by working closely with residents, businesses, and project partners.

Questions

1. What do you like or dislike about the draft vision statement?
2. Would you make any changes to the draft vision statement? If so, what would you change?
3. Is there anything else you'd like to share?
4. Do you approve the draft vision statement?



Next steps for Engagement

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