

What is Draft Plan20-50?

Draft Plan20-50 is the drafted regional plan that will guide land use, servicing and development across the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region. Draft Plan20-50 will address future infrastructure and servicing such as water and wastewater servicing, next generation Internet, transportation corridors and other projects that don't stop at municipal boundaries.

We know that each community is unique and will continue to have their own local priorities and plans. A regional plan guides long-term land use and development generally over a period of 20-30 years.

Who is the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region?

The Winnipeg Metropolitan Region (WMR) is an organization made up of 18 municipalities including the city of Winnipeg and 17 adjacent municipalities whose leaders have been working together since 1998 on projects that contribute to a strong, sustainable and prosperous region, for the benefit of all.

How will Draft Plan20-50 support regional economic development?

In order to create the climate for investment, regional growth and servicing planning will provide a full regional inventory of assets necessary to attract investment, manage growth and build strong communities. Draft Plan20-50 will give the investors the certainty they need to come, build and grow here and will provide the foundation for economic growth and competitiveness for generations to come.

Why did the WMR make the plan? Shouldn't it be done by planners, engineers, or experts?

Recognized for extensive expertise in land use and municipal governance, in 2019 the province of Manitoba mandated the WMR to coordinate the first draft of Draft Plan20-50. The WMR then engaged an extensive team of experts in planning, engineering, and community consultation (engagement with over 500 stakeholders) to lead the development of the draft.

Won't this lead to even more sprawl around Winnipeg?

No. The opposite. We can deliver better options and save money when we explore shared approaches to development and service delivery. A regional approach to planning allows us to find the important economies of scale and consider the best investments that support a high quality of life.

Who will formally approve the plan?

All public feedback received by June 1, 2021 will be compiled into Review Report and submitted with Draft Plan20-50 to the Minister of Municipal Relations for the province of Manitoba. The next step in the process will be for the newly formed Capital Planning Region to adopt the regional plan as outlined in Bill 37.

Who has helped inform what the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region should look like in 2050?

Draft Plan20-50 undertook a transparent and collaborative approach to solicit feedback from a broad spectrum including government, Indigenous Nations, the business community, industry sectors, leaders in sustainability, community advocates, experts in climate change and civil society.

To date, we have engaged with over 500 individuals and organizations accounting for almost 1,000 hours. This feedback, comment and expertise has informed Draft Plan20-50. The team also engaged outside experts to peer review policy direction to provide insight.

Is Plan20-50 just another layer of government and will it create more bureaucracy?

No. A regional plan is not another level of government. It will provide consistency, expedite the development planning process and serve to provide transparency and enhance partnerships between capital region municipalities, levels of government, Indigenous Nations, business and industry.

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