

Questions about the Alternatives

Please respond to the following statements about some of the specific aspects of the three alternatives by marking the one you prefer under each category.

The questions focus on some of the differences among the alternatives. All of the alternatives are intended to provide infrastructure necessary for a strong regional economy, an interconnected open space system and other benefits outlined in the foundation strategy on page 7.

Regional Settlement Form

Alternative A:

On a regional scale, this alternative would provide the most compact/central form of growth. This would provide the most preservation of rural resource land and open space, but with the fewest housing location choices.

Alternative B:

On a regional scale, this alternative would provide a more corridor-oriented growth pattern (“string of beads”). This would provide the greatest opportunity for cost effective transit-oriented design. The potential for negative aspects of ribbon-style development along the corridors would need to be managed.

Alternative C:

On a regional scale, this alternative would provide the least compact/central form of growth. This would provide the greatest location choice, and could result in the greatest level of change to existing rural communities.

Based on the above, which do you prefer?

- A C
 B No preference.

I have another option...



Services

Alternative A:

This alternative would provide more services within centres (including rural centres) but fewer centres would be available across the region.

Alternative B:

This alternative would provide a moderate level of services with a larger number of centres.

Alternative C:

This alternative would provide the greatest range of centres and location options, but distributes services and investment more thinly across the region.

Based on the above, which do you prefer?

- A C
- B No preference.



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Transit

Alternative A:

This alternative would provide fast, frequent and direct service from a few major centres to the regional centre, with a significant number of park and ride lots.

Alternative B:

This alternative would provide fast, frequent transit service to the regional centre with stops enroute at other community hubs.

Alternative C:

This alternative would provide different levels of transit service, across a broad service area, using a well-timed "hub and spoke system" including feeder buses and transfer points among centres.

Based on the above, which do you prefer?

- A C
- B No preference.



I have another option...

Overall, do you have a preferred alternative?

- A C
- B No preference.

Do you have any additional comments or thoughts you would like to share?



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Please note:

The alternatives identify more centres than will be needed to accommodate future growth. **We are looking for your ideas and feedback at the open houses to narrow down the locations of the potential centres, keeping in mind advantages and disadvantages.**

Please mail, email or fax your answers or drop them off at any of the open houses outlined on page 23 of the guidebook.