

Comox Valley Regional District Airshed Roundtable

Please share in the chat:

- Your name and organization
- What do you use to stay awake: coffee, tea or other?

Roundtable Meeting #5

September 23rd, 2021, 1:00pm
Zoom online platform



Land Acknowledgement

We respectfully acknowledge that the land we gather on is on the Unceded traditional territory of the K'ómoks First Nation, the traditional keepers of this land.



Agenda

- Welcome (5 min)
- Project update (10 min)
- Activity: Review vision, guiding principles, and goals (35 min)
- Break (10 min)
- Activity: Review actions (80 min)
- Closing and next steps (10 min)

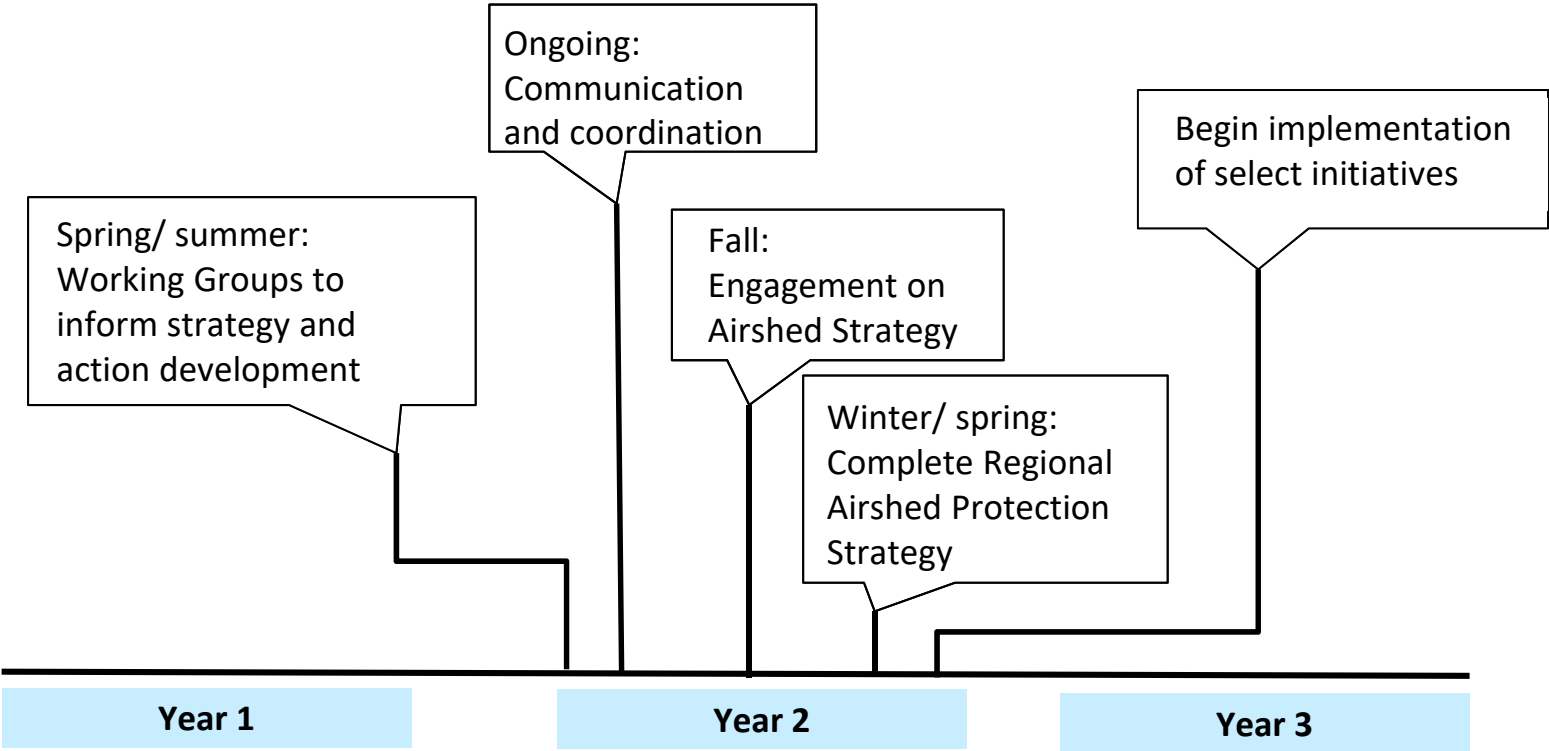
As we have wish to hear from all participants we will invite verbal input in a roundtable format with time limits.

We will also use an interactive tool called Miro to track your written comments.

If you need support let us know!



Project process: Year 2



Steering committee update

Tarek Ayache and Alana Mullaly

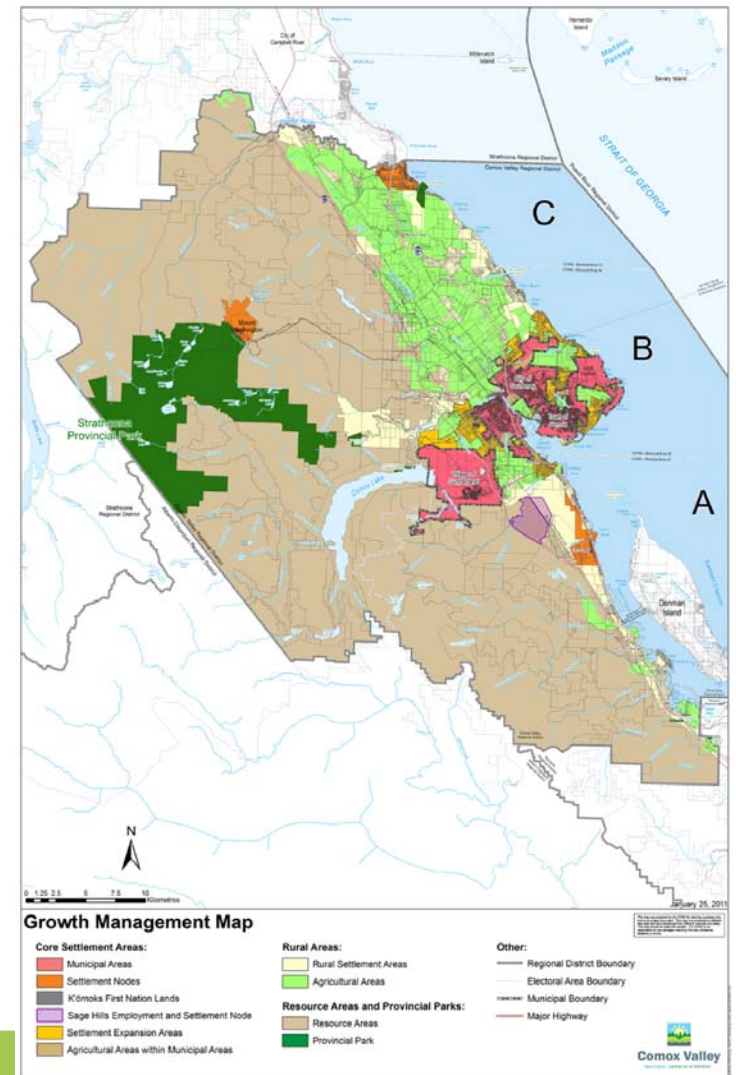
Steering committee update

- Two meetings held since last Roundtable: August and September
- Working session on Goal 2-Coordination and Goal 3-Education/Awareness
 - Identified draft actions based on Roundtable input
- Reviewed and confirmed draft strategy elements
 - Updated Goal statements based on Working Group discussions
 - Focusing some goals on Core Settlement Areas (next slide)
 - Reviewed Working Group draft actions
- Discussed engagement approach
 - Preliminary discussion on key messages for engagement, type of input to gather during public engagement



Exposure and Core Settlement Areas

- Importance of **Exposure**:
 - Closer **proximity to sources** of air pollution can lead to higher exposure to air contaminants, contributing to adverse health effects
 - For greatest public health benefit, it is important to focus emission reduction efforts on areas with **higher population density**
- Comox Valley **Core Settlement Areas**:
 - Defined in the **Regional Growth Strategy**
 - Includes the three municipalities, and nodes in the electoral areas (see map)
 - A minimum of **90% of new growth** is to be directed
 - Does not include rural settlement areas, agricultural areas, resource areas or provincial parks
- → Recommended some goal statements focus on core settlement areas



CVRD Update

- Bylaw Analysis Update
- Airshed Roundtable Strategy Engagement
- Wood Smoke Reduction Program Survey



Activity: Review draft strategy elements

Switch to Miro Board (See Miro Board Activity PDF)



Break

Roundtable Round



Everyone has 90 seconds to share feedback – if you have additional feedback please use the chat or email us after the meeting



Wrap-up

Next steps

- Fall: Prepare and host public engagement
 - Raise awareness of Roundtable process and air quality concerns
 - Obtain input on draft strategy elements: vision, goals, principles, actions
- November 25th: Next Roundtable meeting
- Winter: Drafting of Airshed Protection Strategy
 - Review and summarize public input
 - Advance air monitoring initiative
- Spring: Finalize Airshed Protection Strategy



Thank you!

