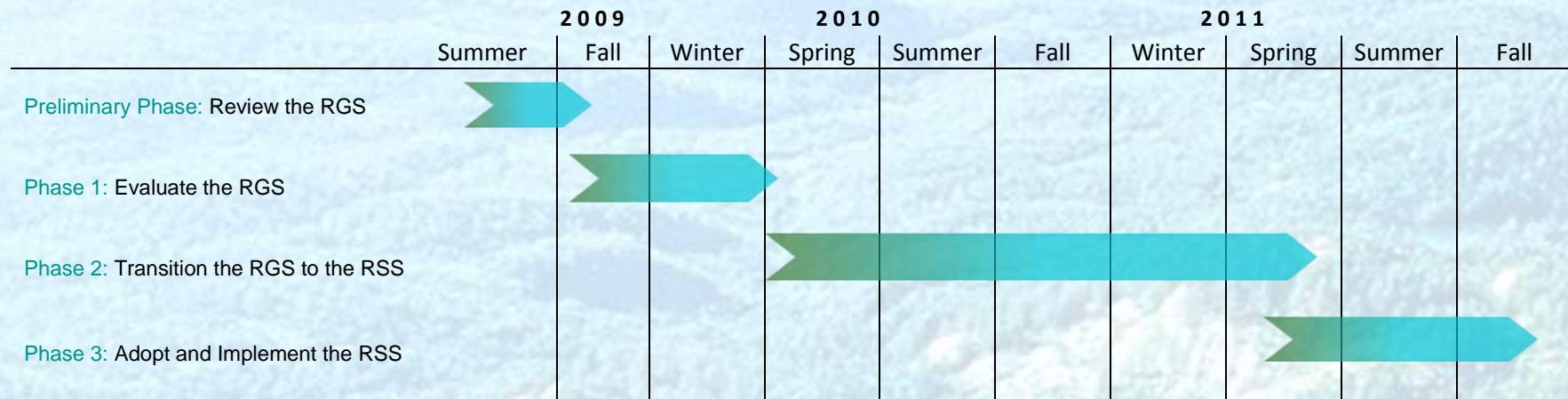


Regional Sustainability Strategy Timeline

Revision of the 2003 Regional Growth Strategy



The Capital Regional District's Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) has entered a 5 year review with the intention of updating the background information and transitioning the 2003 Regional Growth Strategy to the Regional Sustainability Strategy (RSS).

Preliminary Phase: Review the RGS

This phase focuses on background studies and technical analysis to inform the review; including the development of 30-year population, employment and dwelling projections. Work also includes the consultation strategy, industrial land inventory and land capacity assessment. Background reports can be found at www.crd.bc.ca/regionalplanning/growth.

Phase 1: Evaluate the RGS

Evaluation of the RGS will start with an assessment of the State of the Region Report indicators. MetroQuest's scenario-building tools will facilitate dialogue on key regional issues through workshops and an interactive website. Visible Strategies' See-it web technology will be used to make the RGS indicators more accessible. A policy and legislation overview report will assess legislative requirements and emerging provincial policy directions. Discussion papers will elaborate on potential policies that should be addressed in the RGS. These will be summarized in a RGS Review Issues report. All results will be submitted to the Regional Planning and Transportation Committee and available online.

Phase 2: Transitioning the RGS to the RSS

This phase involves development of more detailed policy & approaches for revising the RGS and transitioning the document to a broader regional sustainability strategy. All final updated mapping for the RSS land use policy designations (Capital Green, ALR, Major centres and corridors, walking and cycling routes and settlement areas) will be confirmed in this phase. This phase will require considerable review and input from member municipalities, stakeholders & advisory committees. All reports will be available at <http://www.crd.bc.ca/regionalplanning/growth> as they are released.

Phase 3: Acceptance & Adoption Process

This phase includes the review of the draft RSS. The draft is distributed widely and then refined to reflect input received. Following finalization of the draft, the RSS is referred to the affected local governments, following the acceptance and adoption process prescribed in the *Local Government Act*.