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## **CITY OF PORTLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE**

Through the periodic review process, the City of Portland is updating its comprehensive plan, a long-range 20-year plan that sets the framework for the physical development of the city. Portland originally developed its comprehensive plan in 1980 and this is the first major update since then. The comprehensive plan update will help to implement the [Portland Plan](#), the city's strategic plan for a prosperous, educated, healthy, equitable and resilient Portland. The 2035 [Comprehensive Plan Proposed Draft](#) provides a framework for the city to create opportunities for more jobs, affordable housing, a low-carbon economy, a clean environment, increased mobility and greater equity among Portlanders.

The draft plan was developed with extensive research and technical analysis and an enormous amount of community participation and knowledge. It includes goals and policies that set specific directions for future decision makers. It includes an [Urban Design Framework](#) (a map-based illustration of the vision for 2035) as well as a list of significant projects to direct major investments in public infrastructure such as streets, sidewalks and parks. The draft 2035 Plan carries forward the best of the many successful approaches and considers new priorities. It recommends that Portland find more advanced ways to:

- Create complete, healthy connected neighborhoods throughout the city to meet the needs of 120,000 new households
- Ensure there is commercial and industrial land available to support 140,000 new jobs
- Create a low carbon city that is energy and resource efficient and creates local jobs
- Integrate public health and equity goals into land use policies
- Improve resiliency and decrease development pressure in areas that lack public services or are susceptible to hazards, like flooding and landslides
- Recognize that one size does not fit all, so we must plan and design distinctive areas of the city to fit local conditions
- Promote affordable housing throughout the city in areas with good access to transit, grocery stores and shops, schools and other services
- Improve natural areas and open space that help integrate nature into the city
- Promote schools as multi-use facilities and assets that serve the whole community