Appendix B – Summary of Changes to Provincial Planning Statement, 2024

Topic	PPS 2020 / Growth Plan 2020	PPS 2024
Growth Targets and MZOs	<ul> <li>Population and employment forecast specified by province</li> <li>Plan for next 30 years</li> <li>No direction on MZOs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Population projections from Ministry of Finance</li> <li>Plan for next 20 years (not exceed 30)</li> <li>MZO developments are in addition to planned targets, must be brought inside settlement boundary in next OP Update</li> </ul>
Settlement Area Expansions	<ul> <li>Only expanded after Municipal Comprehensive Review</li> </ul>	Expansions at any time if criteria met
Intensification	Specified percentage of growth within Built Up Area and Density Greenfield Area	<ul> <li>Municipalities to establish own intensification targets</li> <li>Municipalities encouraged to identify own designated and strategic growth areas</li> </ul>
Affordable Housing	<ul> <li>Provide mix of housing options, including affordable housing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Municipalities must establish and implement minimum targets</li> </ul>
Employment Areas	<ul> <li>Broader mix of uses permitted within Employment Areas</li> <li>Employment conversions may be done outside MCR if not 'Provincially Significant'</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Narrower scope of employment uses</li> <li>Other uses must be directly related to primary employment use</li> <li>300 m employment buffer to protect employment lands from encroachment</li> <li>'Provincially Significant' deleted</li> <li>Additional tests to be met for employment conversion</li> </ul>
Agriculture	<ul><li>Protect Prime Agricultural Areas</li><li>Agri-system encouraged</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Protect Prime Agricultural Areas</li> <li>Agri-system required to support agri-food network</li> <li>Two ARUs permitted</li> </ul>