

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

Topic	PPS 2020 / Growth Plan 2020	PPS 2024
Growth Targets and MZOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population and employment forecast specified by province • Plan for next 30 years • No direction on MZOs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population projections from Ministry of Finance • Plan for next 20 years (not exceed 30) • MZO developments are in addition to planned targets, must be brought inside settlement boundary in next OP Update
Settlement Area Expansions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only expanded after Municipal Comprehensive Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansions at any time if criteria met
Intensification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specified percentage of growth within Built Up Area and Density Greenfield Area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipalities to establish own intensification targets • Municipalities encouraged to identify own designated and strategic growth areas
Affordable Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide mix of housing options, including affordable housing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipalities must establish and implement minimum targets
Employment Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broader mix of uses permitted within Employment Areas • Employment conversions may be done outside MCR if not 'Provincially Significant' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narrower scope of employment uses • Other uses must be directly related to primary employment use • 300 m employment buffer to protect employment lands from encroachment • 'Provincially Significant' deleted • Additional tests to be met for employment conversion
Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect Prime Agricultural Areas • Agri-system encouraged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect Prime Agricultural Areas • Agri-system required to support agri-food network • Two ARUs permitted