



King County 2021 Urban Growth Capacity Report

About the UGC Report
June 2021

What is the Urban Growth Capacity Report (buildable lands)?

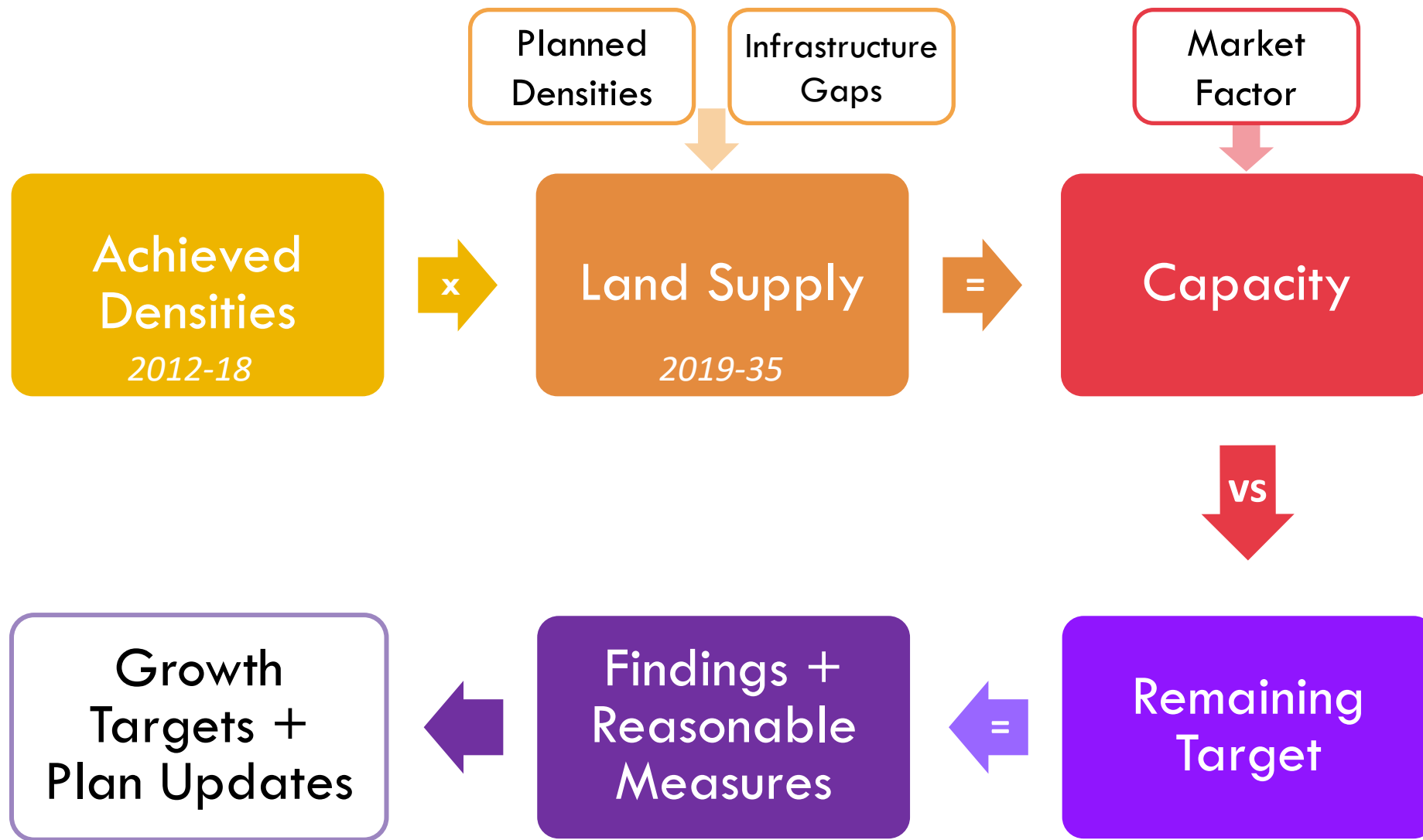
- Required component of the Growth Management Act
 - Due three years before comprehensive plan updates
 - 2021 report will be King County's fourth iteration
- Mid-cycle check on planning assumptions and progress towards planning goals
- Collaboration between cities and the county
- Approved by the Growth Management Planning Committee
 - Adopted by King County Council, and ratified by cities



What does the Urban Growth Capacity Report tell us?

- Questions it answers:
 - Is there adequate **land capacity available** for anticipated growth in jurisdictions and the UGA?
 - Are **growth targets** being achieved?
 - Are urban areas achieving their **planned densities**?





Urban Growth Capacity Report Data Collection and Development Process

How are data from the UGC used?

- Comprehensive Planning
 - Findings of insufficient capacity or non-achievement of targets or planned densities inform whether **reasonable measures** must be adopted in comprehensive plans
 - Data from the Urban Growth Capacity Report can **inform policy** choices in comprehensive plans or further analysis
- Growth Targets
 - After applying the Regional Growth Strategy, **capacity** from the Urban Growth Capacity Report is one factor used in determining jurisdictional targets

New in this year's report

- New Requirements
 - Additional **Reasonable Measure triggers**
 - Achieving growth targets and planned densities
 - Additional **documentation** of assumptions
 - Affect the identification of available land or capacity estimates
 - Development regulations
 - Market Factor
 - Infrastructure Gaps
 - Consideration of **affordable housing**
- Process Improvements
 - More centralized data development
 - Spatial representation of capacity



Schedule and Next Steps

April
2021

Draft UGC
Report



Spring
2021

Refine Data
and Findings



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GMPC
Approval



July-Dec
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County Council
+ City
Ratification





Questions and Comments

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