

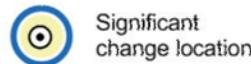
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SETTLEMENT NETWORK

Major growth location



Medium to high growth location



Significant change location

Designated identified growth centre in Plan Melbourne¹

Locations identified as 'Regional Cities' in a statewide context

Settlement network

These urban locations continue to form the foundation of the urban settlement network and will build on and strengthen the existing urban network by:

- focusing growth in the regional cities of Shepparton, Wodonga and Wangaratta, and in Benalla.
- supporting strong economic development in Seymour.

These urban locations provide key regional employment centres.

¹Plan Melbourne (Chapter 6 – State of Cities) identifies Broadford, Kilmore and Seymour as peri-urban towns with potential to attract housing and population growth out of Melbourne

OTHER KEY URBAN SETTLEMENTS

Cross-border settlements

- Support growth in these urban locations and lifestyle opportunities



Towns included within Melbourne's Urban Growth Boundary

- Settlements external to the region

URBAN GROWTH AND HINTERLAND INFLUENCE

Hinterland influence



Areas within 100 km of central Melbourne (peri-urban influence)

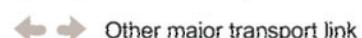
Growth to be focused in key urban locations while the hinterland and peri-urban influences of Melbourne and larger urban centres in the region (particularly those identified as 'Regional Cities') is managed to achieve an efficient settlement pattern.

CONNECTIVITY**Transport links (road and rail)**

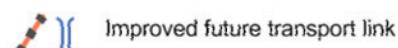
Optimise the use of existing transport links and new transport infrastructure.



National transport corridor (road and rail)



Other major transport link



Improved future transport link



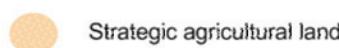
Freight logistics precinct

Key relationships to Melbourne

Areas in the Hume Region within Melbourne's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB)



Melbourne metropolitan growth into the Hume Region

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Strategic agricultural land

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Support continued agricultural production by protecting strategic agricultural land.

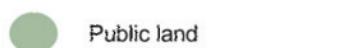
Support a mix of compatible land uses in rural areas to help develop a more diverse regional economy.

ENVIRONMENT

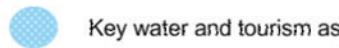
Alpine resort



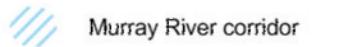
Areas containing high value terrestrial habitat



Public land



Key water and tourism assets



Murray River corridor

Natural assets (including water assets)

Protect and manage environmental assets (including water assets) for their intrinsic value, their cultural values and as key parts of the regional economy.

Protect and maintain significant regional landscapes.

Opportunities exist to enhance and establish vegetation corridors and connections, building on existing assets such as river corridors and existing native vegetation. Such corridors and the connections they provide are particularly important in those parts of the region which have been extensively cleared for uses such as agriculture and urban settlement.

Murray River corridor

Protect the Murray River corridor as a key environmental (scenic, biodiversity, riverine), cultural and economic asset.