Regional Growth Initiative

DRCOG update to DRDC

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Starting point – Metro Vision

• Still concern over growth of region’s footprint

• Directed to improve coordinated effort between DRCOG & local communities

• Goal of better sharing & integration of growth plans and aspirations
RGI - four pillars

1. Growth research
2. Convening conversations & info sharing
3. Commitment to action
4. Commitment to service
2: Convening conversations & info sharing

Potential products:

🌟 Formal small area forecast acceptance or adoption
❓ Development pipeline platform
❓ Sub-regional meetings
MassBuilds (Beta)

Explore development in Massachusetts through a collaborative inventory of past, present, and future projects.

Get Started

Gain insight on development in our region.

MassBuilds provides analysts, planners, community advocates, and real
Keypad polling

Series of polling slides to help us understand:

a) current practice
b) interest in potential platform
Do you have an information system for **internally** tracking development applications (e.g. permits, rezoning, annexations, subdivision)?

A. Yes, but it has no mapping component
B. Yes, and it has a mapping component
C. No system
D. Not sure

24%  
44%  
12%  
20%
Do you have a way of sharing development applications or information externally (e.g. permits, rezoning, annexations, subdivision)?

A. Yes, info is manually posted to our website
B. Yes, it integrates with our internal system
C. Yes, we have a custom workflow
D. No sharing
E. Not sure

9%  9%
22%  17%  43%  22%
Do you manage any **spatial data** related to development applications or approvals?

A. Yes, and we share it openly  
B. Yes, for internal use  
C. No, tabular only  
D. No, none at all  
E. Not sure

Pick the closest answer for your community

A. 27%  
B. 18%  
C. 14%  
D. 9%  
E. 32%
Would you see value in contributing data on development proposals, applications, or approvals on a regionwide platform?

A. Definitely yes
B. Leaning yes
C. Leaning no
D. Definitely no
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