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VC168**Settlement****Objective**

To promote the sustainable growth and development of Victoria and deliver choice and opportunity for all Victorians through a network of settlements.

Strategies

Develop sustainable communities through a settlement framework offering convenient access to jobs, services, infrastructure and community facilities.

Focus investment and growth in places of state significance in Metropolitan Melbourne and the major regional cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Horsham, Latrobe City, Mildura, Shepparton, Wangaratta, Warrnambool and Wodonga.

Support sustainable development of the regional centres of Ararat, Bacchus Marsh, Bairnsdale, Benalla, Castlemaine, Colac, Echuca, Gisborne, Hamilton, Kyneton, Leongatha, Maryborough, Portland, Sale, Swan Hill, Warragul/Drouin and Wonthaggi.

Ensure regions and their settlements are planned in accordance with their relevant regional growth plan.

Guide the structure, functioning and character of each settlement taking into account municipal and regional contexts and frameworks.

Create and reinforce settlement boundaries.

Provide for growth in population and development of facilities and services across a regional or sub-regional network.

Plan for development and investment opportunities along existing and planned transport infrastructure.

Promote transport, communications and economic linkages between settlements through the identification of servicing priorities in regional land use plans.

Strengthen transport links on national networks for the movement of commodities.

Deliver networks of high-quality integrated settlements that have a strong identity and sense of place, are prosperous and are sustainable by:

- Building on strengths and capabilities of each region across Victoria to respond sustainably to population growth and changing environments.
- Developing settlements that will support resilient communities and their ability to adapt and change.
- Balancing strategic objectives to achieve improved land use and development outcomes at a regional, catchment and local level.
- Preserving and protecting features of rural land and natural resources and features to enhance their contribution to settlements and landscapes.
- Encouraging an integrated planning response between settlements in regions and in adjoining regions and states in accordance with the relevant regional growth plan.
- Providing for appropriately located supplies of residential, commercial, and industrial land across a region, sufficient to meet community needs in accordance with the relevant regional growth plan.
- Improving transport network connections in and between regional cities, towns and Melbourne.

Encourage a form and density of settlements that supports sustainable transport to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Limit urban sprawl and direct growth into existing settlements.

Promote and capitalise on opportunities for urban renewal and infill redevelopment.

Develop compact urban areas that are based around existing or planned activity centres to maximise accessibility to facilities and services.

Ensure retail, office-based employment, community facilities and services are concentrated in central locations.

Ensure land that may be required for future urban expansion is not compromised.

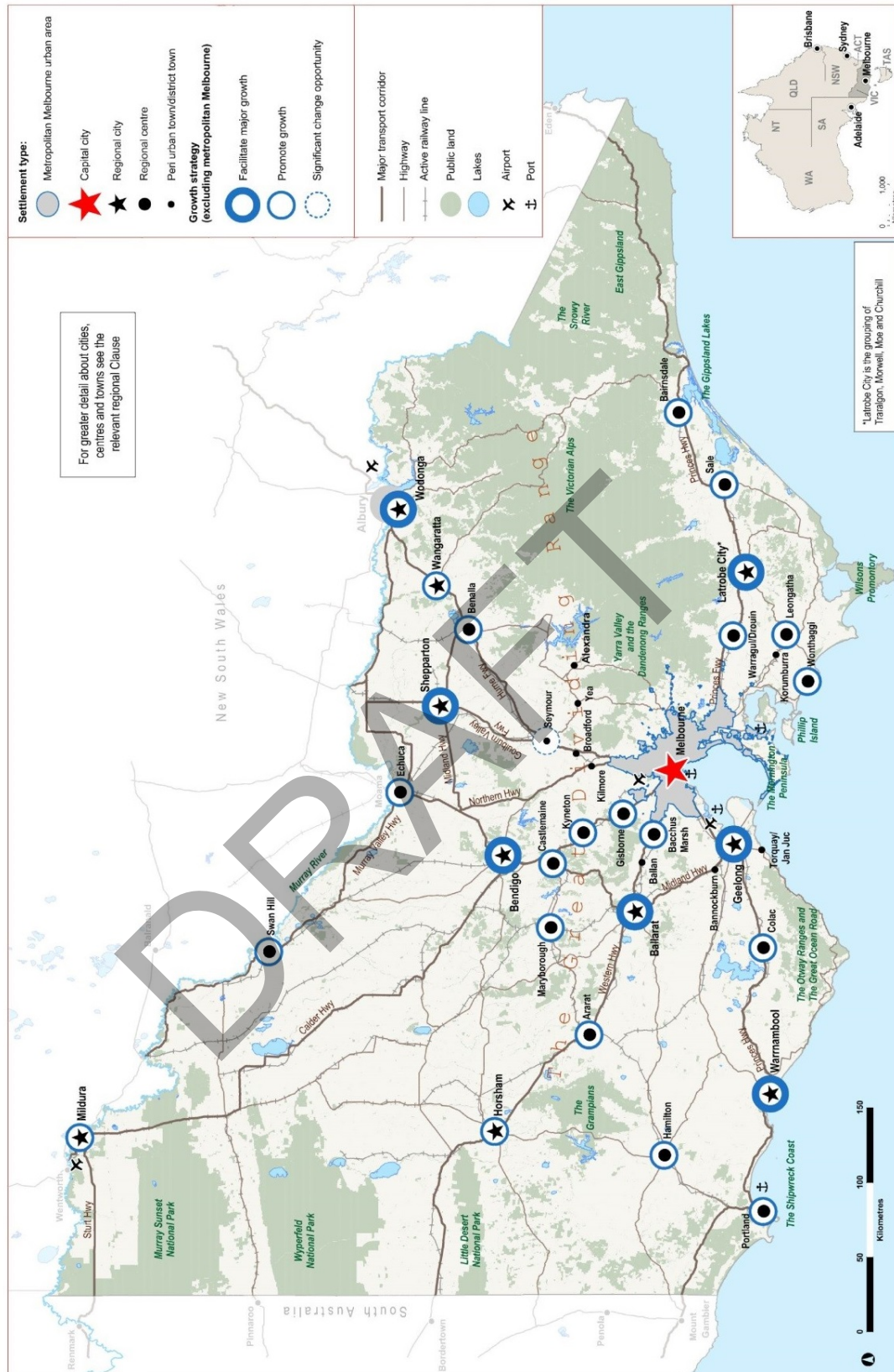
Policy documents

Consider as relevant:

- Central Highlands Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- G21 Regional Growth Plan (Geelong Region Alliance, 2013)
- Gippsland Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- Great South Coast Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- Hume Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- Loddon Mallee North Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- Loddon Mallee South Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan (Victorian Government, 2014)
- Plan Melbourne 2017-2050: Metropolitan Planning Strategy (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2017)
- Plan Melbourne 2017-2050: Addendum 2019 (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2019)

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Victoria Settlement Framework



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VC168**Settlement - Metropolitan Melbourne****Strategies**

Maintain a permanent urban growth boundary around Melbourne to create a more consolidated, sustainable city and protect the values of non-urban land.

Focus investment and growth in places of state significance, including:

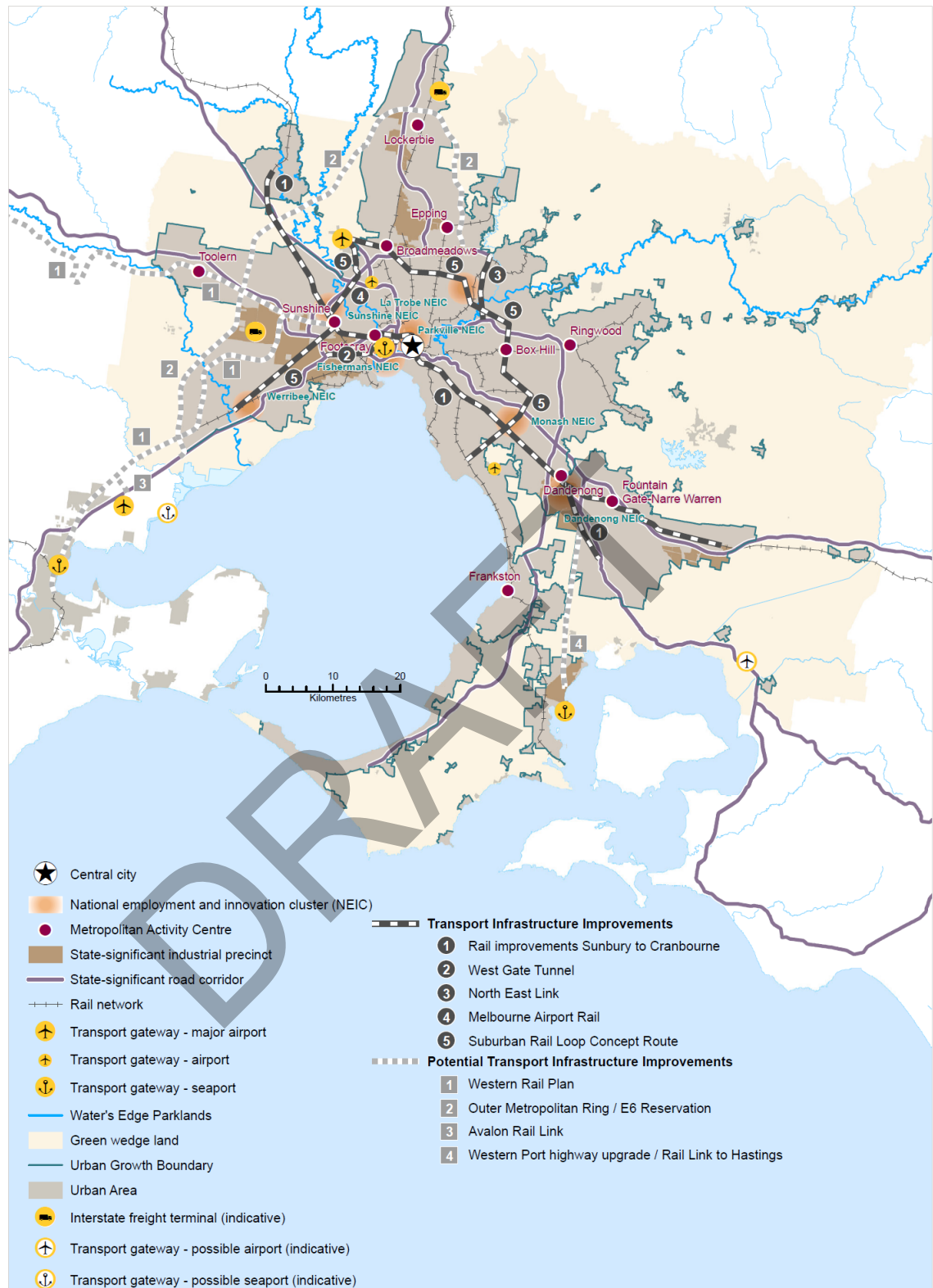
- Metropolitan Melbourne Central City.
- National Employment and Innovation Clusters.
- Metropolitan Activity Centres.
- State-Significant Industrial Precincts.
- Transport Gateways.
- Health and Education Precincts.
- Major Urban-Renewal Precincts.

Develop the Suburban Rail Loop through Melbourne's middle suburbs to facilitate substantial growth and change in major employment, health and education precincts and activity centres beyond the central city at an appropriate scale to address the needs of Melbourne's rapidly growing population.

Develop a network of activity centres linked by transport; consisting of Metropolitan Activity Centres supported by a network of vibrant major and neighbourhood activity centres of varying size, role and function.

Create mixed-use neighbourhoods at varying densities, including through the development of urban-renewal precincts, that offer more choice in housing, create jobs and opportunities for local businesses and deliver better access to services and facilities.

Melbourne 2050 spatial framework



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VC148**Green wedges - Metropolitan Melbourne****Objective**

To protect the green wedges of Metropolitan Melbourne from inappropriate development.

Strategies

Promote and encourage the key features and related values of each green wedge area.

Support development in the green wedge that provides for environmental, economic and social benefits.

Consolidate new residential development in existing settlements and in locations where planned services are available and green wedge values are protected.

Plan and protect major state infrastructure and resource assets, such as airports and ports with their associated access corridors, water supply dams, water catchments and waste management and recycling facilities.

Protect important productive agricultural areas such as Werribee South, the Maribyrnong River flats, the Yarra Valley, Westernport and the Mornington Peninsula.

Support existing and potential agribusiness activities, forestry, food production and tourism.

Protect areas of environmental, landscape and scenic value such as biodiversity assets, national and state parks, Ramsar wetlands and coastal areas.

Protect significant resources of stone, sand and other mineral resources for extraction purposes.

Provide opportunities for renewable energy generation.

Policy documents

Consider as relevant:

- *Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Region - Regional Strategy Plan (1996)*

11.01-1L**Sunbury green wedge**

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Policy application

This policy applies to the Brimbank portion of the wider Sunbury Green Wedge, which includes all land located outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

Objective

To protect the visual, environmental, recreational and agricultural values of the area.

Strategies

Facilitate an open space recreation and habitat corridor along the Green Wedge portion of the Maribrynmong River, including the provision of a continuous shared path.

Minimise visual impacts from development through the use of muted tones and non-reflective building materials, particularly along escarpments, ridgelines and areas clearly visible from roads.

Protect views and sightlines to highly visible landscapes within the Maribrynmong River Valley from visually dominant buildings and works, including signage.

Protect views and sightlines along the Maribrynmong River escarpment, and to and from the city skyline.

Allow the expansion of existing non-rural uses only within existing site boundaries.

Encourage sustainable water use and management in order to provide sufficient supply for environmental flows as well as agricultural, recreation and residential uses.

Policy documents

Consider as relevant:

- *Melbourne Airport Master Plan* (Australia Pacific Airports Pty. Ltd. Melbourne, 2018)
- *Brimbank Green Wedge Management Plan* (Brimbank City Council, 2010)