

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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Attention: News Editor

### **Comment deadline looms**

A significant opportunity to help guide the future of the Great Southern will soon draw to a close.

The public comment period for the development of the Great Southern Regional Blueprint closes at 5pm on Friday 31 October.

The Great Southern Development Commission (GSDC), with a mandate from the WA State Government, produced the Regional Blueprint to be a strategic guide for the development of the region out to 2040.

It identifies seven major initiatives that have the potential to transform the region in the decades ahead.

A draft version of the document has been available for comment since 29 August.

GSDC Chairman Peter Rundle said members of the public had responded positively to the Commission's request for comment on the draft.

"We have received comment from a range of sources," Mr Rundle said.

"All of the feedback is being collated by the Commission and will be taken into account for the final version of the document.

"Now is the time to have your say if you have an interest in the future of the region.

"If you haven't already done so, take a look at the draft document, which is available on the GSDC website, and get your feedback in before the comment period closes."

Inspection copies of the draft Blueprint are available at public libraries and Community Resource Centres in the Great Southern. The draft Blueprint and associated documents can be downloaded from the GSDC website at [www.gsdc.wa.gov.au](http://www.gsdc.wa.gov.au) (follow the link on the home page).

Mr Rundle said comment could be made via an online survey through the Commission's website ([www.gsdc.wa.gov.au](http://www.gsdc.wa.gov.au)) or directly by email or in writing to the GSDC.

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