

UBCM Local Government Development Approvals Grant

Regional Board Meeting
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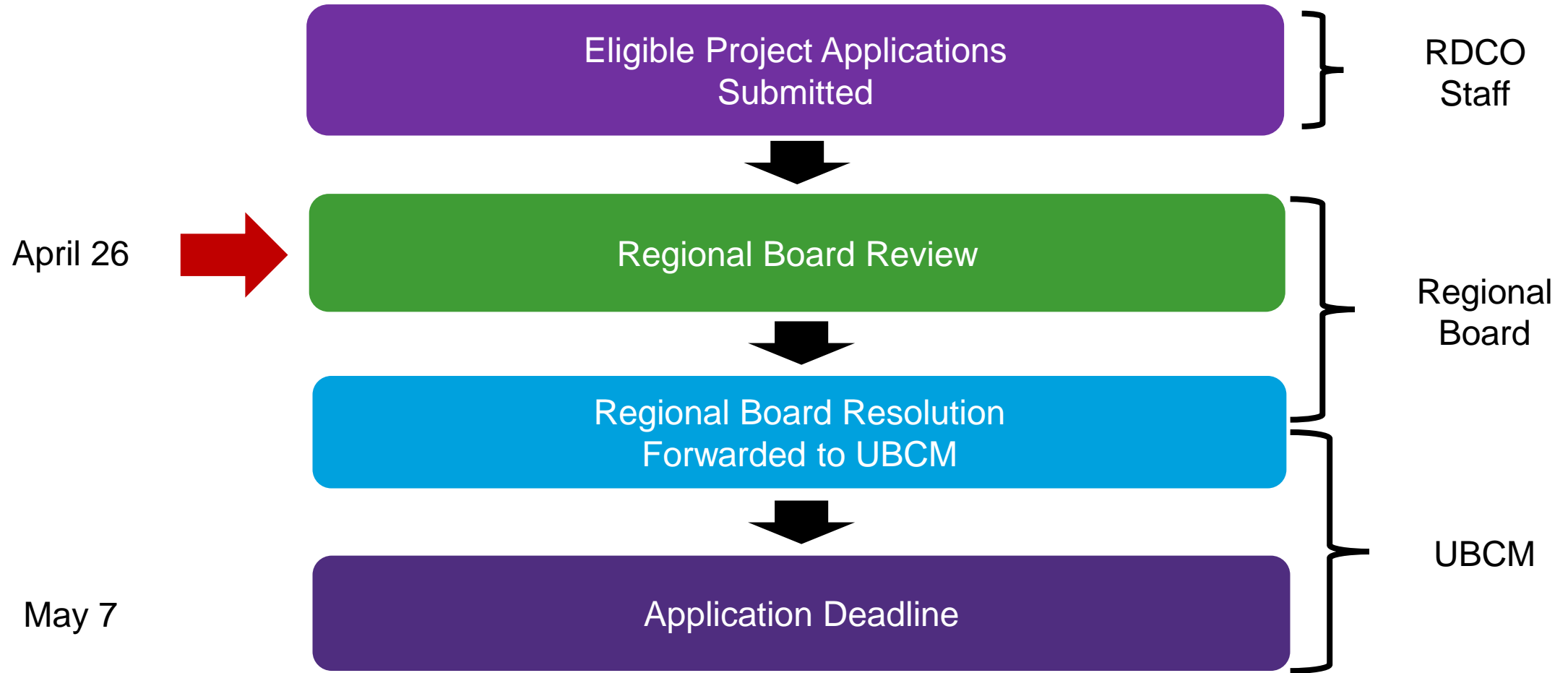
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Proposal

To request Board support for a UBCM –
Development Approvals Program Fund application

Grant Application Process



Background

- 2019 Ministry of Municipal Affairs initiated a review
- Engaged local governments and stakeholders, including RDCO
- Summary report and key findings



Background

- Province has made \$15 million in funding available
- Support the implementation of established best practices and to test innovative approaches
- Improve development approvals processes while meeting local government planning and policy objectives

Project Purpose

- Complete a Development Approvals Process Improvement Strategy

Project Proposal



UBCM Grant Approval Criteria

- Projects that include cross-departmental collaboration and/or external partners within the development community are more likely to receive funding

Financial Considerations

- UBCM covers 100% of project costs
- Suggested maximum of \$500,000
- Currently working to finalize budget

Recommendation

THAT the Regional Board approves submitting a grant application under the Union of BC Municipalities – Local Government Development Approvals Program to complete a Development Approvals Process Improvement Strategy.