

Central Okanagan Integrated Transportation Strategy (CO-ITS)

Council – Final Update

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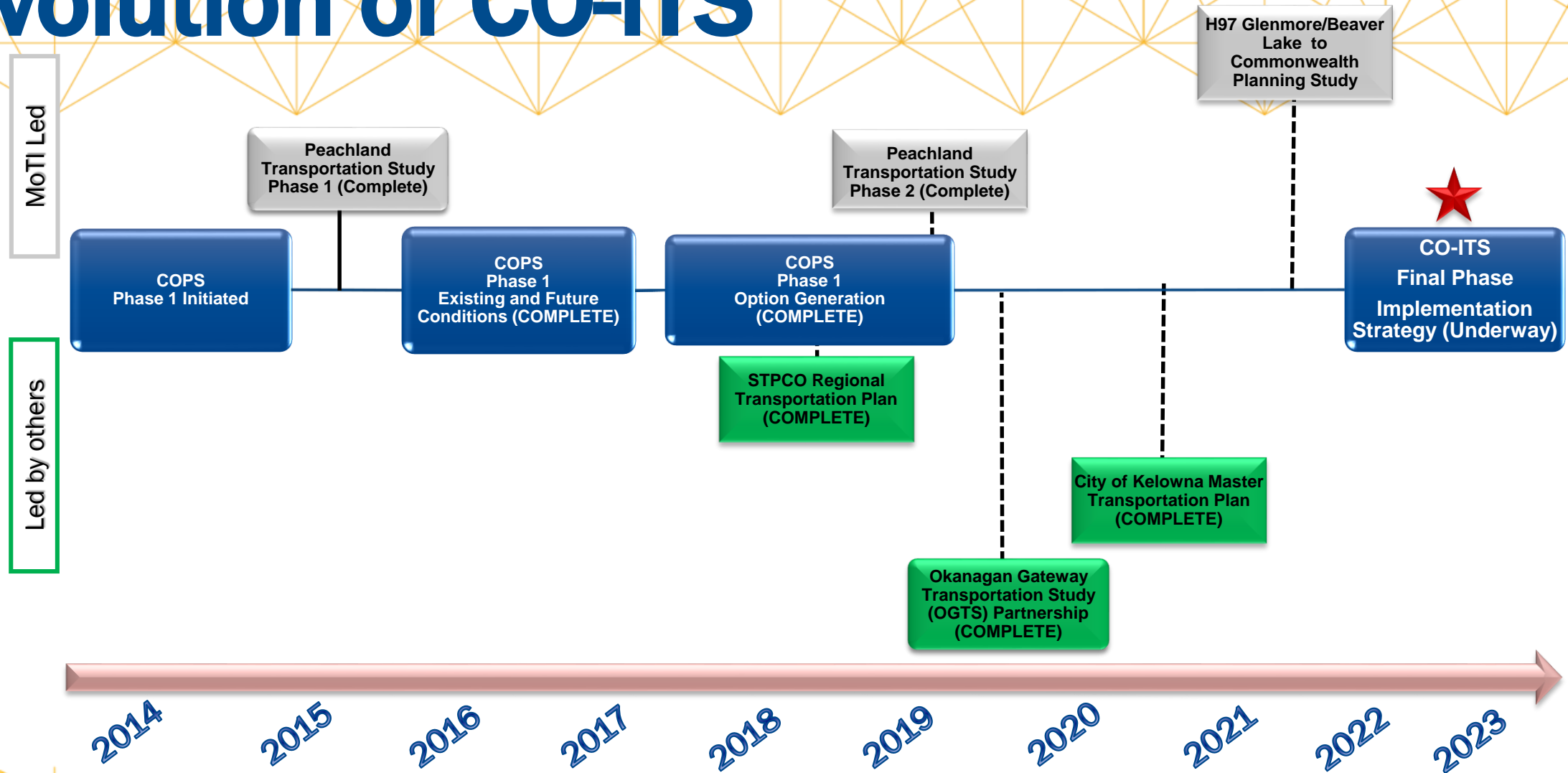


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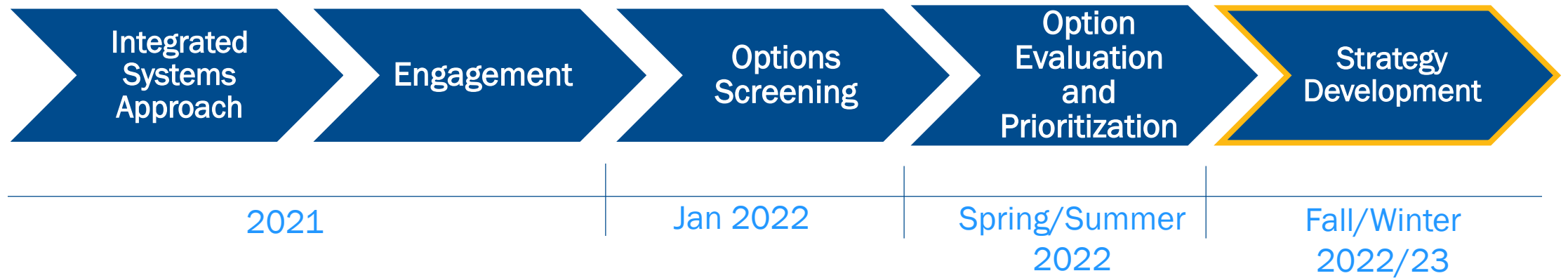
AGENDA

- Evolution of CO-ITS
- Project Status
- Guiding Principles
- Functional Classification & Land Use
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
- Integrated Engagement Strategy
- Options Strategy
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- Project Development Stages
- Next Steps

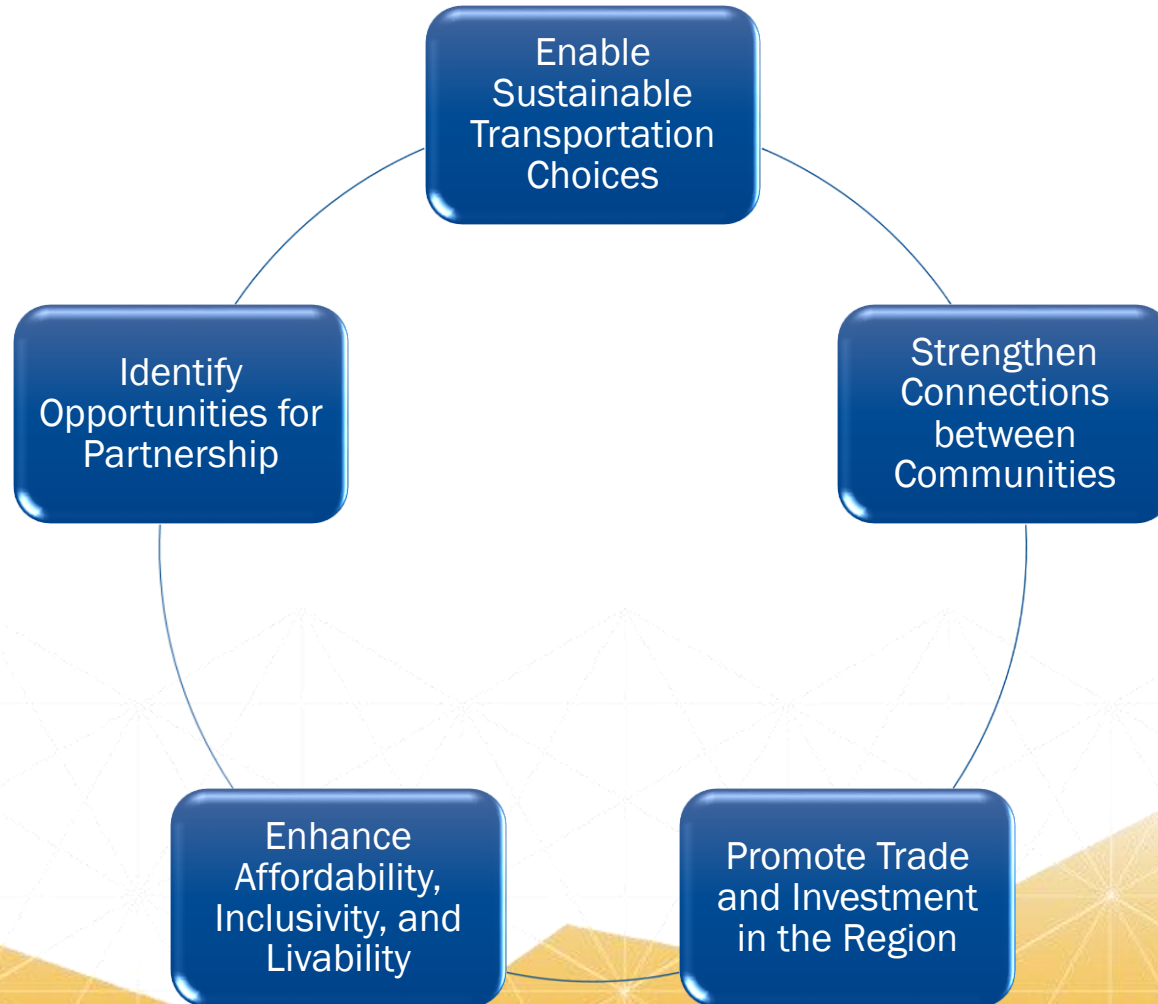
Evolution of CO-ITS



CO-ITS Project Status



Guiding Principles



Diversity and Inclusion (GBA+)



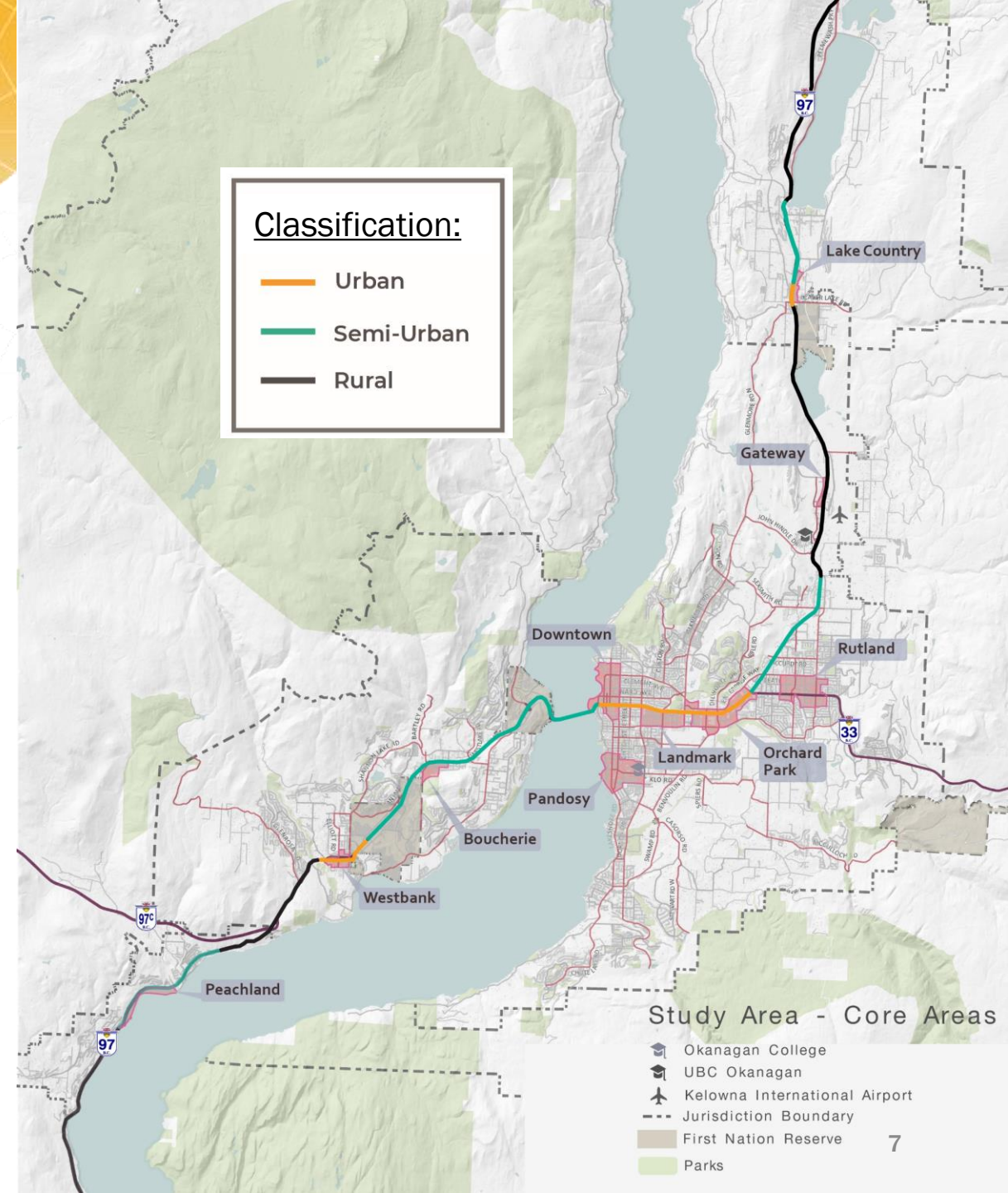
- Mainstreaming GBA+ throughout project
- Focused workshop
- Disaggregated data collection and analysis
- Geographic analysis
- Engagement with identified sub-group organizations
- GBA+ indicators for project evaluation

Sub-groups Engaged :

- Lake Country Health
- Accessible Okanagan
- Pathways Ability Society
- Interior Health
- Westside Network
- UBC Students Union
- Okanagan Family & Childcare Society
- John Howard Society
- Kelowna Community Resources
- City of Kelowna – Recreation

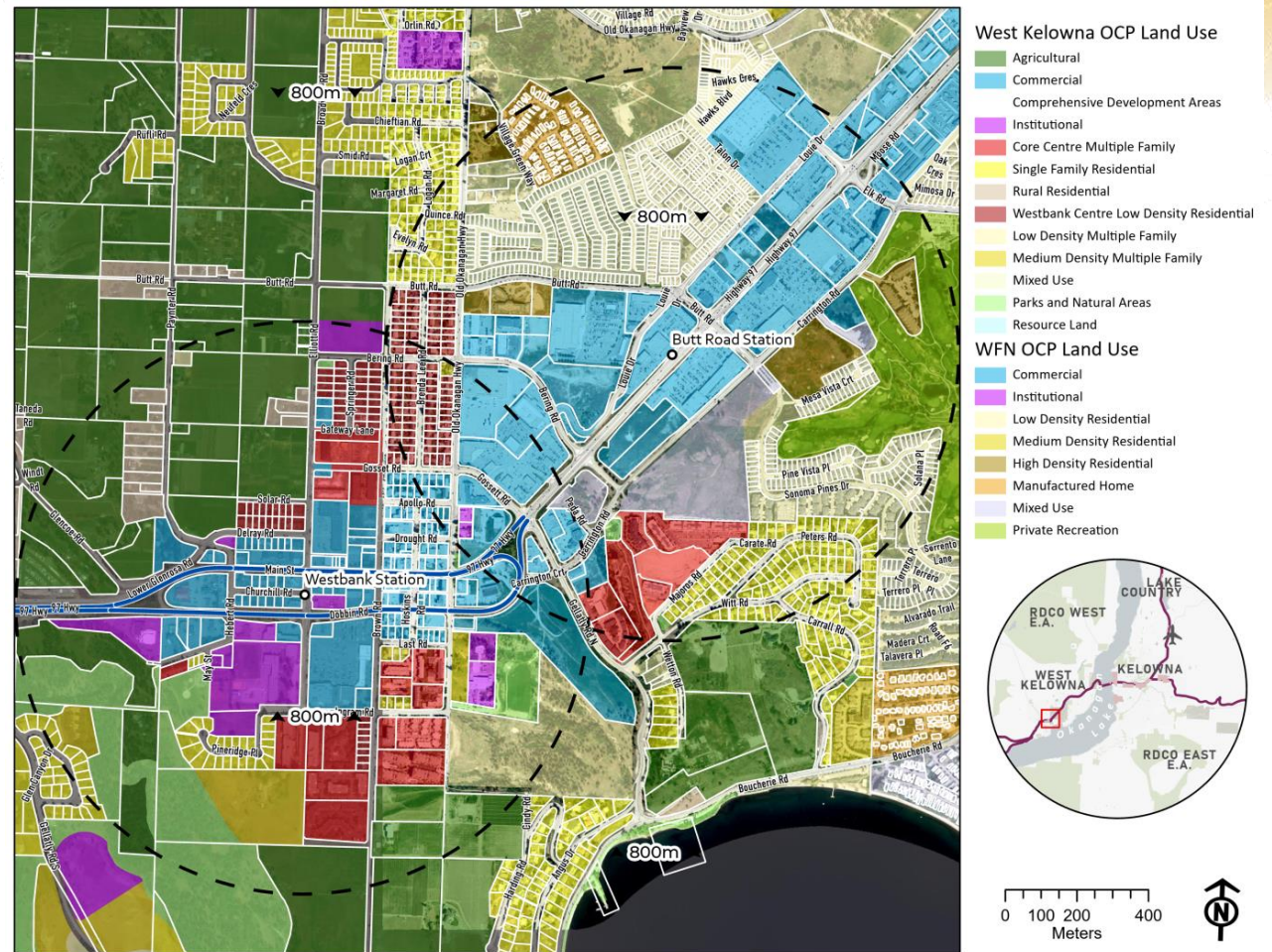
Functional Classification

- Informs the planning, design and operation of the corridor
- CO-ITS proposes a new functional classification system for Highway 97
 - Updated based on feedback from local communities
 - Moved away from the vision of a uniform, highspeed freeway through the region
- Highway 97 transitions between rural, semi-urban and urban functionality

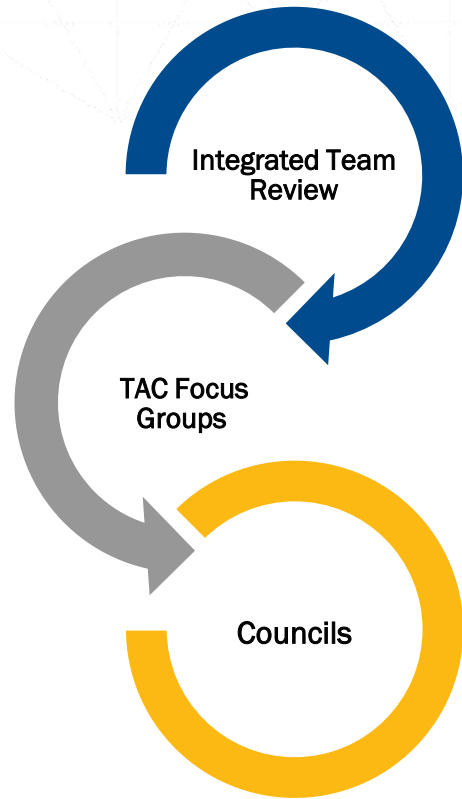


Land Use

- Densification of urban centres to support transit-oriented development
- Enhance more affordable and sustainable transportation choices
- Align highway form with local context
- Identify opportunities for partnerships, including strategic land acquisitions



Integrated Engagement Strategy



Integrated Team

- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
- Municipal and Regional Governments
- Indigenous Governments
- BC Transit

Options Strategy

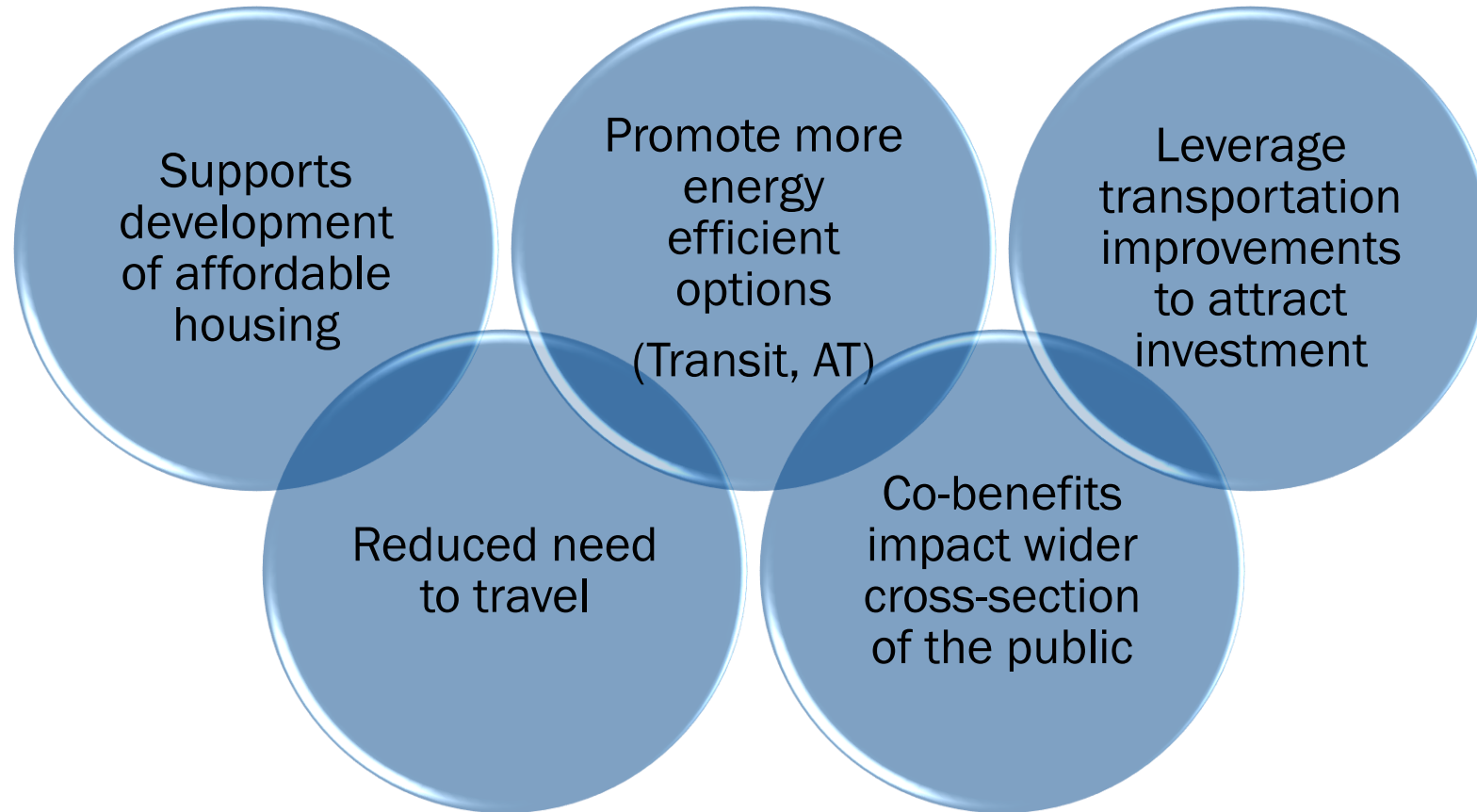


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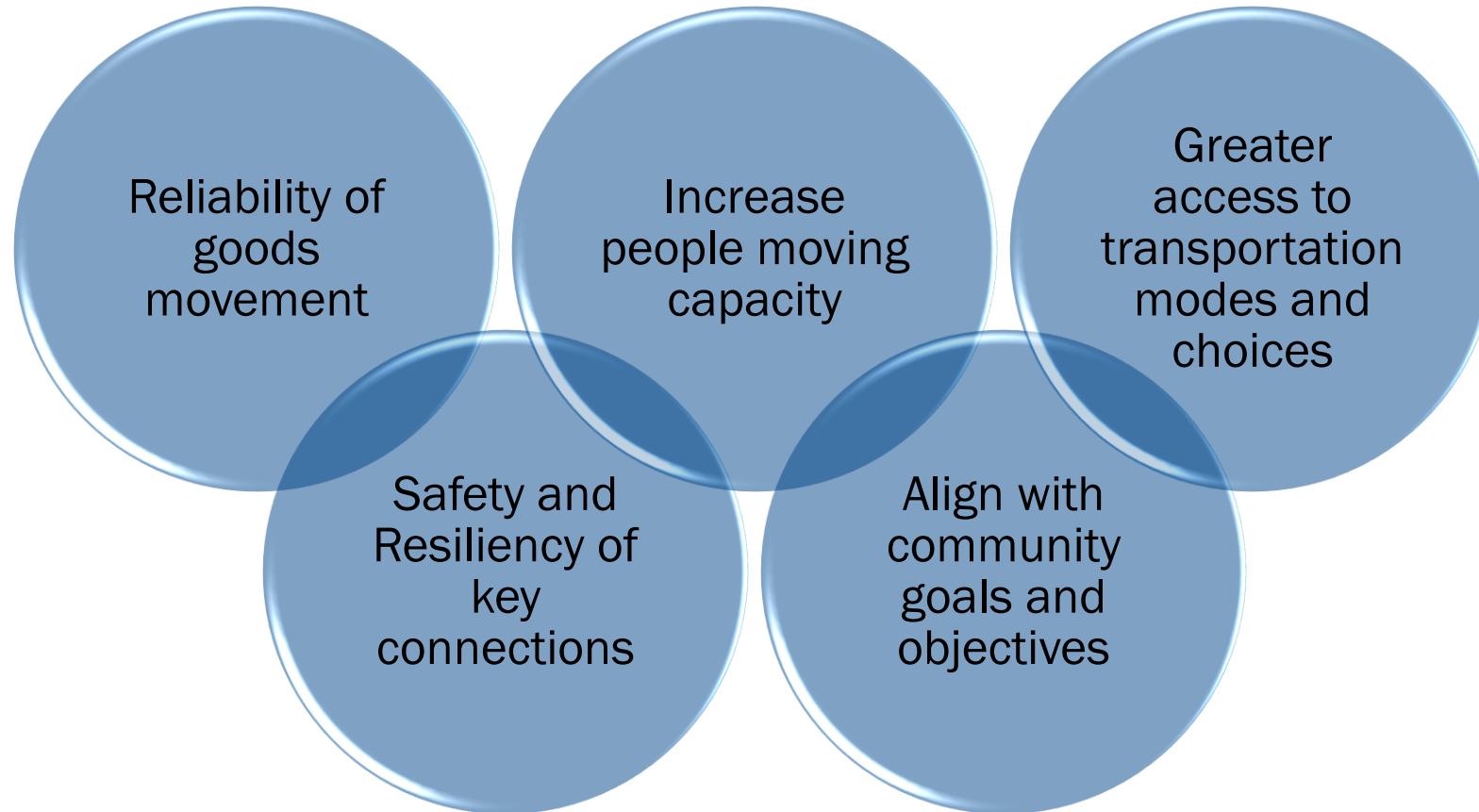
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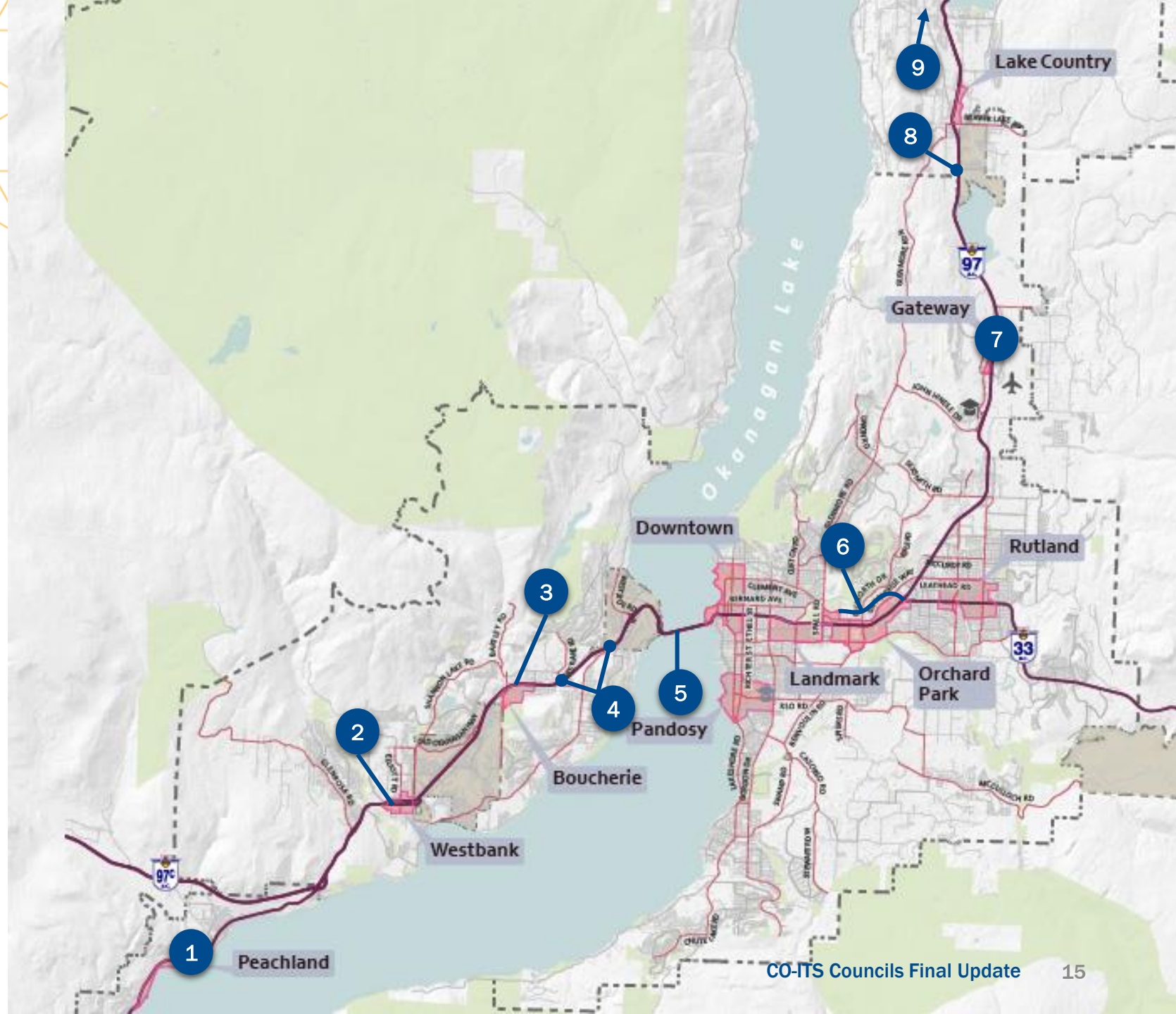
Collaborative, systems-based approach to transportation planning

Roads

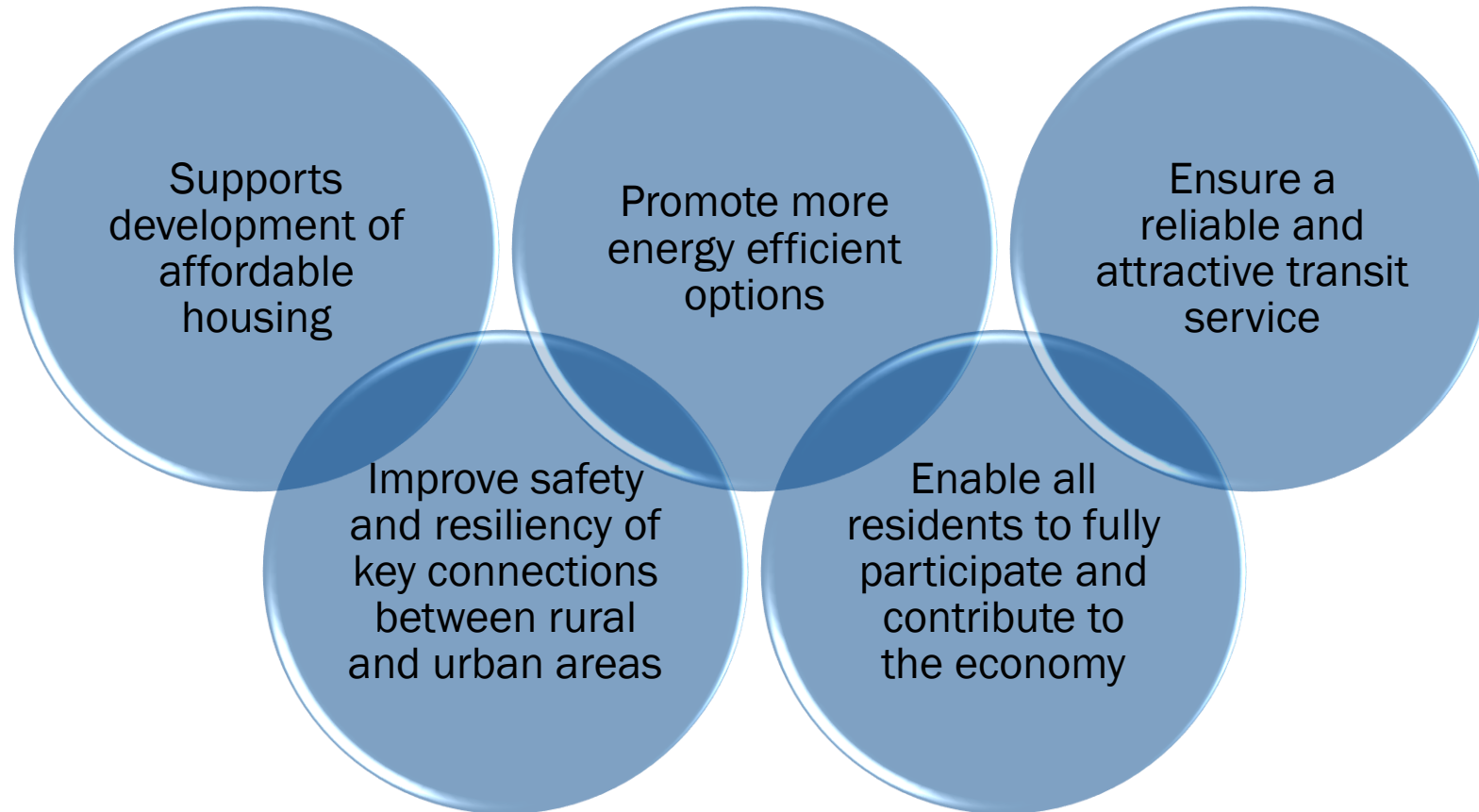


Roads

1. Highway 97 Peachland Improvements
2. Highway 97 Couplet Removal
3. Boucherie Centre Improvements
4. Boucherie and Westlake Interchanges
5. W.R. Bennett Bridge Improvements*
6. Clement Avenue Extension
7. Gateway Improvements
8. Commonwealth Road Improvements
9. Highway 97 / Crystal Waters Road



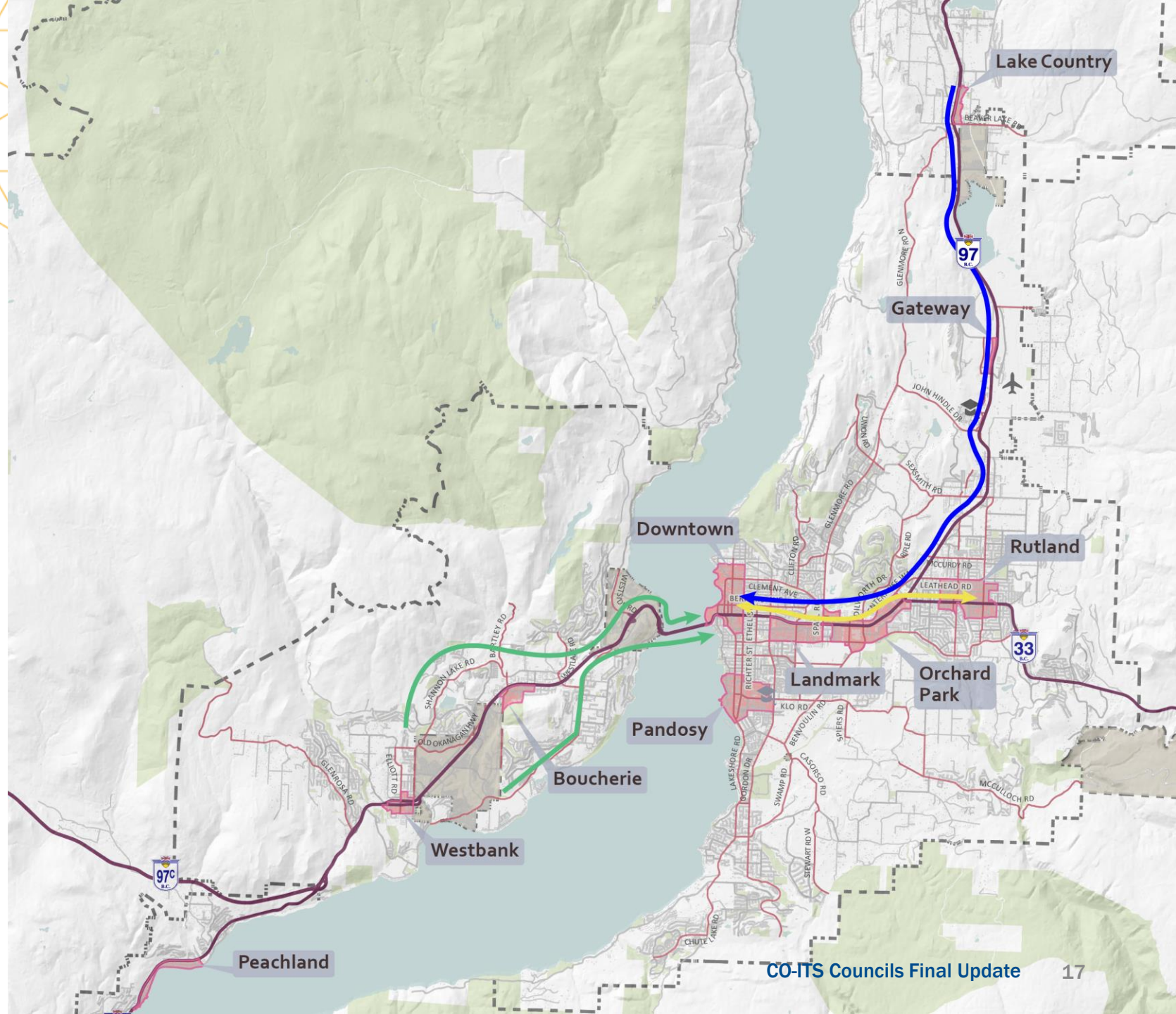
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3. Lake Country - Orchard Park - Downtown



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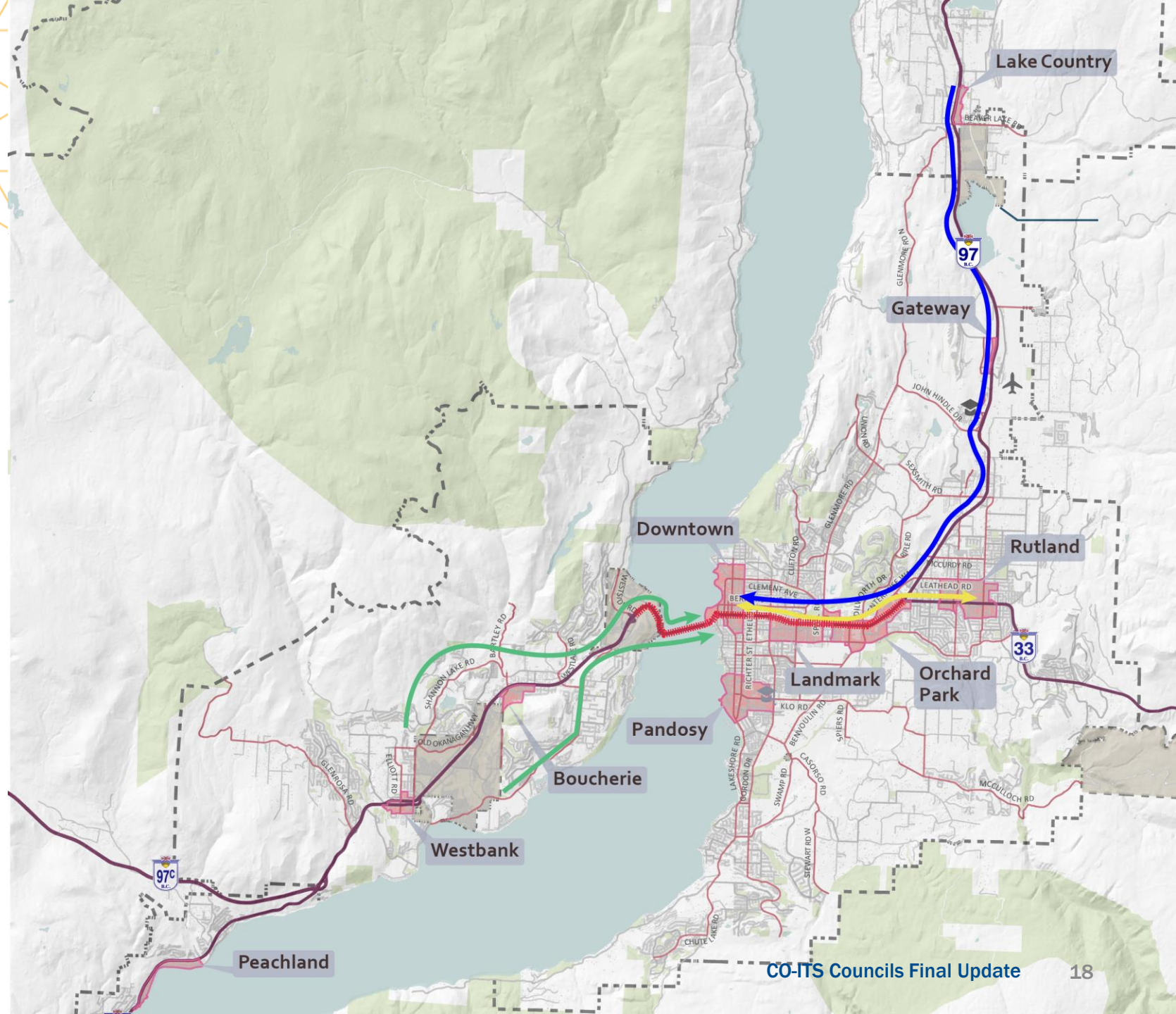
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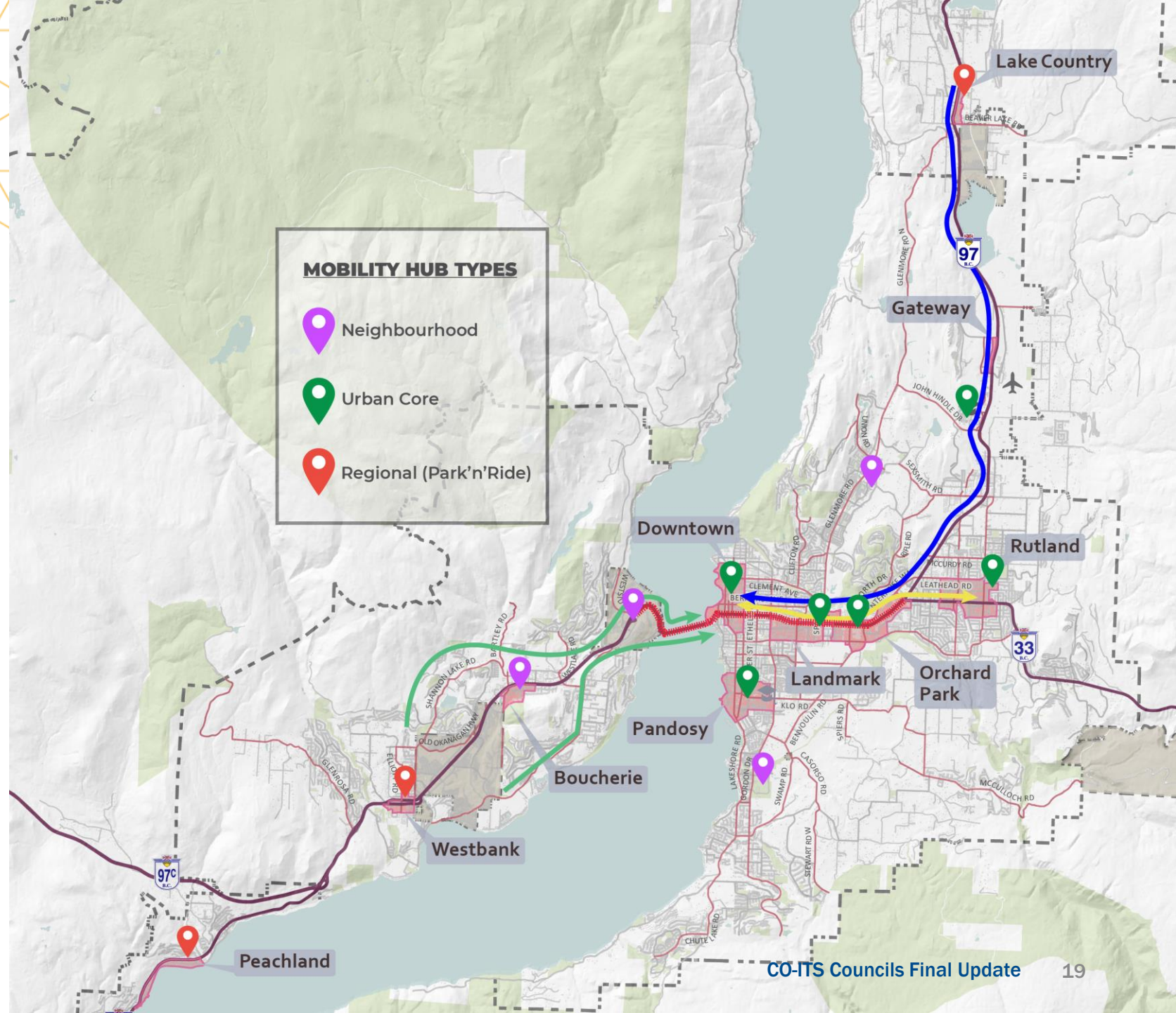
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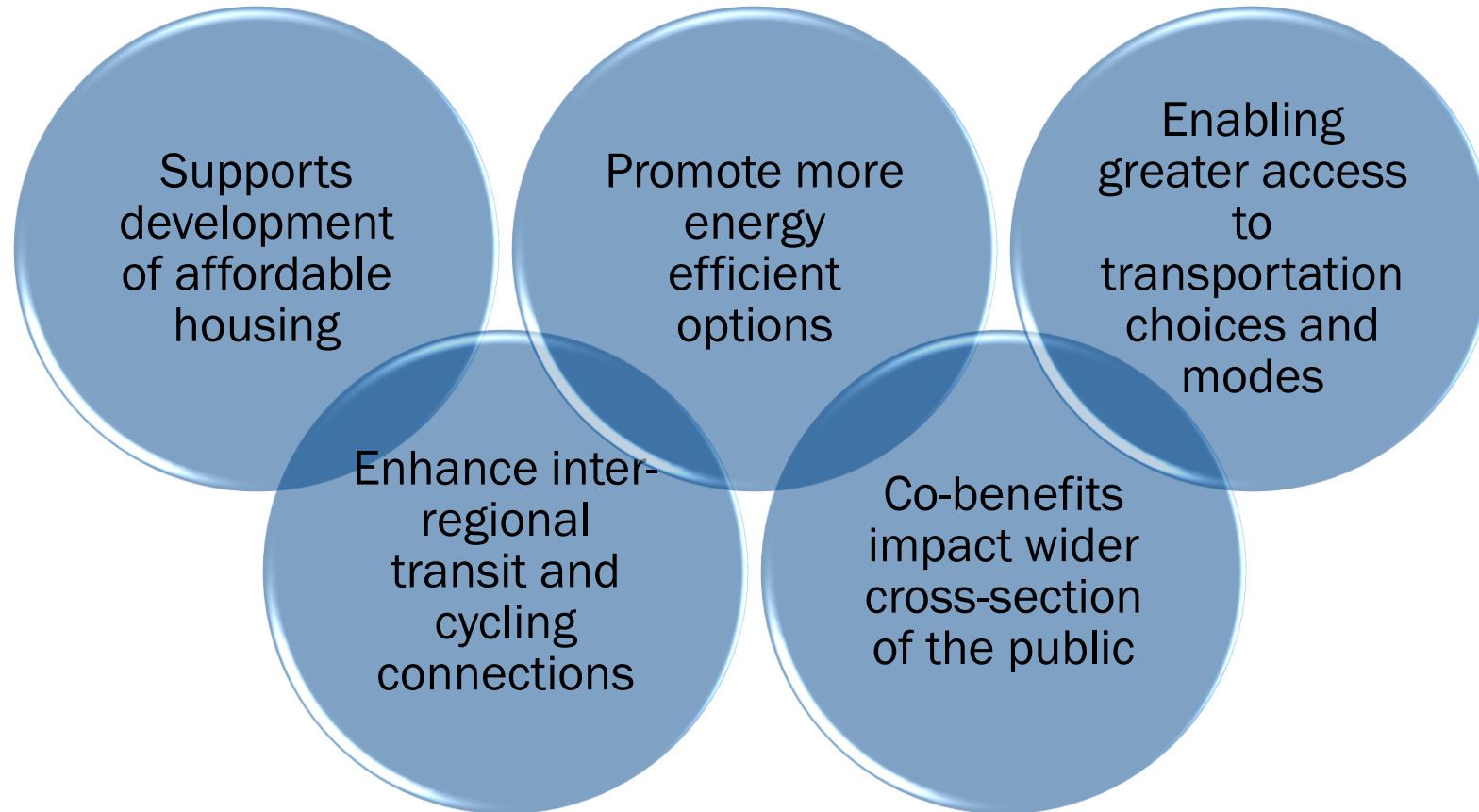
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Improve access to transit

- Regional Mobility Hubs: Peachland, Westbank, Rutland, and Lake Country
- Urban Core Mobility Hubs: UBCO, Landmark, Downtown, South Pandosy (examples)
- Neighbourhood Mobility Hubs: Rutland, Lower Mission, Boucherie Centre, Glenmore (examples)



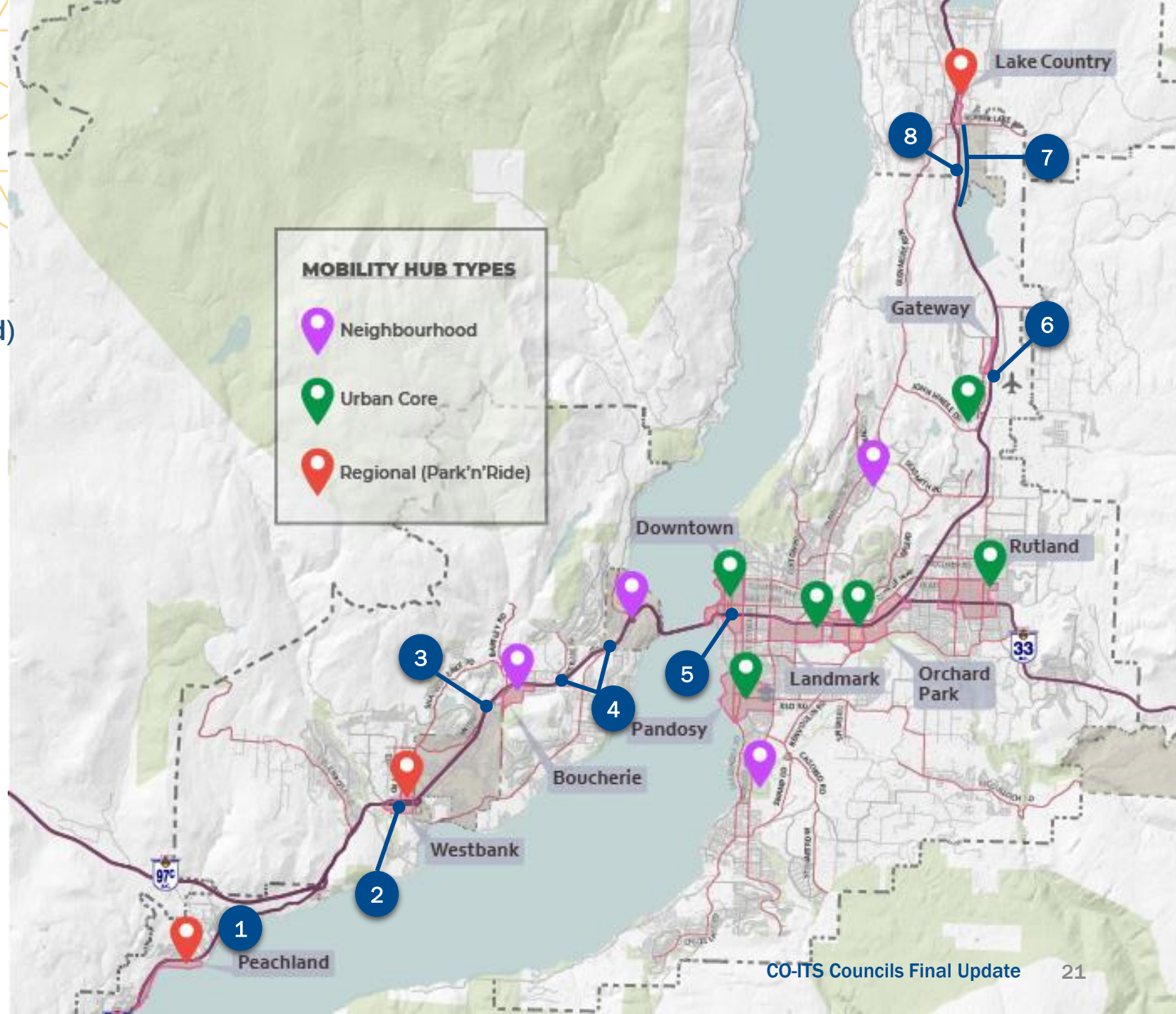
Active Transportation



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1. Westside Trail (West Kelowna to Peachland)
2. Brown Road Overpass
3. Daimler Road Overpass
4. Boucherie and Westlake Interchanges
5. Bertram Multi-Use Overpass
6. Airport Way Interchange
7. Okanagan Rail Trail
8. Commonwealth Road Interchange
9. Mobility Hubs

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Priorities based on Evaluations

Transit

Regional Transit Route Enhancements

Regional Mobility Hubs

Highway 97 Transit Priority
(Interim Options)

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•Highway 97 Boucherie and Westlake Interchanges

•Clement Avenue Extension

•Commonwealth Road Improvements

•Highway 97 Couplet Removal

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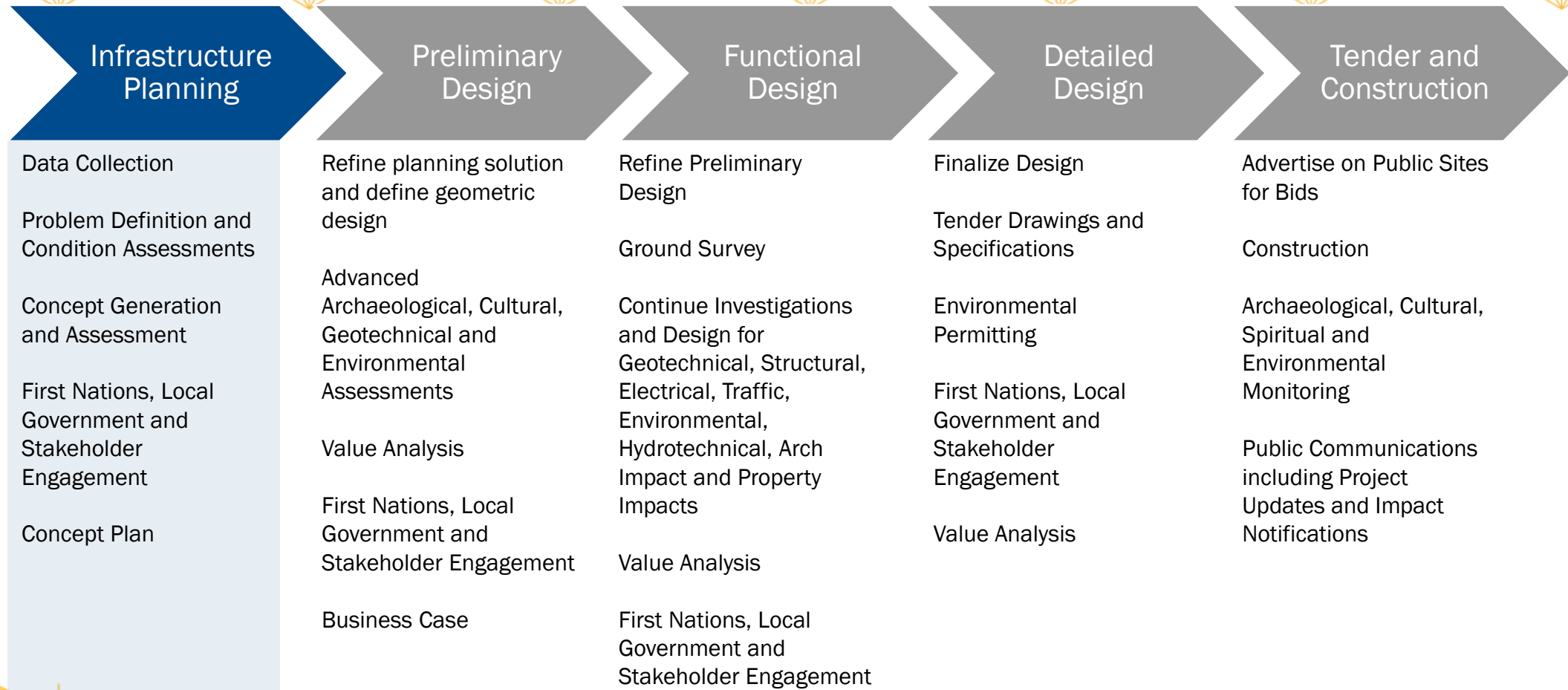
Westside Trail

Okanagan Rail Trail

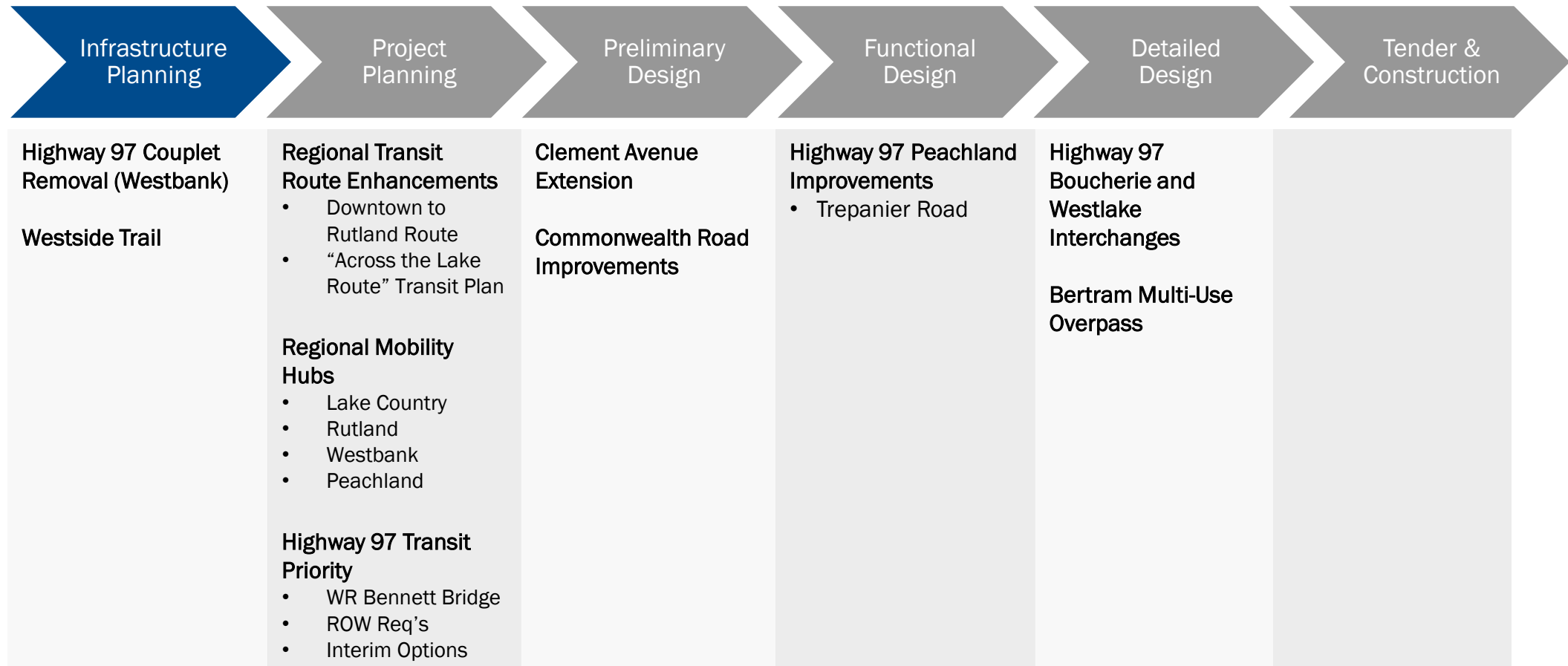
Bertram Multi-Use Overpass

Project Development Stages

Current Funding Approval



What's Next?



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