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CRD Step Code Acceleration: Part 3 Buildings

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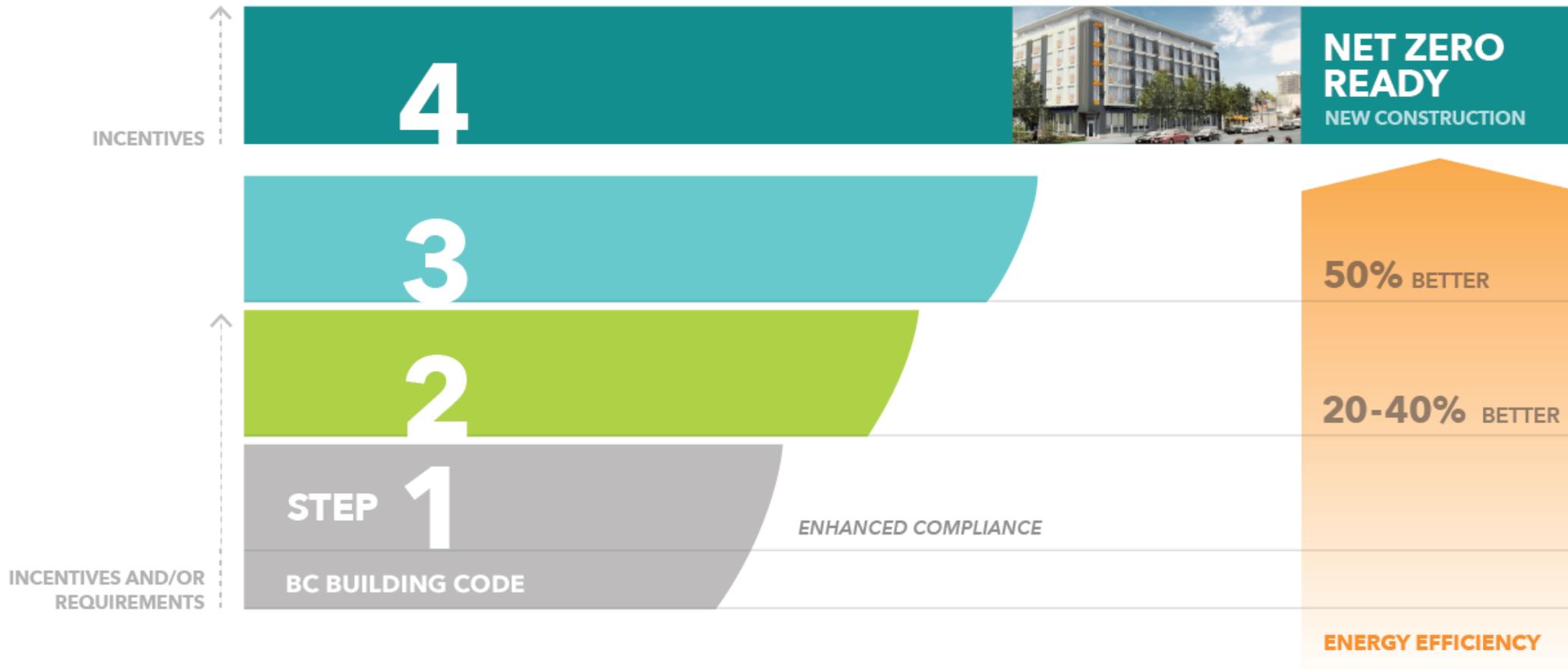


The Steps: Part 3 Wood Buildings

PATHWAY TO 2032: PART 3 (WOOD-FRAME RESIDENTIAL)

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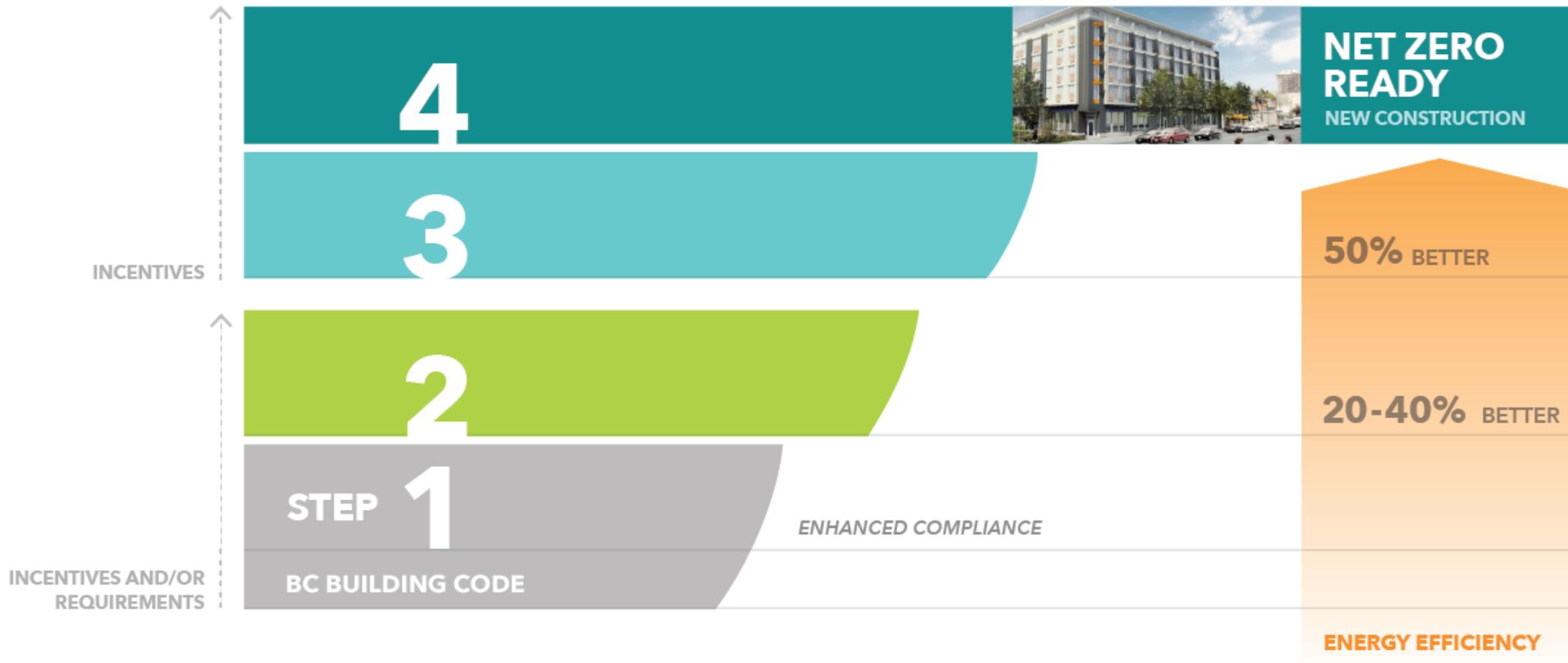


The Steps: Part 3 Concrete Buildings

PATHWAY TO 2032: PART 3 (CONCRETE RESIDENTIAL)

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Roadmap to Net-Zero Energy-Ready Buildings

Timeline for Energy Efficiency Regulatory Requirements in the BC Building Code

Here's what the province's CleanBC plan will mean for new-construction requirements.



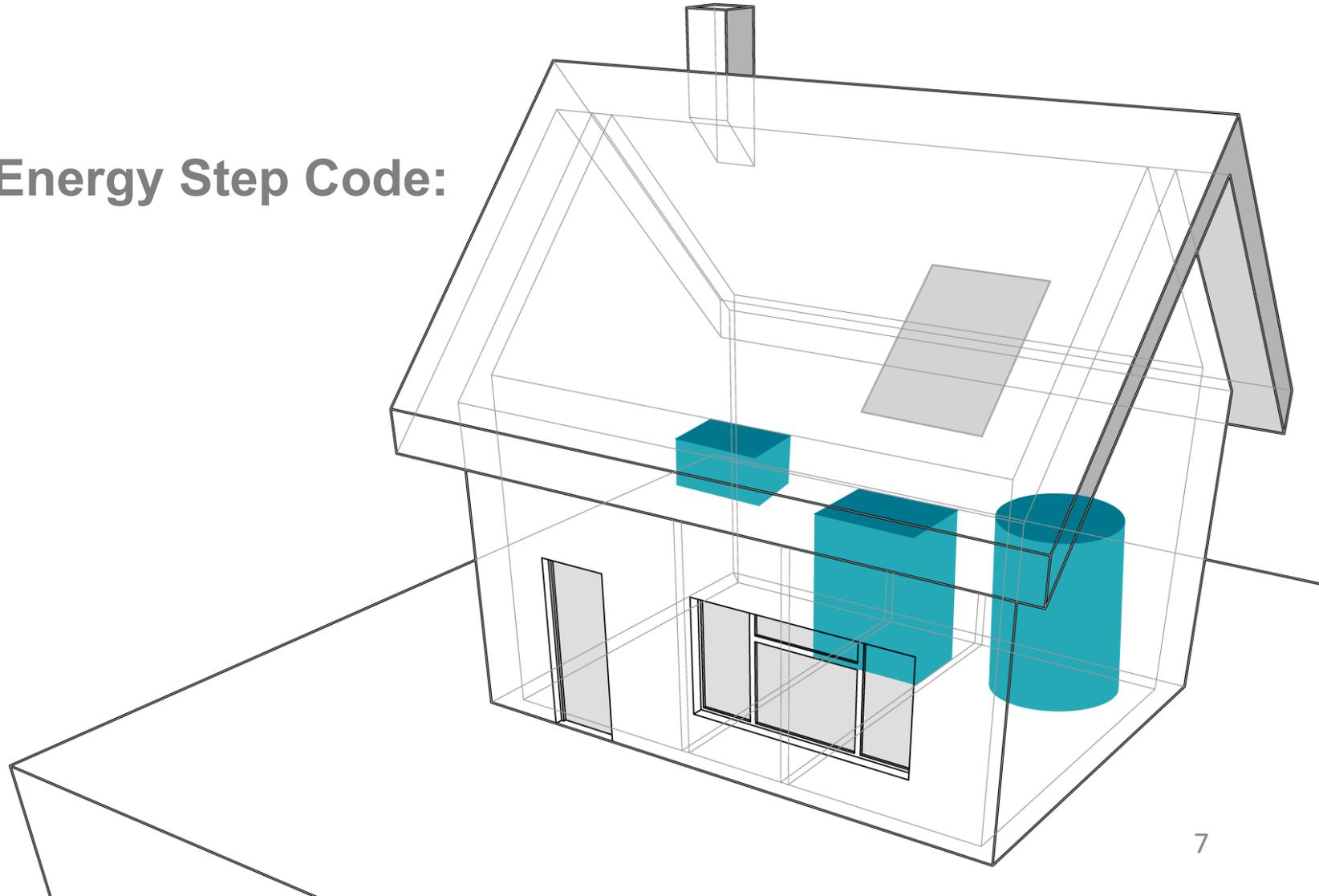
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What does the Energy Step Code Measure

‘Energy Efficiency’ in the Energy Step Code:

- ✓ **Envelope Efficiency**
- ✓ **Equipment Efficiency**
- ✓ **Performance based**



Step Code is Fuel Neutral – No GHG Metrics

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BY HEATING TYPE

NATURAL GAS
HEATING
EMISSIONS



Step 1 Step 3 Step 5

ELECTRIC
HEATING
EMISSIONS



Source:
*Metro Vancouver Climate 2050
Roadmap: Buildings (Oct 2021)*

Roadmap to 2030



Roadmap to 2030



- Already working with LGs to develop voluntary carbon pollution standards
- Zero Carbon new construction by 2030
- Highest efficiency standards for new space and water heating equipment

Current State of Step Code Implementation

- 53 LGs reference Step Code in their Building Bylaw
 - 53 LGs have Part 9 requirements
 - 42 LGs have Part 3 requirements
- 6 LGs reference upper steps
- 8 LGs have relaxations for low carbon energy systems (LCES)

Step Code in the CRD

Local Government

Part 3

Central Saanich

Step 3 for low rise wood residential
Step 2 for other residential and most commercial
Step 1 for others

Colwood

Step 3 for <7 story wood residential
Step 2 for other residential and most commercial

North Saanich

Step 3

Oak Bay

Step 2

Saanich

Step 3 for <7 story wood residential
Step 2 for other residential and most commercial

Sooke

Step 3 for low rise wood residential
Step 2 for other residential and most commercial

Victoria

Step 3 for <7 story wood residential
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Advancing Step Code Adoption

Leading Local/Regional Governments:

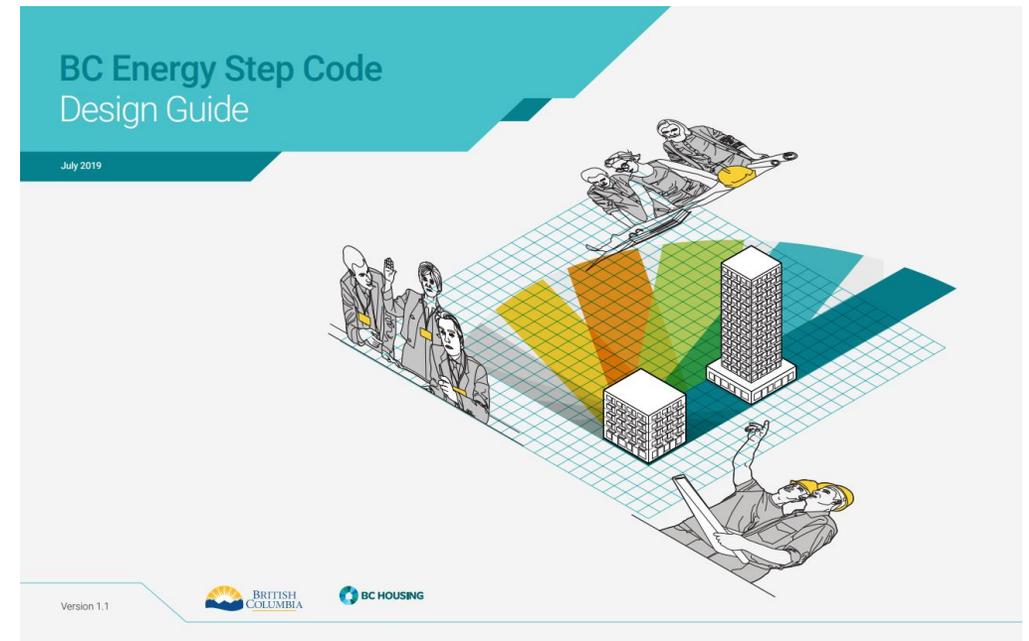
- Moving to mandatory upper steps
- Industry capacity building for upper steps and GHGI
- Low Carbon Energy System Relaxation (step up/step down)
- Planning to step up once code changes
- Plans to opt-in to Carbon Pollution Standard when available

Province-wide

- “20% better” minimum standard for energy efficiency in progress
 - Planned to take effect by end of 2022

Resources – Part 3

- BC Energy Step Code Design Guide
- Design Guide Supplement on Overheating and Air Quality
- Building Envelope Thermal Bridging Guide
- Energy Efficient Building Enclosures Design Guide
- Building Enclosure Design Guide: Wood-Frame MURBs
- Heat Recovery Ventilation Guide for MURBs
- Illustrated Guide: Achieving Airtight Buildings



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