

# BC ENERGY STEP CODE

## ABOUT THE STEP CODE

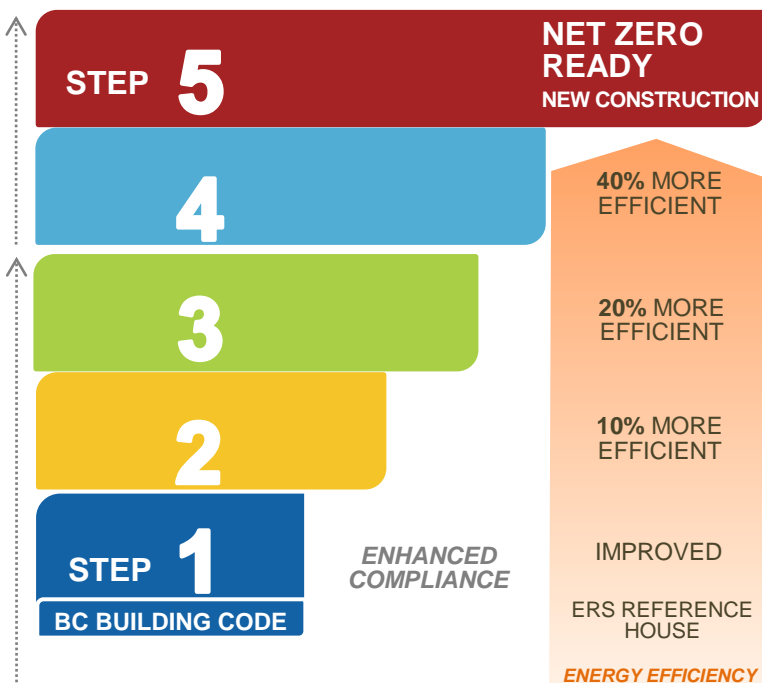
The BC Energy Step Code is a provincial standard designed to help both local government and industry incrementally move toward a future in which all new construction across the province is “net-zero energy ready” by 2032, meaning the building is capable of producing at least as much energy as it uses.

The Step Code provides a single standard and removes a patchwork of different standards previously adopted and allows local government to play a leadership role in improving energy efficiency through a single set of codes.

In Lake Country, and the Interior of BC, the Step Code only applies to Part 9 buildings which include houses and small buildings.

## PATHWAY TO 2032

2017 → 2032



## LAKE COUNTRY'S PROPOSED TIMELINE:

Building Type	Apr 1, 2019	Oct 1, 2020	Jan 1, 2022
Single Family 2/3/4-plex	STEP 1	STEP 3	STEP 3
Accessory Suite	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3
Townhouses/ Low-Rise Apartments	STEP 1	STEP 3	STEP 3

## INDUSTRY FEEDBACK SOUGHT

### Do you have questions about the BC Energy Step Code?

Get in touch with the District of Lake Country Building Department and provide your comments or ask questions about implementation of the BC Energy Step Code. We want to know:

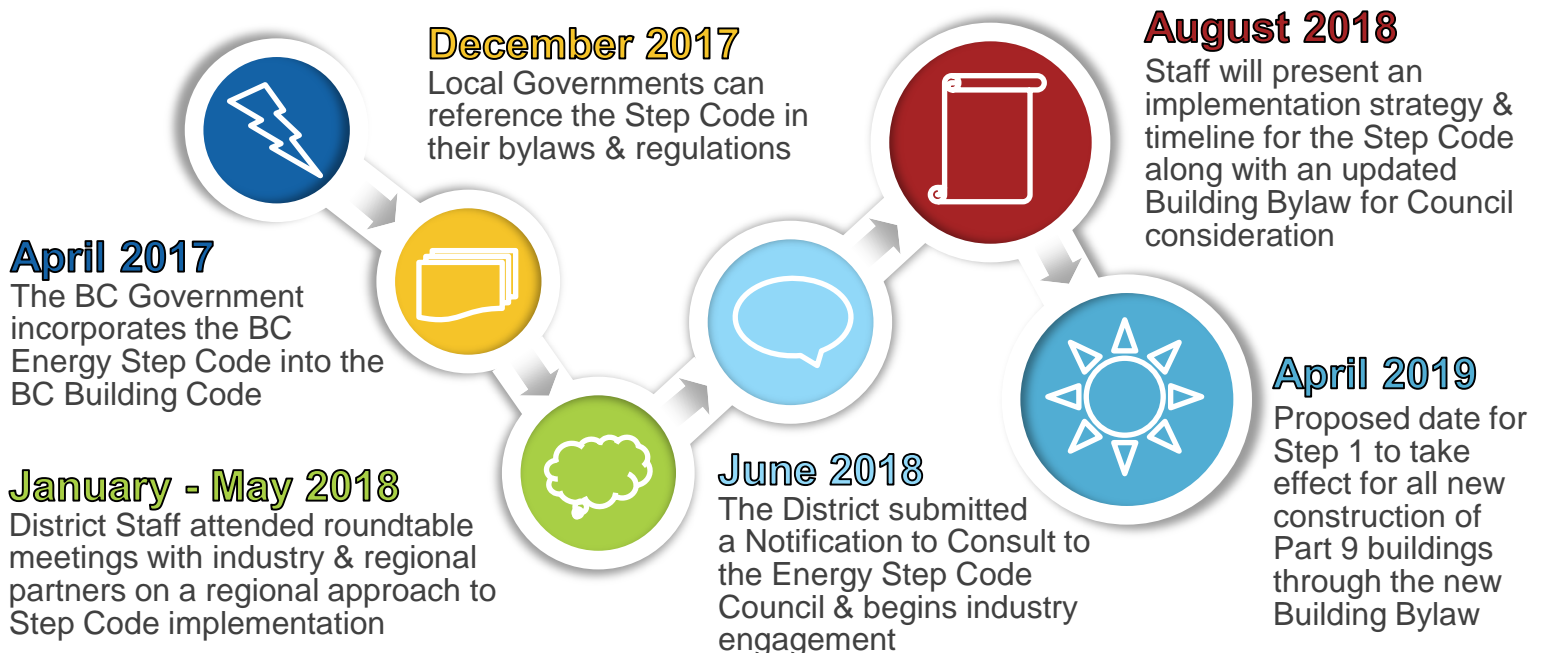
1. Why is the Step Code important to you or your business?
2. What should the District consider leading up to implementation of the Step Code?
3. How do you feel about the proposed Step Code implementation timeline?

Email your responses to the questions above to [building@lakecountry.bc.ca](mailto:building@lakecountry.bc.ca).

## PATHWAY TO 2032

The Step Code is currently a voluntary compliance path within the BC Building Code that establishes a series of measurable, performance-based energy-efficiency targets (or steps) that support market transformation from the current prescriptive energy-efficiency requirements to net-zero energy ready buildings by 2032.

The Step Code has five progressively higher steps that include Enhanced Compliance (Step 1), Lower Steps (Steps 2 & 3) and Upper Steps (Steps 4 & 5).



## HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON OUR STEP CODE STRATEGY?

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