

Overview of ISC Economic Development Programs

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ISC Economic Development Overview

Mission: To support the economic development priorities of Indigenous communities and organizations in Manitoba.

Our Primary Functions:

- Providing program-based funding support
- Connecting Indigenous communities and organizations with other government funding programs and partners

Program Supports:

- Lands & Economic Development Services Program (LEDSP)
- Community Opportunity Readiness Program (CORP)
- Strategic Partnerships Initiative (SPI)

Lands and Economic Development Services Program (LEDSP)



Program Overview LEDSP

- Provides support to First Nation and Inuit communities and organizations to undertake economic development, lands and environment management activities
- Intended to support the establishment of the conditions for economic development to occur
- Two LEDSP funding streams:
 - Core Funding
 - Targeted (proposal based)



LEDSP Targeted Funding

Examples of potential projects:

- Strategic planning, feasibility studies, and marketing
- Professional, consulting and advisory services
- Participation in training and professional development programs, conferences, workshops etc., related to opportunities the applicant is pursuing
- Land designations
- Land appraisals and surveys
- Environmental site assessments
- Environmental management planning



Community Opportunity Readiness Program (CORP)



Program Overview CORP

- Provides project-based funding for First Nation and Inuit communities and organizations for a range of activities to support communities' pursuit of economic opportunities
- Supports projects that will leverage the most from other funding sources, including the private sector, and will have the greatest impact on their community



Community Opportunity Readiness Program (CORP)



ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Activities related to the identification of business and economic development opportunities for the whole community

Apply to CORP

Maximum amount: 80% of eligible costs



BUSINESS PLANNING & ADVISORY SERVICES

- Support for business-specific costs
- Apply to CORP or AFI
- Maximum amount: \$250,000 or 80% of eligible costs



ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE

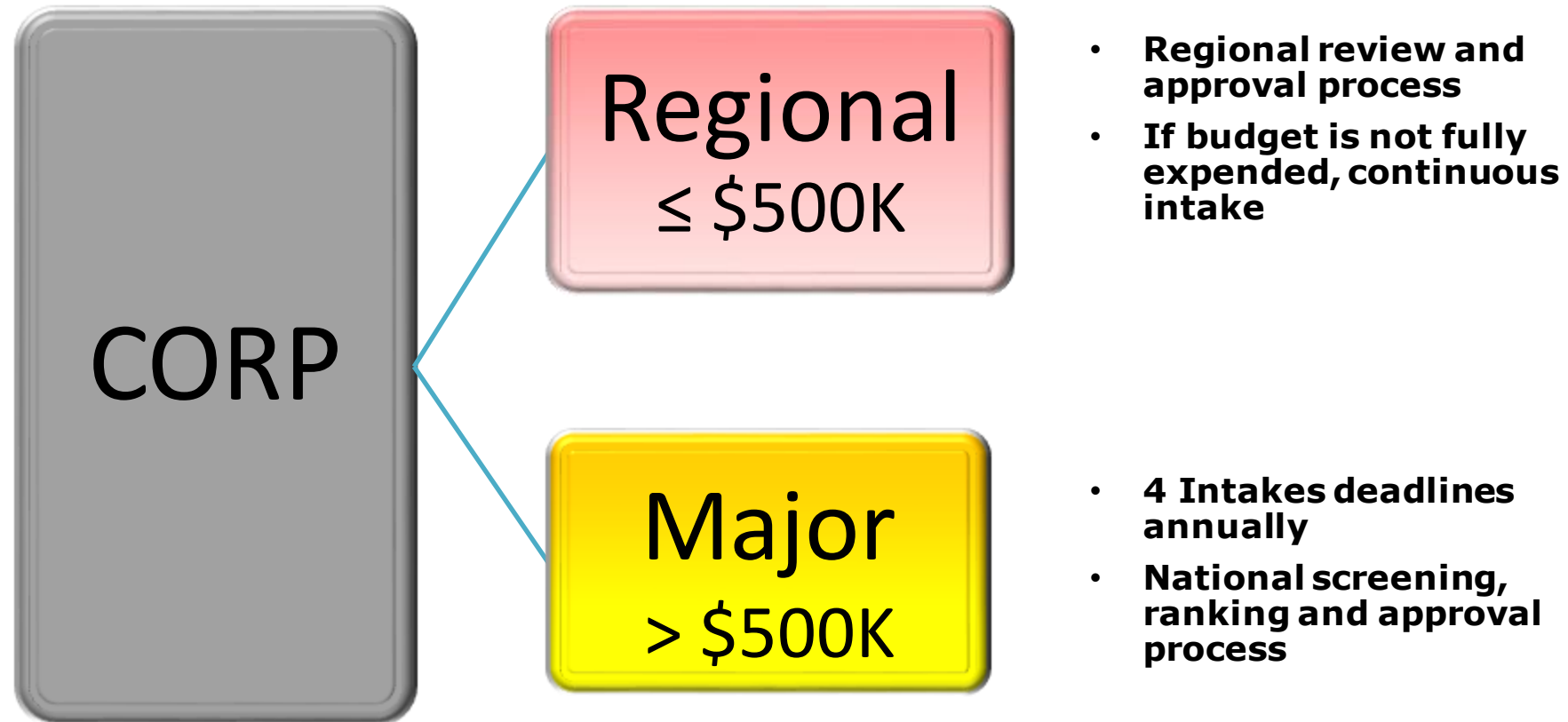
- Support for capital infrastructure costs related specifically to economic development infrastructure
- Apply to CORP
- Maximum amount: \$3,000,000 or 66.67% of eligible costs



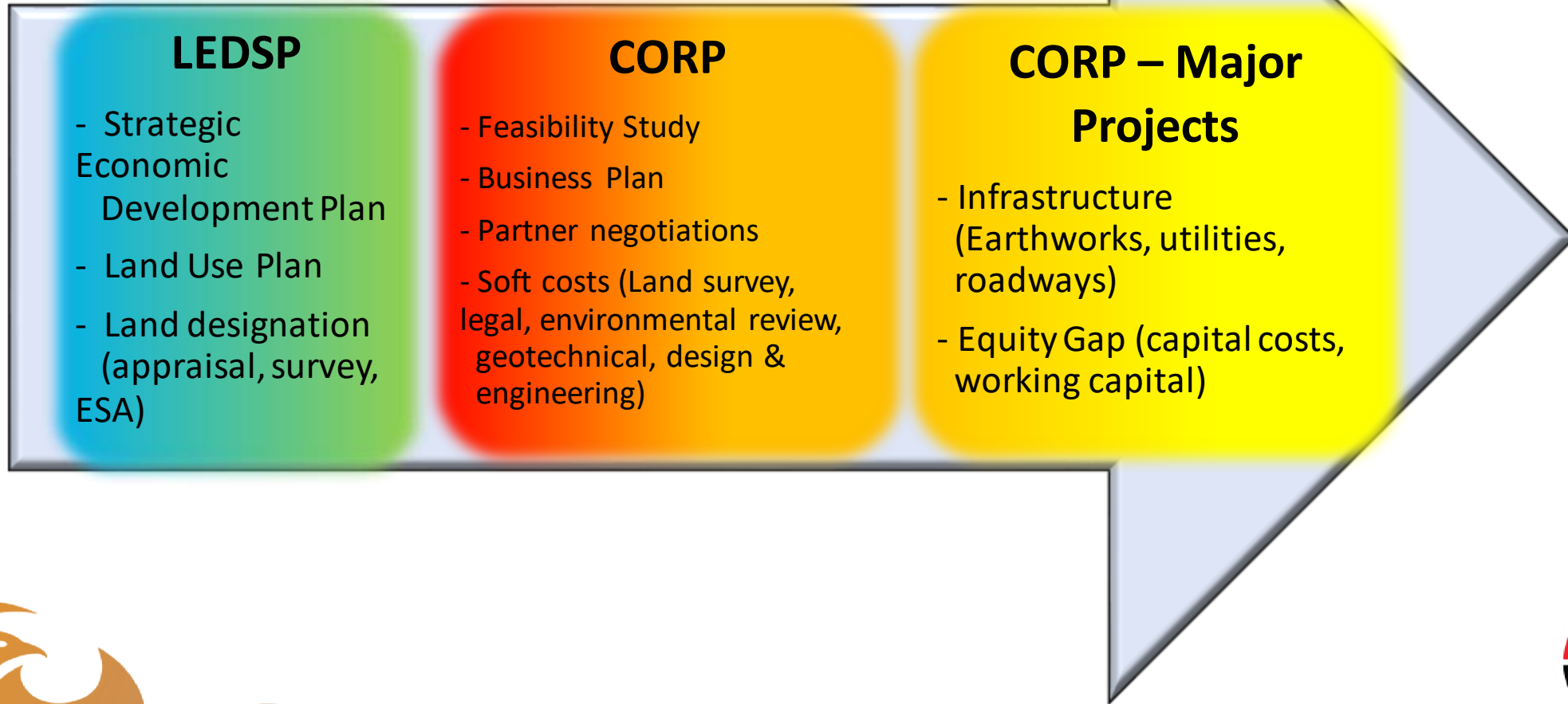
EQUITY GAP

- Costs related to the establishment, acquisition or expansion of a community-owned business
- Apply to CORP for over \$250,000 or to AFI for under \$250,000
- Maximum amount: \$1,000,000 or 30% of eligible costs for acquisitions or expansions and 40% of eligible costs for start-ups

CORP Process and Deadlines



Types of potential ISC funding to facilitate a specific project



PARTNERING FOR INDIGENOUS PROSPERITY

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS INITIATIVE



- Catalyst for organizing 22 government departments to increase Indigenous community readiness and participation in complex, multi-year economic opportunities.
- SPI provides the various federal partners with a way to coordinate their efforts, pool resources and reduce the administrative and reporting burden for recipients.
- SPI in MB: Mining, Fisheries, Urban reserves (Naawi-Oodena) and Clean Energy



Manitoba Indigenous Clean Energy Initiative (MBICEI)

- The initiative will support Indigenous communities to identify, plan, and implement economic development opportunities that increase energy efficiency or generate clean energy in Manitoba
- MBICEI funding partners include: ISC, PrairiesCan, Natural Resources Canada, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and Efficiency Manitoba
- Coordinated single-window approach to address existing funding/program gaps
- Initiative to commence in 2024/2025 pending budget approval



Thank you!



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