Step 4: Project Implementation

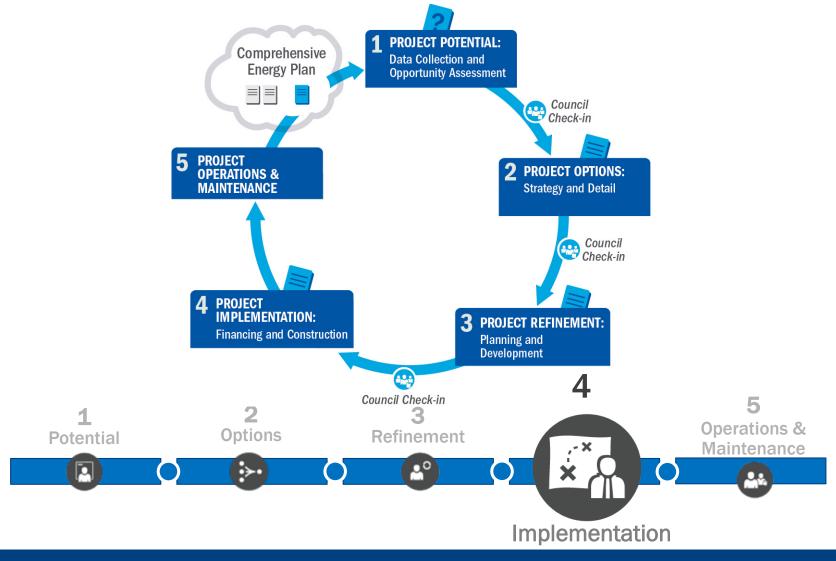








Project Implementation





Step 4: Implementation

Purpose: Realize physical construction of project

Tasks:

- Finalize preconstruction tasks
- Realize construction and equipment installation
- Realize interconnection
- Realize project commissioning

Output: Completed project (operation)



Step 4: Implementation

- 1. Pre-construction
 - Project kickoff
 - Design and construction documents, plans/schedules, submittals
- 2. Construction of project
 - Contract oversight/quality control
 - Change control
- 3. Commissioning
 - Testing and verification
 - Interconnection verification (utility)

Variable effort relative to project scale



Pre-construction

- Checklists for schedules and each activity based on contract and project documents
- Kickoff meeting
- Utility interconnection process and agreement
- Design (often in stages) and design approvals
- Other possible plans:
 - Utility
 - Construction
 - Management
 - QC
 - Commissioning
 - Environmental Protection
 - Security



Construction of Project

- Project developer orders equipment and begins construction or installation
- Construction manager coordinates work of various trades
- Close coordination with tenants if site is an occupied building
- Frequent communication among all parties to minimize possible issues



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Interconnection and Commissioning

- Project interconnected according to utility interconnection agreement and utility process
- Plan may be standardized by developer and technology and may be refined per individual system design
- Witnessing and/or third party independent commissioning may be stipulated
- Commissioning
 - Physical inspection
 - Testing
 - Whole-system performance testing



Commissioning

Planning

- Determine objectives and strategies
- Assemble project team
- Compile and review building and equipment documentation

Investigation

- Conduct site assessment
- Develop functional test and monitoring plans
- Analyze test results
- Compile master list of deficiencies and recommend improvements

Implementation

- Accepted recommendations are put in place
- Repairs and improvements
- Retesting and re-monitoring
- Fine-tuning

Hand-off and Integration

- Final documentation of commissioning effort is presented
- Develop and present plan for future commissioning efforts including recommended procedures for specific equipment, frequency of testing, analysis of results, periodic reporting, key players, and budget requirements



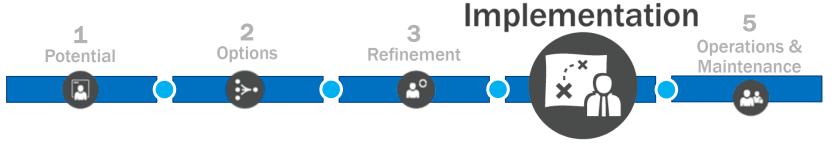
Step 4: Hypothetical – Outputs Implementation

- ✓ Completed and operating project
- ✓ New ownership organization completed (if needed)

Project Implementation Success

- Project generating electricity
- Project developed within budget







Project Risk - Post Step 4

	Risks	Risk Assessment Post Step 4
Development	 Poor or no renewable energy resource assessment Not identifying all possible costs Unrealistic estimation of all costs Incorrect estimation of long-term "community" energy use Utility rules and ability to offset use with centralized production; interconnection risk 	Low; site picked ✓ Low; detailed model ✓ Low; detailed model ✓ Low; final projection ✓ None; executed ✓
Site	 Structural (e.g. rooftop solar, wind loading, soil conditions) Installation safety (e.g., wind tower, hazard for adjacent sites) Site control for safety/security purposes 	None; addressed ✓ None; addressed ✓ Low; site secure ✓
Permitting	Tribe-adopted codes and permitting requirementsUtility interconnection requirements	Low; complete ✓ None; complete ✓
Finance	Capital availabilityIncentive availability risk	None; finalized ✓ None; finalized ✓
Construction/ Completion	EPC difficultiesCost overrunsSchedule	None; contracted ✓ None; construction complete ✓
Operating	Output shortfall from expectedTechnology O&M	Assumed low, mitigable or allocatable





Project Implementation 0 & M

- Set up maintenance schedules and contracts
- Schedule the final blower door on residential energy efficiency
- Schedule final inspections based on completion dates