

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

County Infrastructure Initiative Cluster Briefing

**Policy
Implementation and
Alignment Branch**

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Agenda

- I. BIL Background and Progress To-Date**
- II. Current Efforts on Initiative Implementation**
- III. Next Steps and Questions**

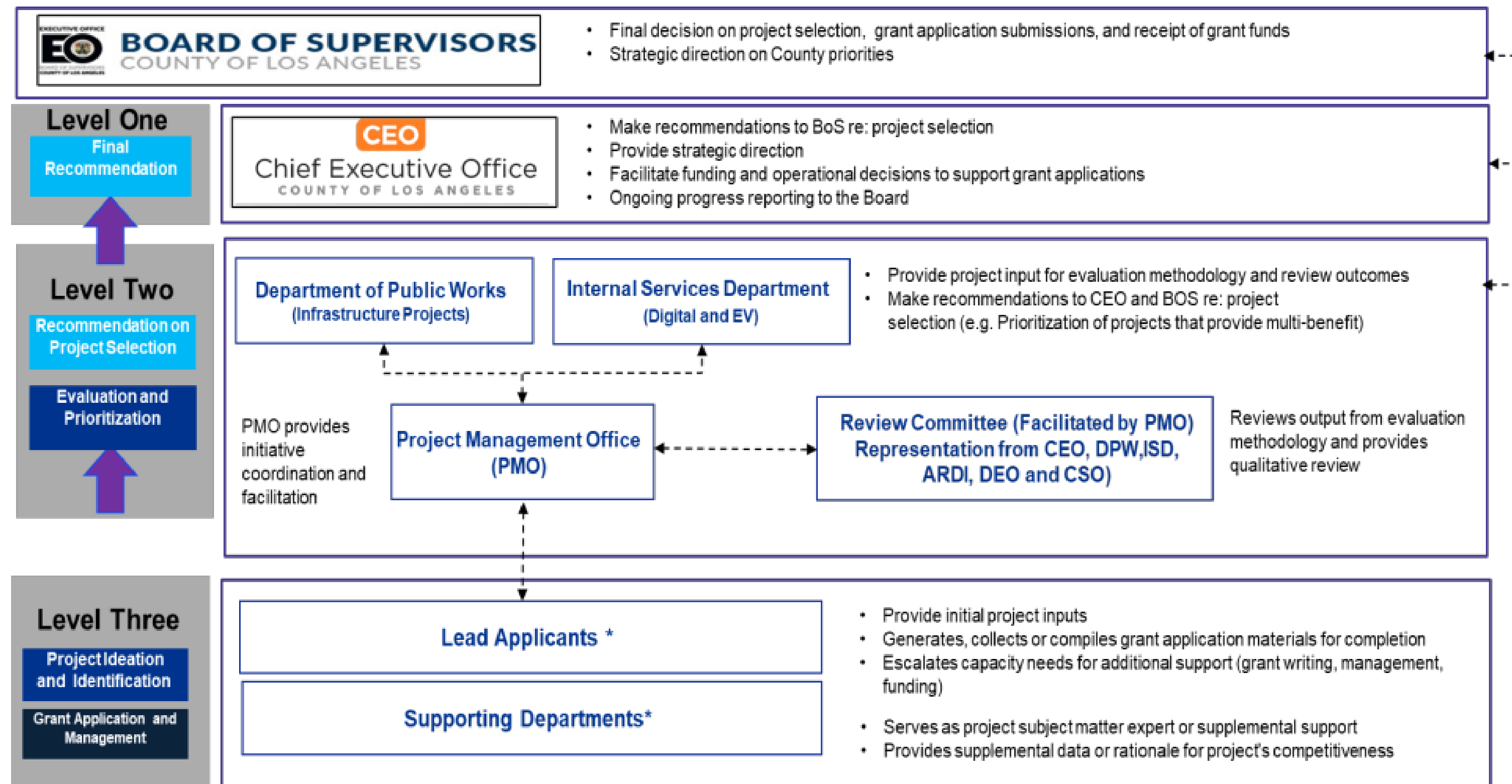


Progress To-Date

- Motion Directing CEO to establish the Infrastructure Initiative (April 2022)
- Report Back (December 2022) Deliverables:
 - Governance Plan/Structure
 - Project Scoring Methodology
 - Initiative Action Plan
 - Proposed Grants Management and Performance Indicators Tracking
- Ongoing implementation of Governance Plan and established (centralized) Project Management Office (PMO)
 - WSP onboarded for implementation of Deliverables

Progress To-Date: Established Governance Plan

Figure 2: Governance Model





Current Efforts

- Departmental BIL grants training will be held on April 24th and 26th
- Refine workflow process for project escalation
- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) tracking and planning for releases
- Establishment of Review Committee within the Governance Plan and creation of internal project vetting/quality assurance processes

Current Efforts: Refine Workflow Process and Project Escalation

WSP Test Case Project Analysis: Initial Observations and Working Through Details of Test Projects

Collaboration with Lead Applicant (Departments)

- Identifying project Subject Matter Experts
- Identify supporting departments

Standardize Submission Formats

- Alignment with Governance Plan and Selection Criteria
- Alignment with BIL Criteria
- Support to departments from CEO and WSP in application development

Current Efforts: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Tracking and Planning

PMO Review of Past and Planned NOFO Releases

CEO to Consult with WSP on NOFOs Relevant to County Priorities

- Creation of internal calendar when possible
- Analysis of past NOFOs to align potential projects with recurring NOFO criteria

PMO Analysis of County Project List

- Inventory County proposed projects to combine applications
- Actively seek countywide/regional partners with intent to combine projects under the same BIL program to submit larger grant requests



Next Steps

- CEO to collaborate with WSP and PW to monitor NOFOs and coordinate with departments
- Review existing list of proposed projects to identify potential partnerships across County
- PMO to partner with PW identifying lessons learned from submitted and awarded applications
- Refine Evaluation Methodology based on lessons learned to elevate truly competitive projects



Thank you.