



Public Accounts and Estimates Committee 2012-13 Budget Estimates Hearings

Minister for Regional and Rural Development

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About the Department of Planning and Community Development



Planning
for growth and change

Investing in
communities

Growing regional
and rural Victoria

Planning

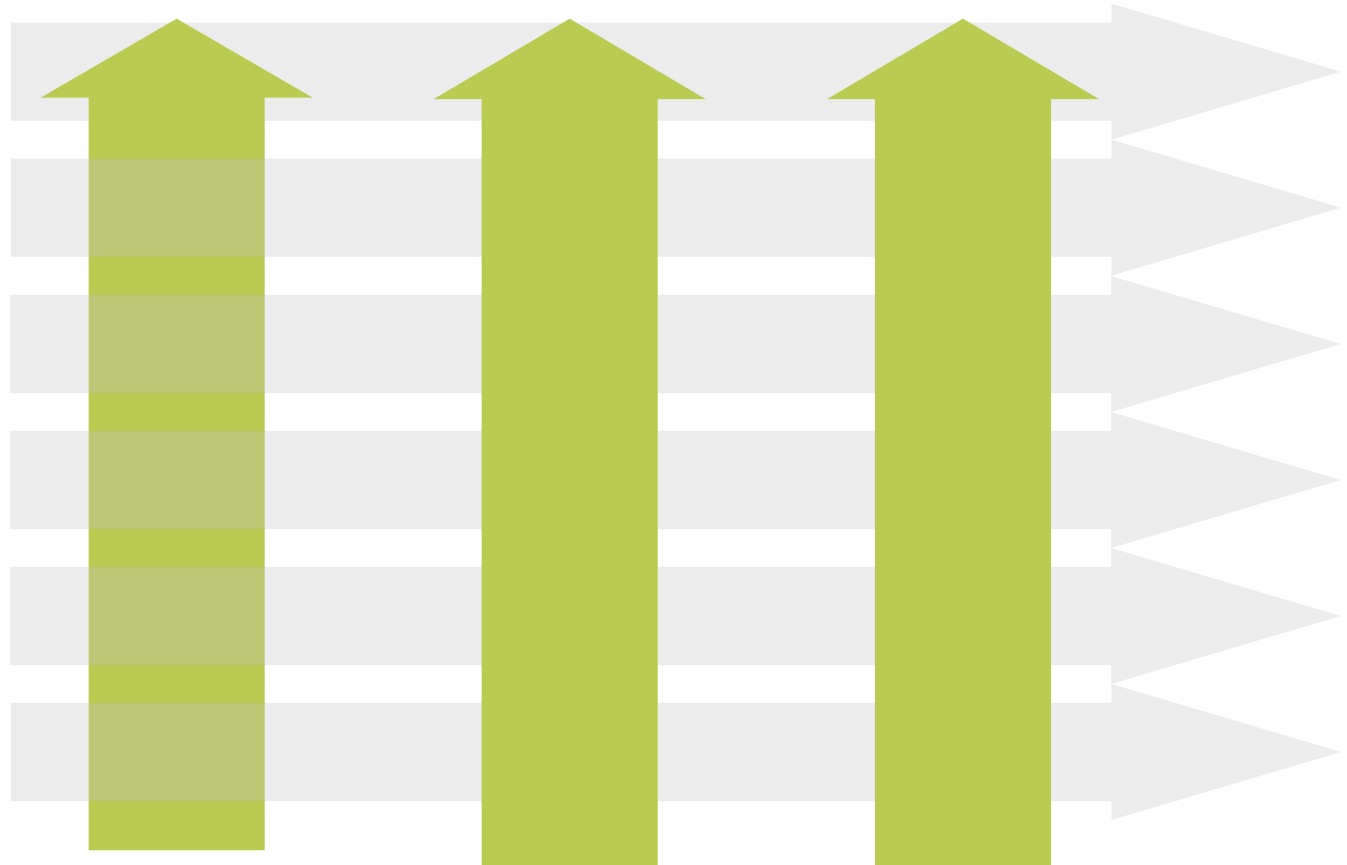
**Regional Development
and Regional Cities**

Local Government

Sport and Recreation

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Veterans' Affairs

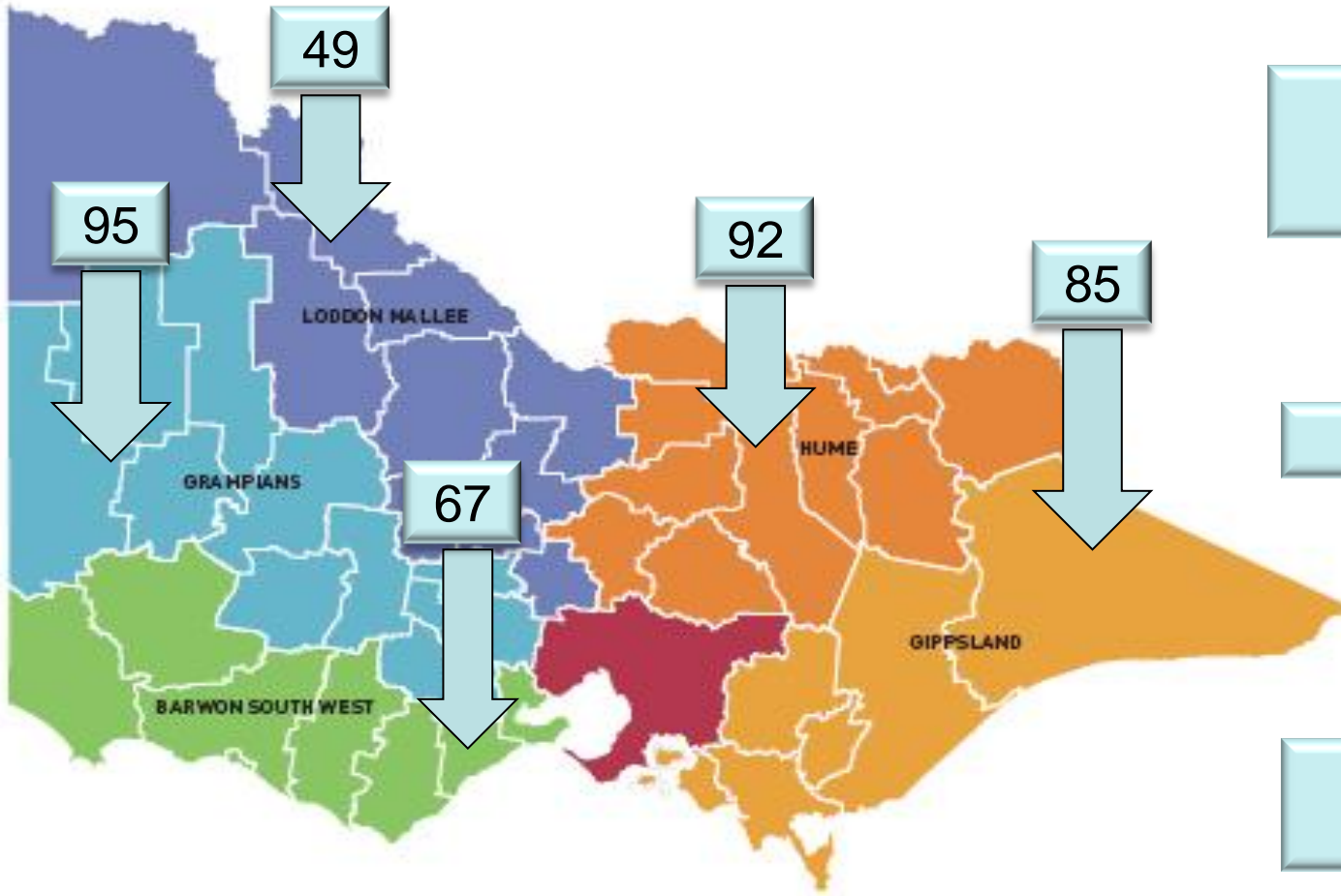




Key Achievements 2011-12 – Regional and Rural Development

- Establishment and implementation of the Regional Growth Fund
- Regional jobs growth and investment
- Regional business discussions
- Floods Response
- Co-operative intergovernmental arrangements in the Latrobe Valley
- Establishment of Regional Policy Advisory Committee

\$1 Billion Regional Growth Fund- Projects



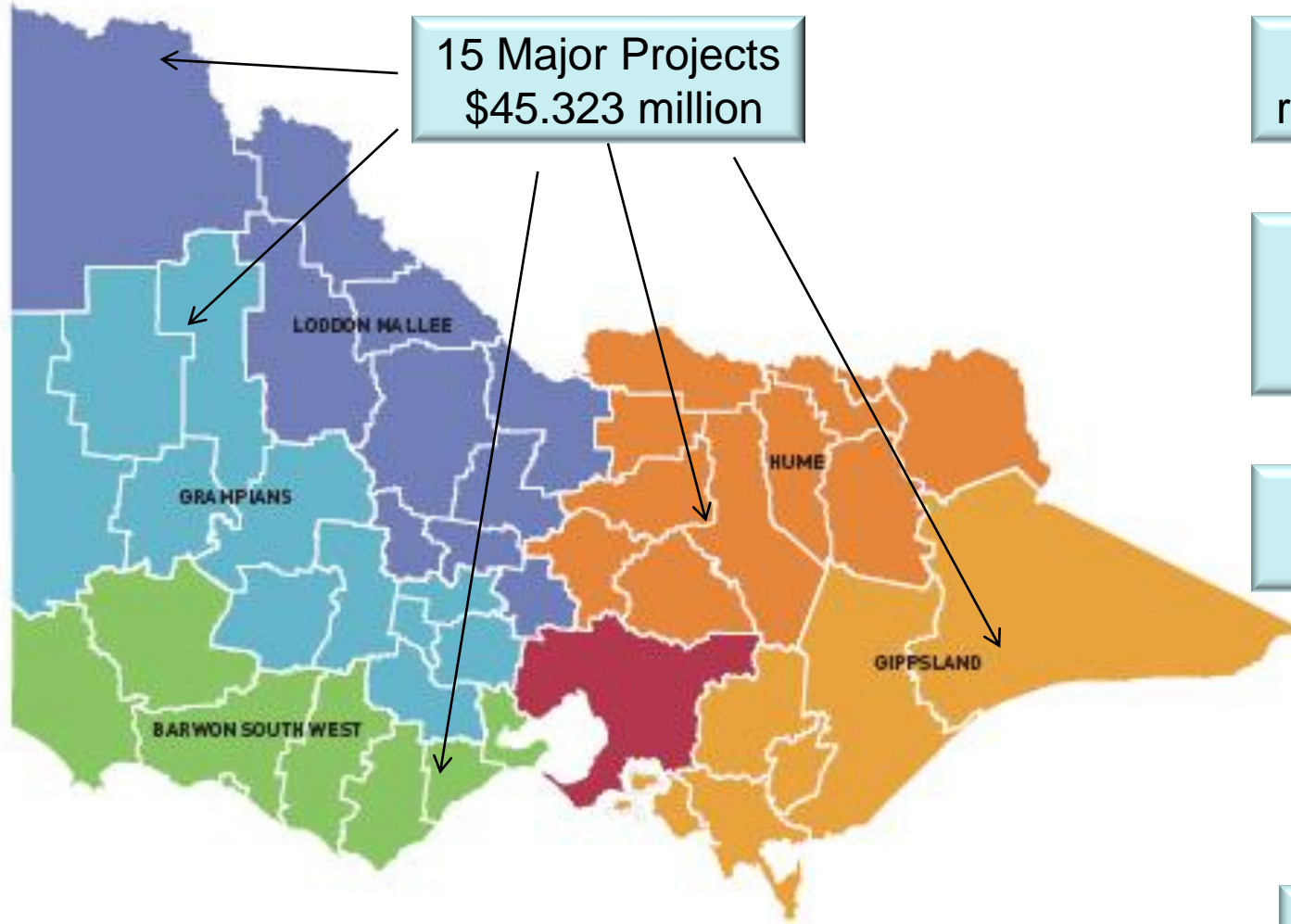
Creating Jobs and improving career opportunities

Infrastructure

Strengthening the economy

Facilities & Services

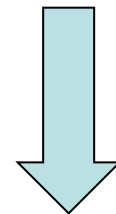
Economic Infrastructure Program



Strengthening regional industries

Supporting and growing local communities

Facilitating investments



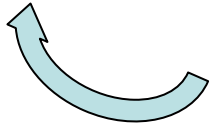
\$221 million over four years

Economic Infrastructure Program



Hazeldene's Energy and Water Security Project

100 new
Jobs
created



RGF EI
Grant:
\$2,000,000



\$8.727m
project at
Lockwood
site

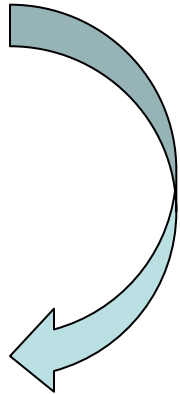


Putting Locals First - \$100 million



87 projects across regional Victoria

Local jobs and economic benefits



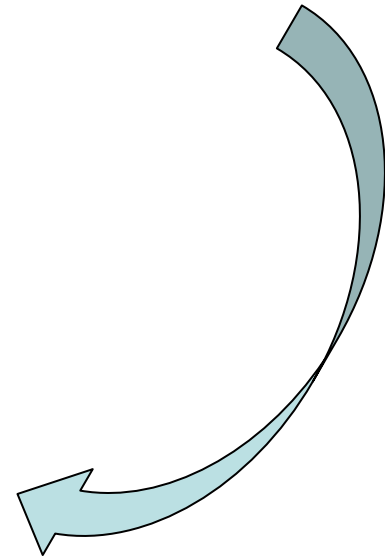
Eg. Loddon Mallee - \$300k towards Kyabram Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail (2 direct jobs)

Local Government Infrastructure Program

\$100 million



\$2m for the \$8m Bendigo Library redevelopment





Leading the Flood Recovery Effort

- RDV is delivering key flood recovery initiatives, with \$12.7 million in funding support already approved.
- Highlights include:
 - 19 Flood Recovery Officers appointed across 32 LGAs following 2010/11 floods.
 - Two projects approved under the *Victorian Business Flood Recovery Fund*, with capital investments of \$54.75million and 135 new jobs.
 - 22 more businesses under consideration for funding, with total capital expenditure of \$43.3 million and 244 new jobs.
 - \$5.2 million approved for 114 projects in 26 flood affected Councils under the *Flood Recovery Community Infrastructure Fund*.



Extending Bushfire Recovery Support

Achievements 2011/12

- A new Fire Recovery Unit established within RDV
- Funding of a new \$5.2 million economic package for Marysville
- Commencement of the Marysville Hotel and Conference Centre process
- Commencement of the Bushfire Buy-back Scheme
- Bushfire Infrastructure Fund
 - *supporting longer-term needs of communities in the 10 most bushfire affected councils*
- Community Recovery Fund
 - *addressing longer-term recovery through the restoration of social networks, functioning and community facilities.*

Priorities 2012/13

- Provision of funding through the State Budget for the Marysville Hotel and Conference Centre and Bushfire Buy-back Scheme
- Commitment to the continuation of support to fire-affected individuals and communities through the Fire Recovery Unit





Investing in stronger Victorian communities

- Supporting communities to build their resilience, capacity and adaptability
- Supporting and promoting volunteering
- Making it easier for communities to work with government
- Diversifying the funding base for community organisations
- Advancing Country Towns

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MELBOURNE CONVENTION
& EXHIBITION CENTRE
27-29 April



Emerging Issues/Priorities for 2012-13

- Continued focus on growing regional jobs
- Continued focus on delivery of regional commitments through RGF and other programs.
- Strengthening community capacity and leadership in small towns
- Manage structural adjustment challenges in specific locations (Latrobe Valley, Murray Darling Basin)
- Continue strong partnership with Regional Development Australia.



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