

CLEAN AND GREEN PATHWAYS

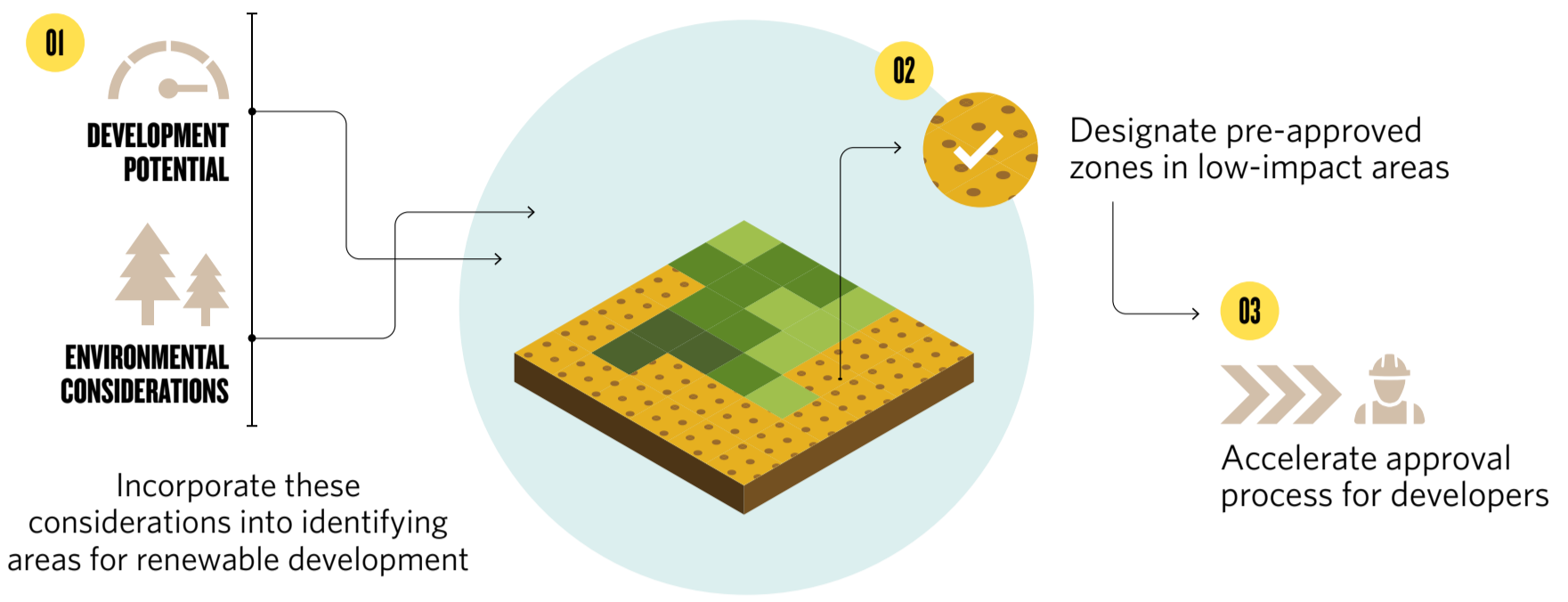
for the Renewable Energy Buildout

Clean energy production must increase rapidly to meet our planet's ambitious climate goals. We are now at the beginning of an enormous global buildout of renewable energy. But key infrastructure such as onshore wind and large-scale solar installations require a lot of land. Siting renewable energy in areas that support wildlife habitat not only harms nature but also increases the potential for project conflicts that could slow the buildout—a prospect we cannot afford.

Fortunately, there is plenty of previously developed land that can be used to meet our clean energy needs—at least 17 times the amount needed to meet the Paris Agreement goals. Here are six ways that governments, corporations and lenders can promote a clean and green renewable energy buildout.

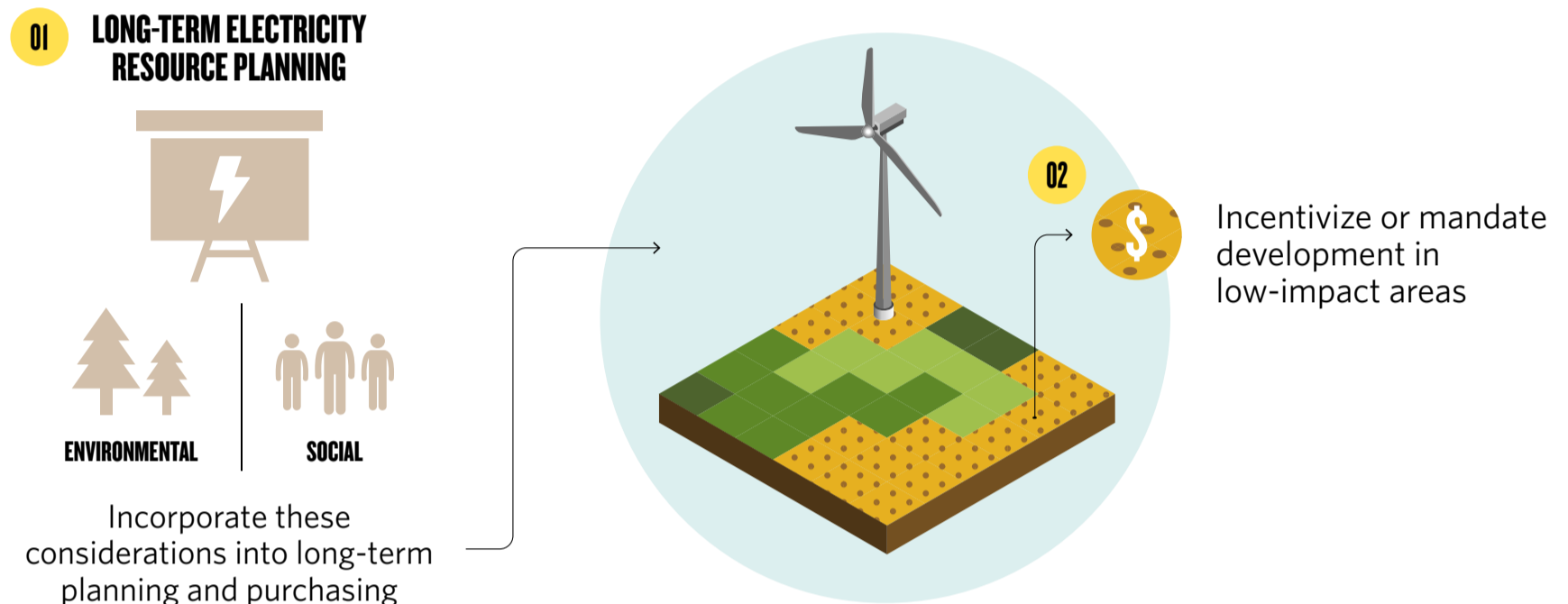
PATHWAY 01: GET IN THE ZONE

Identify areas where renewable energy buildout can be accelerated



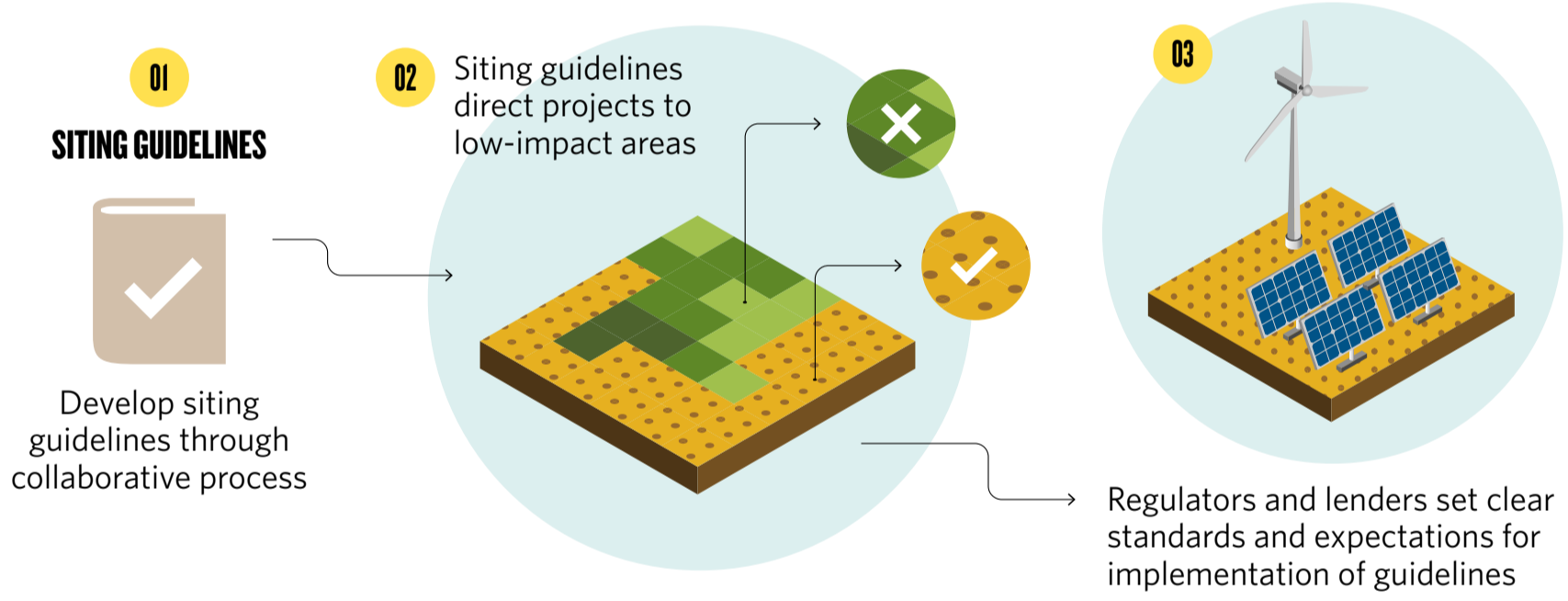
PATHWAY 02: PLAN AHEAD

Consider habitat and species in long-term energy planning and purchasing processes



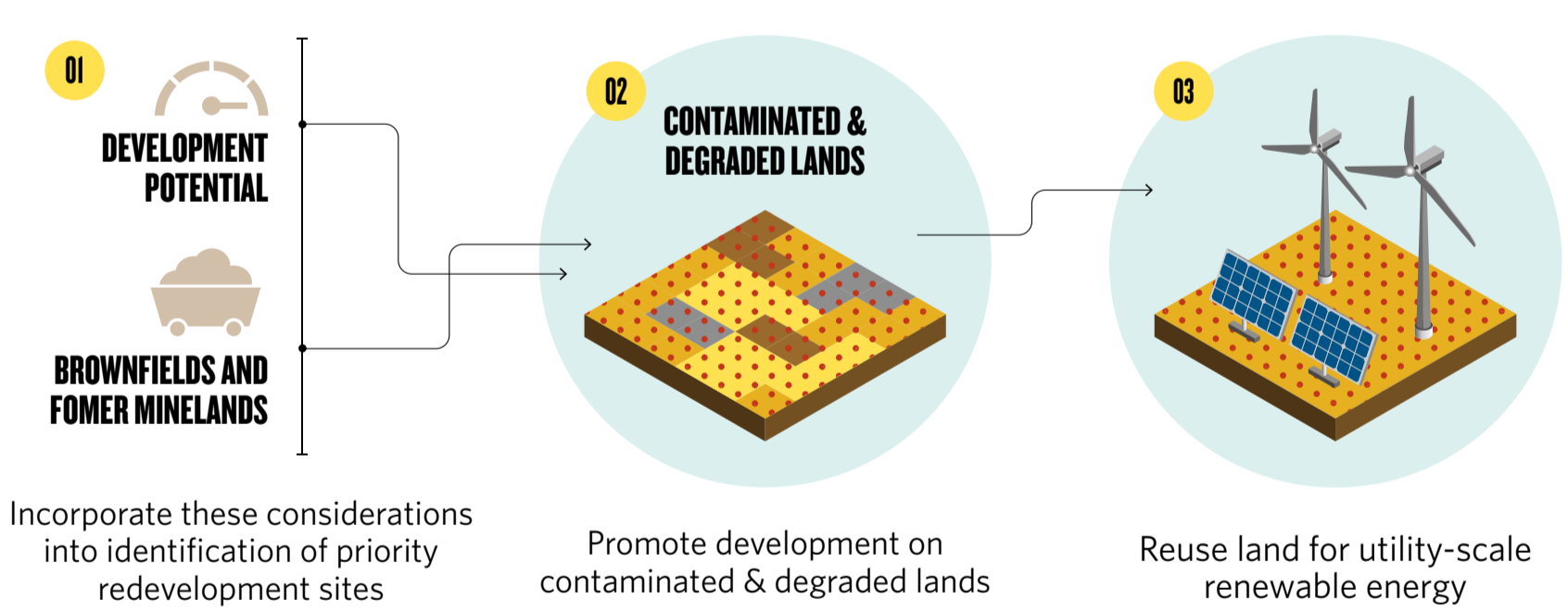
PATHWAY 03: SITE RENEWABLES RIGHT

Develop science-based guidelines for low-impact siting



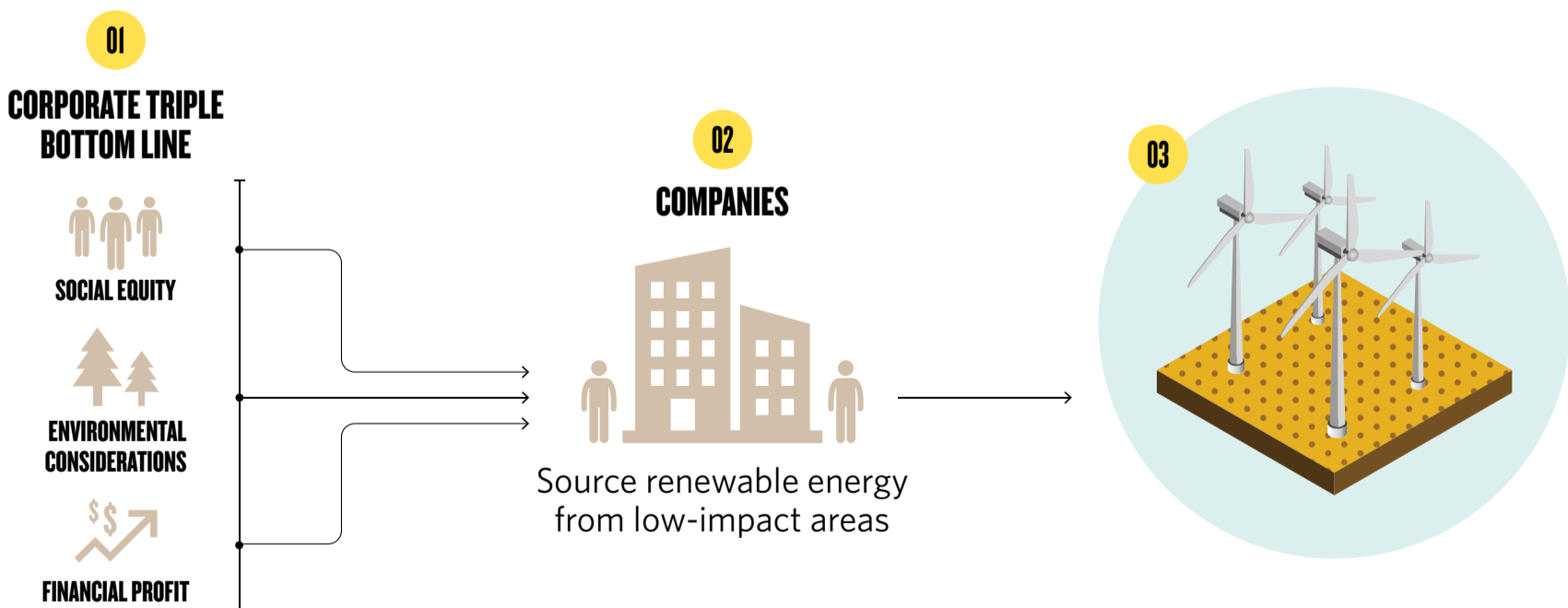
PATHWAY 04: CHOOSE BROWNFIELDS OVER GREENFIELDS

Facilitate development on former mine lands and industrial sites



PATHWAY 05: BUY RENEWABLES RIGHT

Make corporate commitments to buy low-impact renewable energy to meet clean energy goals



PATHWAY 06: RENEWABLE ENERGY FINANCE

Apply lending performance standards to ensure renewable energy investments are clean and green

