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*Updated Project Management Process for All  
External Bureau of Land Management, Nevada  
National Environmental Policy Act Projects*





# Background

- In previous years, BLM NV initiated the NEPA process prior to collecting baseline data and refining applications, plans of operation, or plans of development.
  - This method resulted in lengthy NEPA analyses often lasting years.
- In response, BLM NV created efficiencies in by implementing a robust “pre-NEPA” process.
- Since BLM NV implemented this process in NV IM 2023-003 Change 1, project outcomes improved and NEPA timelines shortened.
- Over time, BLM NV further improved, refined, and clarified its process which is published in this updated Instruction Memorandum (BLM NV IM 2024-019).





# The BLM NV Process

Hallmark is robust *pre-NEPA* work prior to initiating the official NEPA process:

- ✓ Collection of baseline data
- ✓ Refinement of applications, plans of operation/development
- ✓ Drafting of Supplemental Information Report (SIR) and Supplemental Environmental Reports (SERs)
- ✓ Drafting Biological Assessment (if practicable)

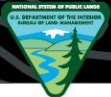
## Challenges:

- Multiple triggers starting the NEPA clock
- Language nuances “proposed plan” & “received” vs “accept”
- Educating proponents of the advantages of the process
- Familiarizing stakeholders with the pre-NEPA process

## Advantages of robust pre-NEPA:

- Shorter NEPA time.
- Fewer “go backs” during or after NEPA.
- Better meets spirit and intent of NEPA.





## Phase 1: Before Baseline Studies Begin

- ✓ Project proponent submits **draft** application (APP), plan of operation (POO), or plan of development (POD).
- ✓ AO begins pre-NEPA within 90 days of accepting a *draft* APP/POO/POD.
  - ❑ Conduct pre-NEPA kick off meeting with affected parties
  - ❑ Baseline Needs Assessment Form (BNAF) completed
  - ❑ Cost Recovery Agreement signed
- ✓ Proponent begins collection of baseline data.

Conversation with proponent.

## Phase 2: After Baseline Studies are Complete

- ✓ When baseline studies are complete then...
  - ❑ Drafting of Supplemental Information Report (SIR) and Supplemental Environmental Reports (SERs) begin.
  - ❑ BLM/USFWS enter into formal consultation agreement.
  - ❑ BLM enters into formal Cooperating Agency (CA) agreements (with MOUs).
- ✓ Proponent refines APP/POO/POD
  - ❑ Prepare APP/POO/POD for finalization
  - ❑ Begin drafting Biological Assessment (BA), if practicable
  - ❑ Conduct Initial Action Notice (IAN) briefing with HQ.
  - ❑ Prepare Notice of Intent (NOI)



## Start of NEPA

- ❑ Publish NOI to Federal Register (*NV IM 2024-020*)
- ❑ **BLM accepts APP/POO/POD as complete.**

IM currently underway...



# Start and Stop of NEPA Clock

## For EIS

- Date of NOI  
*OR*
- Date of letter notifying proponent of:
  - ✓ Acceptance of APP/POO/POD
  - ✓ Level of NEPA

Ideally,  
synchronize  
the dates.

## For EA

- Date of letter notifying proponent of:
  - ✓ Acceptance of APP/POO/POD
  - ✓ Level of NEPA*OR*
- At the start of public involvement for an EA at either scoping or at public review.

Ideally,  
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the dates.





# Page and Time Limitations

## For EIS

- 1 year (2 years statutory)
  - Time extensions permitted if approved
- 150 pages (300 if complex and approved)
  - No exceptions allowed

## For EA

- 6 months (1 year statutory)
  - Time extensions permitted if approved
- 75 pages
  - No exceptions allowed





# NV IM 2024-024 Updated Project Management Process for All Internal BLM NV NEPA Projects, Attachment 1 – Project Management Process

Time to complete	Work Package	<b>BLM NV Project Management Process (PMP) for NEPA Projects</b>	
The process outline below is not comprehensive and may require some flexibility depending on the project, affected environment and stakeholders involved. Work Packages may be completed concurrently when possible to save time.			
<b>1</b>		<b>Project Proponent Contacts BLM NV at the Conceptual Stage</b>	
<b>Pre-NEPA</b>		<b>For Anticipated EIS</b>	<b>For Anticipated EA</b>
1.1	The proponent contacts the field office regarding their proposed project. Typically this is an Application (APP - for drilling permits, special recreation permit, etc.), Plan of Operation (POO - for mines), or Plan of Development (POD - for renewable energy and other projects).		
1.2	The proponent provides a clear project description, conceptual drawings, maps, and begins informal coordination with the BLM NV to understand the process, requirements and manage expectations. The draft APP/POO/POD must have enough information by which BLM NV staff can make decisions and produce a Baseline Needs Assessment as provided on a Baseline Needs Assessment Form (BNAF).		
<i>Note 1</i>	When a sufficient enough APP/POO/POD is submitted (as determined by the BLM NV Authorized Officer (AO) with notification) then BLM will provide the proponent with a BNAF and Cost Reimbursement Agreement (CRA) within 90 days of the AO's notification. Details in Work Package (WP) #3.		
<i>Note 2</i>	Pre-NEPA coordination can take a year or more for proponents unfamiliar with the BLM NV process or inexperienced with their type of project in Nevada, before a proponent can submit a sufficient enough APP/POO/POD to receive a BNAF and CRA from BLM NV. For highly experienced proponents who have done a significant amount of homework already, this phase could take just a few months. Once NEPA starts, proponents can often expect to get to Final EA/EIS within 6/12 months, respectively.		
<i>Note 3</i>	Typically, BLM has 30 days to review a <b>final</b> APP/POO/POD and/or SF-299 and determine it's completeness, or incompleteness. <b>Proponents submitting a final without first submitting a draft and going through the pre-NEPA process with BLM NV leads to inefficiencies for both parties.</b> BLM NV staff shall encourage proponents to share their <b>draft</b> APP/POO/POD and/or SF-299 with BLM NV early for input and refinement, to build the BNAF, refine and perfect their APP/POO/POD while baseline studies are underway, then submit their <b>final</b> APP/POO/POD about 90 days prior to publishing the NOI.		

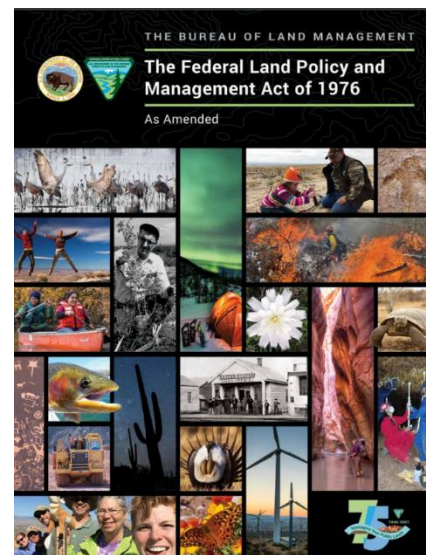
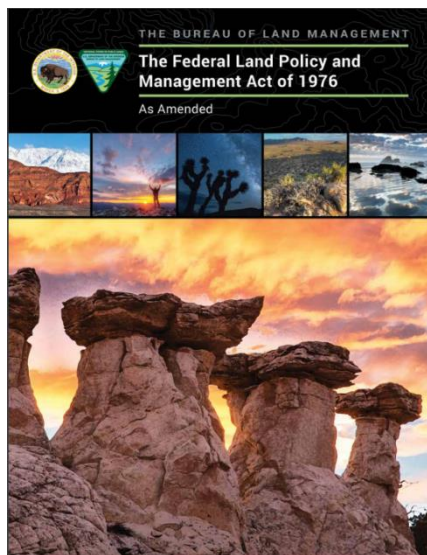
Up to 1 year or



longer

Note 4	The proponent hiring a Pre-NEPA Contractor to draft the APP/POO/POD and/or begin baseline studies before beginning meaningful coordination with BLM NV does not obligate BLM NV to re-arrange their already approved Program of Work (POW) for the year. Baseline studies must comply with BLM NV, and applicable Local, State, and Federal standards.
Note 5	Submission of a final APP/POO/POD or a preliminary EA prior to meaningful coordination with BLM NV does not obligate BLM NV to re-arrange their approved POW for the year. (Non-discretionary projects are excepted, although early and meaningful coordination is still encouraged and appreciated).
Note 6	BLM NV will not initiate the official NEPA process until all baseline studies are complete and accepted by BLM NV, the Supplemental Information Report (SIR) and Supplemental Environmental Reports (SERs) are drafted, and the APP/POO/POD perfected pursuant to applicable regulations.
1.3	Determine if project is in conformance with current Land Use or Resource Management Plans. If YES then move on to the next step. If NO then brief the State Director on the need for a project driven RMP Amendment.
1.4	Determine if a Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA) is appropriate or sufficient (instead of moving forward with new NEPA).
1.4.1	If "YES" then write a DNA (as opposed to doing new NEPA).
1.4.2	If "NO" then continue with the NEPA process.
1.5	District Offices (DOs) and Field Offices (FOs) shall provide project proponents a completed CRA (if applicable, notwithstanding program specific requirements) and BNAF detailing the baseline studies and protocols required for the project within 90 days of Note 1 unless otherwise agreed upon by the project proponent and approved by the State Director. See WP #3 for details.

2		Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) Formation for Baseline Needs Assessment	
Pre-NEPA		For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA
	2.1	A BLM NV Project Manager (PM) is assigned, or project proponent may contract a PM <i>to work directly for the BLM NV</i> on their project(s) (if approved by the AO). If approved, BLM NV will provide a Statement of Work (SOW).	
	2.2	PM meets with the FM/AFM or Branch Chief to initiate the pre-NEPA process.	
1 month	2.3	An IDT is assigned.	
	2.4	The PM will notify the IDT via email of their assignment, and provide project information to the IDT.	
	2.5	Once an IDT is assigned to a new project, each resource specialist will initiate a preliminary desktop survey to help determine baseline needs.	
	2.6	The IDT conducts internal scoping, identifies issues, initiates a preliminary desktop survey (to help determine baseline needs), determines which SERs to do (as applicable), and determines consultation requirements.	





3		Cost Recovery Agreement (CRA), Pre-NEPA Project Kick-Off Meeting and Baseline Needs Assessment	
Pre-NEPA		For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA
1-2 months	3.1	AO notifies proponent there is sufficient information in their draft APP/POO/POD to conduct the Pre-NEPA kick-off meeting, complete the CRA (as appropriate), and BNAF.	
	3.2	BLM NV creates EIS CRA (if applicable/as appropriate).	BLM NV creates EA CRA (if applicable/as appropriate)
	3.3	The PM will set up and facilitate the pre-NEPA project kick-off meeting to identify baseline requirements. <b>The meeting will occur within 90 days of 3.1</b> and include the following:	
	3.3.1	An invitation sent least 4 weeks prior to the baseline kick-off mtg to the proponent, Pre-NEPA contractor(s), USFWS, and affected federal, state, county, municipal and tribal government representatives and all IDT members.	
	3.3.2	Introductions and a meeting sign-in sheet for in person meetings. For virtual meetings, the PM or note taker will record the names of attendees.	
	3.3.3	Project Roles Sheet identifying the role and responsibility of each meeting participant.	
	3.3.4	A project presentation by the proponent.	
	3.3.5	A discussion on proposed and listed species in the project area with participation from USFWS along with any interested federal, state, local and tribal governments.	
	3.3.6	Review of the BNAF, BLM Supplemental Authorities and Other Resources Tables (BLM NEPA Handbook, Appendix 1) to identify resource issues or concerns to be analyzed in the NEPA document.	
	3.3.7	Identification/drafting of potential cumulative effects study areas (CESA) as practicable at this stage.	
	3.3.8	A baseline needs discussion facilitated by the PM with <u>full IDT participation</u> . The Baseline Data Needs Assessment Form (BNAF) will be used (see Attachment 9).	
	3.3.9	Baseline needs and data collection, work plans, and survey protocols are identified and recorded. PMs may wish to collect much of this information in advance (as practical) in order to facilitate the meeting.	
	3.3.10	A preliminary discussion of timelines and schedules for all phases of the project.	
	3.3.11	Discuss the preliminary IDT call schedule (regularly scheduled meetings between BLM, NEPA contractor, cooperating agencies, tribal representatives, and proponent).	
3.4	The completed BNAF is routed to the AO for review and concurrence, then sent to the project proponent.		
3.5	After receiving the BNAF, the project proponent must provide BLM with a <i>detailed</i> project schedule for completing all baseline requirements (preferably within 90 days) before proceeding to work package #4.		



	4	Project Inducted into the Field Office (FO), District Office (DO) or NV State Office (NVSO) POW	
	Pre-NEPA	For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA
Depends on work packages 1-3	4.1	A project is placed in the BLM NV Program of Work (POW) based upon when baseline studies, SERs and SIR are scheduled for completion. The AO will notify the project proponent when their project is inducted into the POW.	
	Note 1	A project may need to wait up to a year or more depending upon workflow priorities, staff resources, and when baseline studies, SERs and SIR for the project are scheduled for completion.	
	Note 2	If the schedule for completing baseline studies is delayed, this will result in a delay in placing the project in the POW and the start of NEPA, or if already inducted, will delay the schedule.	
	Note 3	BLM NV may, at the discretion of the AO (as informed by workload priorities and resources) pause work on the project if the proponent delays the project by 30 days or more, after which the project must be re-inducted into the POW when practicable and at the discretion of the AO.	





5		Hiring of Contractors and MOUs	
Pre-NEPA	For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA	
5.1	Proponent hires/funds Pre-NEPA Contractor(s) to draft APP/POO/POD and/or baseline studies - if not already done.		
5.2	Proponents may independently hire and fund a Baseline Review contractor <i>to work for the BLM</i> to peer review and comment on baseline studies prior to formally submitting them to BLM. Hiring of a Baseline Review Contractor requires approval from the AO. If approved, BLM can provide a Statement of Work (SOW).		
5.2.1	If a Baseline Review Contractor is hired, then BLM NV, proponent, and Baseline Review Contractor will enter into a project MOU (3rd party MOU).		
Note 1	<i>The Baseline Review Contractor must be completely separate and independent from the contractors who conducted the baseline studies.</i>		
5.3	Proponent selection and hiring of a NEPA Contractor (to draft SERs, SIR, and eventually, NEPA documents) through the following process:		
2-4 months	5.3.1	Proponent writes Request for Proposal (RFP) based on BLM NV's project specific requirements, and advertises for proposals. BLM NV reviews RFP to <i>qualified</i> NEPA contractors.	Proponent hires and funds NEPA contractor <i>to work for BLM NV</i> (per the 3rd Party MOU) through their own process - OR may go through the same process as described for EISs.
	5.3.2	BLM NV convenes technical proposal evaluation committee (TPEC) to review contractor technical proposals.	
	5.3.3	BLM NV will review proposals and provide a recommendation to the proponent.	
	5.3.4	The Proponent will select a Contractor from the list of NEPA Contractor recommendations <i>to work for BLM NV</i> (per the 3rd Party MOU) and funded by the proponent, for the purpose of drafting SERs and SIR, and eventually the DEIS and FEIS.	
5.4	BLM NV, proponent, and NEPA contractor enter into project MOU (3rd party MOU) .		
5.5	The NEPA Contractor may also serve as the Baseline Review Contractor, or the proponent may hire a different Baseline Review Contractor with input from BLM NV. <i>The Pre-NEPA Contractor may not serve as the Baseline Review Contractor under any circumstances, even if also serving as the NEPA Contractor.</i>		



		6 Conduct Baseline Studies				
		Pre-NEPA				
Up to 1 year or longer		For Anticipated EIS		For Anticipated EA		
		6.1	Proponent's Pre-NEPA Contractor (independently hired and funded by the proponent) conducts baseline studies per BLM NV and applicable Local, State, and Federal standards.			
		6.2	BLM NV reviews baseline studies including cultural reports - BLM NV will notify the proponent of approval/acceptance - or advise how to correct.			
		6.2.1	If hired, the Baseline Review Contractor would review and comment on the baseline studies, and advise the proponent on how to correct them as needed. The Baseline Review Contractor then submits the completed baseline studies directly to BLM NV. The Baseline Review Contractor could also assist with coordinating Steps 6.3 through 6.6 below in coordination with BLM NV.			
		Note 1	BLM NV resource specialists must conduct a final review and sign off on the baseline studies. The Baseline Review Contractor cannot do this. Close coordination between the BLM NV resource specialists and the Baseline Review Contractor is required.			
		6.3	Cultural reports go to Tribes for review (no time limit)			
		6.4	Cultural reports go to SHPO for review (Section 106 process) (30 days)			
		6.5	Cooperators from Kick-Off meeting review baseline studies as desired (15 days)			
6.6	Comments on baseline studies and cultural reports from Tribes, SHPO and Cooperators are reconciled.					



7		NEPA Contractor and Cooperating Agency MOUs Completed	
Pre-NEPA		For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA
2-3 months	7.1	Initiate Cooperating Agency (CA) and Tribal Consultation Processes	CA process optional / Tribal consultation required
	7.2	Coordination with the Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team (SETT) if project is in or within 6km of Greater Sage-Grouse habitat.	
	7.2.1	Proponents are responsible for coordinating with the SETT	
	7.2.2	BLM NV roles with the SETT and Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) are outlined in the MOU.	
	7.3	BLM NV hosts pre-NEPA Coordination meeting with Proponent, State/Local, Tribal Government Representatives, and NEPA Contractor.	Depends on the project.
	7.4	BLM NV enters into formal Cooperating Agency (CA) agreements/MOUs signed.	Optional
	7.5	NEPA Contractor submits schedule to BLM NV for completion of drafting SIR/SERs.	
	Note 1	The schedule helps determine when to initiate WP #8 and #9.	
	Note 2	If the schedule for completing the SIR/SERs is delayed, this will also delay the schedule for competing the Initial Action Notice (IAN) and Notice of Intent (NOI) and the start of NEPA.	
	7.6	When baseline studies are complete and accepted by BLM, then: - Development of the SIR/SERs may begin. - BLM and USFWS may enter into a formal agreement on the species that will be consulted upon.	



		8 Development/Submission of the <i>Final APP/POO/POD</i> - Conduct Initial Action Notice (IAN) Briefing to HQ	
		Pre-NEPA	
		For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA
7-12 months	8.1	The proponent is responsible for developing a <i>final APP/POO/POD</i> for the project. However, BLM NV IDT members may provide input during the development of these products.	
	8.1.1	For mining projects, BLM NV will give the proponent a copy of the Plan of Operations – Completeness Review form (3809 Handbook H-3809-1, Figure 4.2-2) for compiling their Plan.	
	8.1.2	For realty actions, BLM NV will provide a completeness form/checklist.	
	8.1.3	For applications like SRPs, O&G, Geothermal, etc., BLM NV will provide a completeness form/checklist.	
	Note 1	<i>While BLM NV encourages proponents to submit a final APP/POO/POD <u>after</u> all baseline studies and SIR/SERs are complete, doing so is voluntary. BLM NV cannot require proponents to delay submitting a final APP/POO/POD. However, <u>BLM NV will not initiate the NEPA process until all baseline studies, SIR/SERs are complete and accepted by BLM NV, and the APP/POO/POD perfected pursuant to applicable regulations.</u></i>	
	8.2	Inform State Office Planning and NEPA staff if the project includes a project-level RMP level Amendment.	
	8.3	AO or designee conducts Initial Action Notice (IAN) brief with HQ (coordinate through NV-910 Resource Advisor) <i>at least 45 days before the Notice of Intent (NOI) publication in the Federal Register.</i>	Required for RMP amendments only.
	8.4	NEPA Contractor drafts SIR/SERs for BLM NV DO/FO/NVSO and CA/Tribes review.	
	8.4.1	NEPA Contractor initiates SERs.	
	8.4.2	NEPA Contractor completes SIR/SERs.	
	8.4.3	Coordinate with USFWS on drafting BA.	
8.4.4	BLM NEV reviews and accepts SIR/SERs.		
Note 1	SIR/SERs may require revisions during the NEPA process.		



9		BLM NV Acceptance of Final APP/POO/POD, Determination of Level of NEPA, and Notice of Intent (NOI) Publication (Start of NEPA)	
Pre-NEPA	For Anticipated EIS	For Anticipated EA	
9.1	Submit/route NOI to Federal Register via NVSO Resource Advisor (RA) Refer to NV IM 2024-20.	Required for RMP amendments only.	
9.2	Conduct NOI briefings with State Director and HQ-100 (via NVSO RA - Refer to NV IM 2024-20)	Required for RMP amendments only.	
9.3	Coordinate environmental justice (EJ) outreach with NEPA contractor (letters with QR codes and link to ePlanning) through the BLM NV Great Basin Zone Socio-economic Specialist.		
9.4	Proponent finalizes the APP/POO/POD about 90 days prior the planned NOI publication (assuming all pre-NEPA work is complete).		
2-3 months	9.5	BLM NV will notify the proponent when their APP/POO/POD is complete, as well as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. BLM NV's determination of the level of NEPA required for the project,</li> <li>ii. BLM NV's acknowledgement that the NEPA clock has started.</li> </ul> <i>For EAs - the start of public participation can also start the NEPA clock.</i>	
Note 1	By law, notification of a <i>complete Right of Way (ROW)</i> application and associated POD starts the NEPA clock, but notification of complete APP for other types of projects or POO does NOT start the NEPA clock. BLM must be very specific in their communication with proponents to avoid unintentionally starting the NEPA clock prematurely.		
9.6 NEPA Timeline Starts	<b><i>The date of notification (Step 9.5) will match the date of publication of the NOI to synchronize the start of NEPA. Otherwise, the earlier of the two (notification in Step 9.5 or the NOI) starts the NEPA clock.</i></b>		The date of the notification (Step 9.5) starts the NEPA clock. In the case of public participation, the date of notification will also match the date of public participation to synchronize the start of NEPA. <i>Otherwise, the earlier of the two starts NEPA.</i>



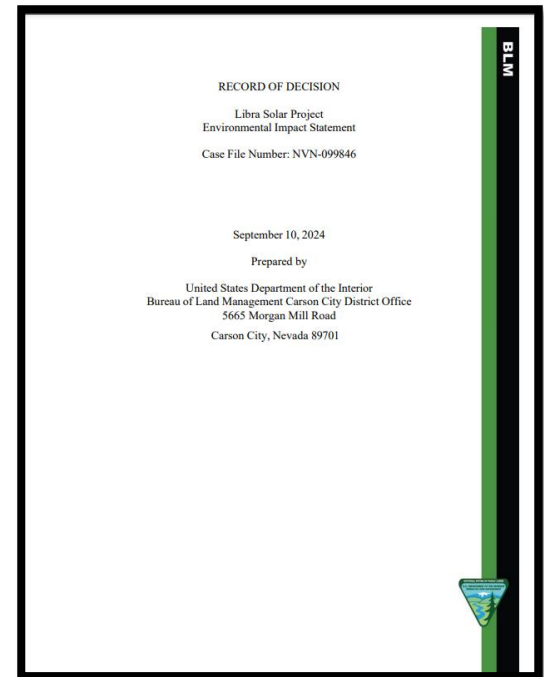
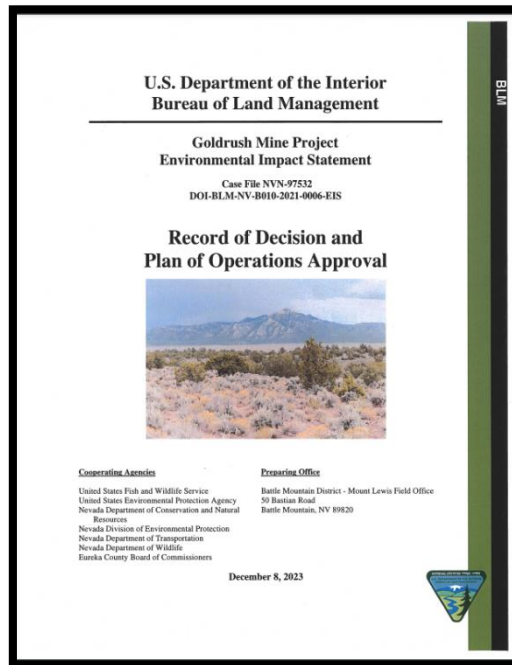
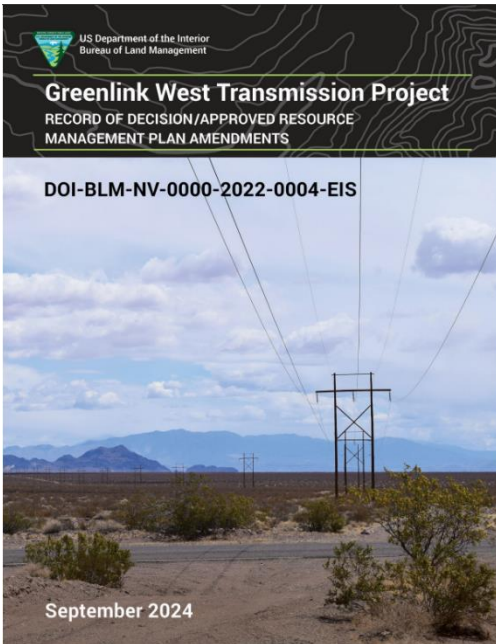
		10 Complete Draft EIS to Publication of Notice of Availability (NOA) in Federal Register (FRN)/Complete Draft EA	
		FOR EIS	FOR EA
5-7 months	10.1	NEPA contractor creates Executive Summary (summarizes SERs, anticipated impacts, describes the APP/POD/POO in roughly 35 pages) for public scoping.	Public scoping is optional
	10.2	BLM initiates and completes 30+ day public scoping for Draft EIS	Public scoping is optional (30+ days)
	10.3	IDT reviews the draft document (EIS)	IDT reviews the draft document (EA)
	10.4	CA review completed.	If applicable
	10.5	NEPA Contractor revises Preliminary Draft EIS, based on BLM NV & CA comments, modifies SERs/SIR (if needed). Document (not including appendices) limited to 150 pages (300 pages if complex).	NEPA Contractor revises preliminary EA based on BLM NV & CA comments, modifies SIR/SERs (if needed), EA (not including appendices) limited to 75 pages.
	10.6	NVSO Review of Preliminary DEIS (2 weeks)	Required for RMP amendments only. Upon request by DM for all others.
	10.7	Preliminary Draft EIS provided to Regional Solicitor for review (2 weeks)	Optional
	10.8	HQ review of RMP amendment (2 weeks)	Required for RMP amendments only - HQ review of RMP amendment (2 weeks)
	10.9	Conduct Draft EIS NOA Briefing to the State Director (via NVSO RA - Refer to NV IM 2024-20)	If desired by State Director
	10.10	Conduct Draft EIS NOA briefing to Headquarters/ Department (via NVSO RA - Refer to NV IM 2024-20)	NA
	10.11	Upload DEIS into EPA website for concurrent release with NOA.	NA
	10.12	Publish Draft EIS NOA in Federal Register (coordinate with NVSO RA regarding publication date).	Upload of Preliminary EA (and other documents) into ePlanning initiates public comment period (typically 30 days) - and 90 days for RMP amendments.



11 Complete and Publish Final EIS / Final EA, Decision Record (DR) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)			
NEPA	FOR EIS	FOR EA	
4-5 months	11.1	Publication of DEIS NOA initiates public comment period of 45 or more days, and 90 days for RMP amendments	Upload of Preliminary EA, unsigned FONSI, and other documents (as appropriate) into ePlanning initiates public comment period (typically 30 days) - and 90 days for RMP amendments.
	11.2	<b>Receipt of USFWS BO</b> - BLM incorporates into the Preliminary FEIS and Preliminary Final EA the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reasonable and prudent measures</li> <li>- Mandatory terms and conditions</li> <li>- Referencing an incidental take statement (as applicable).</li> </ul>	
	11.3	NEPA contractor consolidates comments, addresses comments and revises EIS, as appropriate.	NEPA contractor consolidates comments, addresses comments and revises EA, as appropriate.
	11.4	Cooperating Agency Review of preliminary FEIS and ROD	Optional
	11.5	Provide Preliminary FEIS and Draft ROD to NVSO for review.	Required for RMP amendments only. Upon request by District Manager (DM) for all others.
	11.6	Provide Preliminary FEIS/Draft ROD to Regional Solicitor (SOL) for review.	Provide Preliminary Final EA, Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Draft Decision Record (DR) to Regional Solicitor (SOL) for review.
	11.7	NEPA contractor provides final version of FEIS with CA, NVSO, and SOL comments addressed.	NEPA Contractor provides final version of EA with CA, NVSO (if applicable), and SOL (if applicable) comments addressed.
	11.8	Conduct FEIS NOA briefings with the State Director and Headquarters/Department (via NVSO RA - Refer to NV IM 2024-20).	Briefings required for RMP amendments only. Upon request by DM for all others.
	11.9	Upload FEIS into EPA website for concurrent release with NOA.	NA
	11.10 NEPA Timeline Ends	Publish FEIS NOA in Federal Register for 30 day public review period. Finalize ROD and authorization decisions.	Upload final EA, signed FONSI, & Decision Record (if applicable) and any revised SERs/SIR to ePlanning. RMP Amendments may require a SD/HQ briefing. <i>This completes the process for EA level NEPA.</i>



Up to 6 months	12	Publication of the Record of Decision (ROD)
	NEPA	FOR EIS only
	12.1	NOAs are only issued for RODs with effects of national concern.
	12.2	For RMP amendments, 30 day protest period and 60 day NV State Governor's consistency review.
	12.2.1	RMP amendment protests go through a separate protest resolution process at HQ - minimum 45 days after protest period ends.
	12.3	If requested by State Director, conduct NVSO & HQ Briefings for Record of Decision (ROD) via NVSO RA.
	12.4	Issue signed ROD on ePlanning (day 31).
12.5	Issue regulatory decision documents.	





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# Questions/Discussion

