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Environmental Protection Act 1986 Part V

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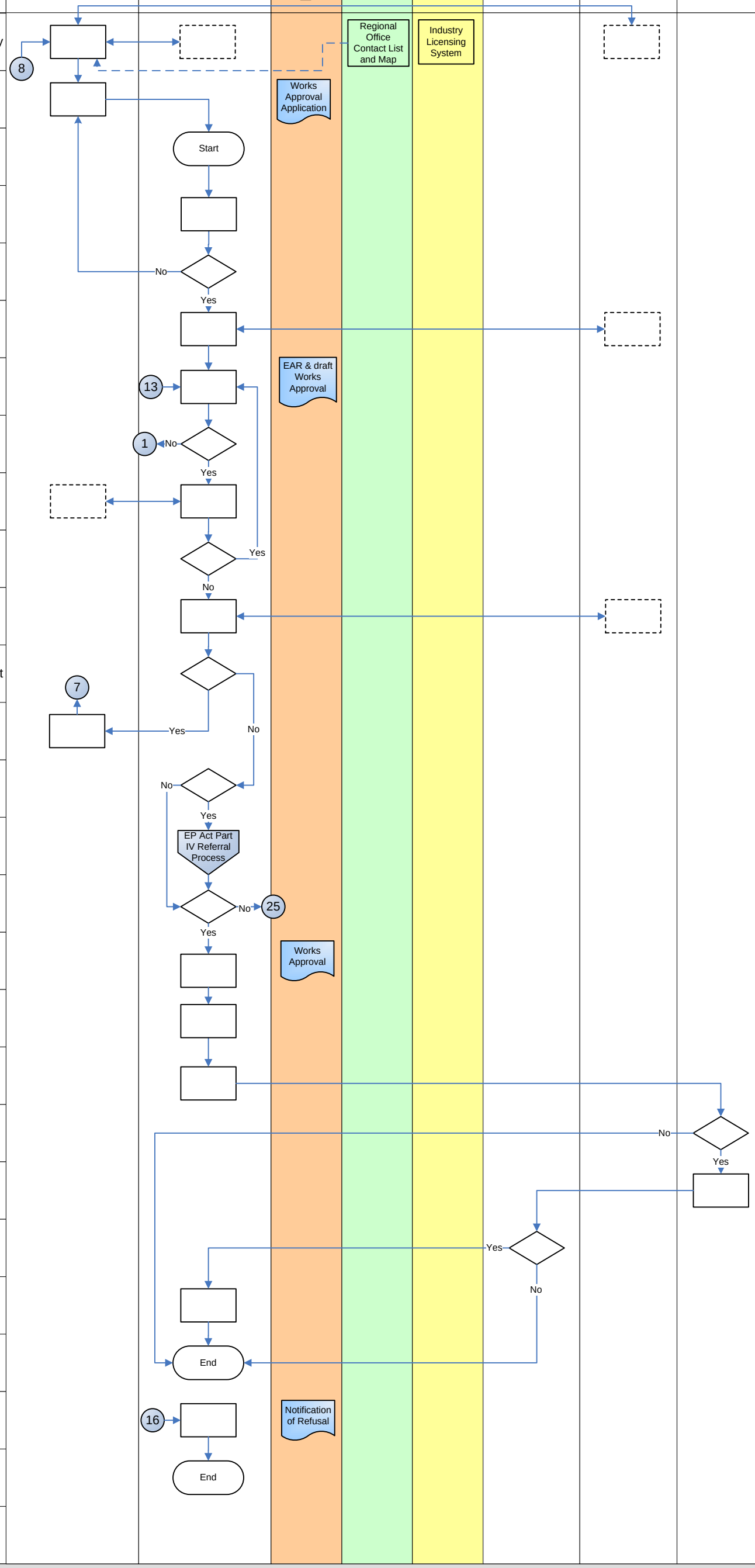
Environmental Protection (EP) Act Part V Works Approval

Indicative Timing: ± 2 weeks; ± 10 weeks

Applicant/ Proponent | Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) | Key Documents | Document Templates/ Guidelines | Supporting Technology | Minister for the Environment | Stakeholders | Appeals Convenor

1. Proponent consults with DEC regional office on project scope & key issues, undertakes community consultation.
2. Proponent prepares and submits works approval application.
3. Part V Works Approval process commences
4. DEC screens application.
5. Is there sufficient information in the application to allow it to be accepted for assessment? If no, decline to deal with.
6. DEC advertises and invites public comment.
7. DEC prepares Environmental Assessment Report (EAR) and draft Works Approval and conducts internal Peer Review.
8. Is EAR and Works Approval consistent with policies and guidelines? If No go to 1.
9. Proposal deemed acceptable by DEC. DEC issues EAR and draft Works Approval to Proponent for comment.
10. Is change to the project required or significant change to the EAR and conditions set required after review by Proponent?
11. DEC issues EAR and draft Works Approval to other stakeholders for comment.
12. Is change to project required after review by stakeholders? If yes, DEC resubmits to Proponent for consideration.
13. Proponent modifies and resubmits. Go to 7.
14. Is Part IV referral process under way?
15. Await completion of Part IV referral process.
16. Grant Works Approval? If no go to 25.
17. DEC ensures Works Approval conditions are consistent with Ministerial Statement issued under Part IV.
18. DEC grants Works Approval.
19. DEC advertises Grant of Works Approval and notifies Proponent (Proponent and stakeholders may appeal specifications).
20. Appeals lodged on specifications?
21. Appeals Convenor considers appeals and reports to Minister.
22. Minister upholds appeals on specifications?
23. CEO implements Minister's direction and if necessary amends Works Approval.
24. Appeals on specifications finalised.
25. Refuse Works Approval and send Proponent a notification stating 'Not Granted'.
26. End – Works Approval refused (Proponent may appeal).