MMRA & MEPA Process

Applicant Submits to DEQ:
Application Form, Map(s),
Environmental Baseline Info, Plan of
Operations/Reclamation with
Detailed Appendices

DEQ has 90 Days to:
Determine Completeness and Compliance

If Application is Deficient

First Deficiency Letter
Sent To Applicant
DEQ Receives
Applicant's Response
DEQ Has 30 Days to
Review Response

If Response is Found Deficient

2nd Deficiency Letter Sent to
Applicant
DEQ Receives Applicant’s
Response to 2nd Letter
DEQ has 30 Days to Review
Response
Cycle Continues Until Application
is Complete or Withdrawn

Application is Complete
and Compliant

Draft Permit Issued
EA Process Begins
EIS Process Begins

Publish Draft EIS
Public Comment Period
DEQ Responds to Public Comment
and Publishes Final EIS
DEQ Approves the Application as
Submitted, Approves the Application with
Modifications, or Denies the Application
DEQ Calculates Bond
Applicant Submits Bond
DEQ Reviews & Approves Bond
Permit is Signed & Issued