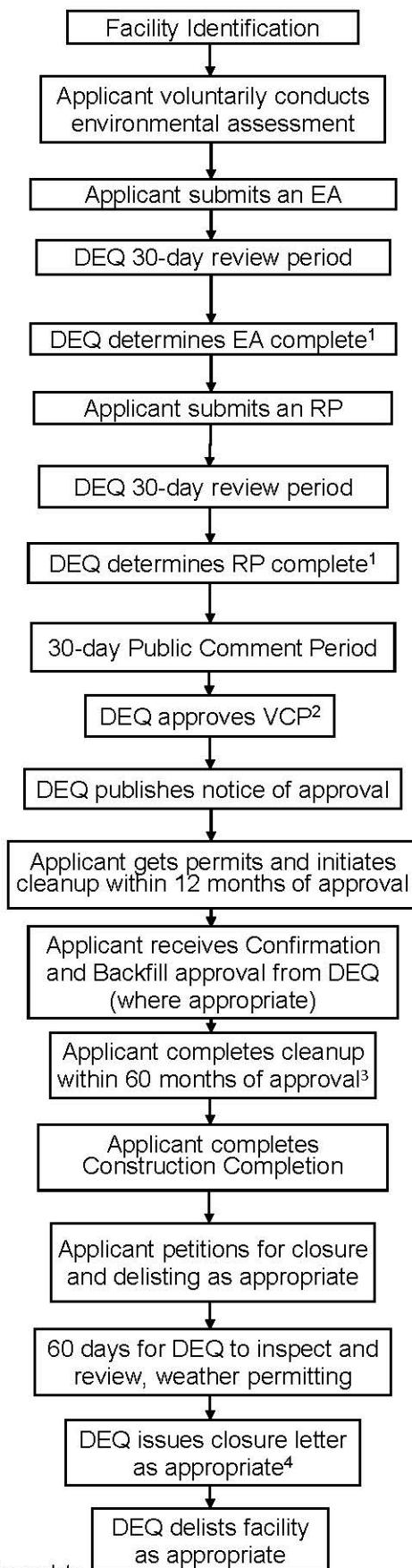


FIGURE 1
THE VOLUNTARY CLEANUP AND REDEVELOPMENT ACT (VCRA) PROCESS



VCP = Voluntary Cleanup Plan (a complete EA & RP)

DEQ = Montana Department of Environmental Quality

EA = Environmental Assessment

RP = Remediation Proposal

¹ A VCP may require more than one revision to be deemed complete.

² DEQ may require changes based on public comment prior to approval or may not approve the VCP.

³ Within 120 months of approval for groundwater cleanup.

⁴ Applicants are required to pay the State's remedial action costs before DEQ will issue a closure letter.