NEPA Process and Public Participation Components

**Process Milestones**

- January 2010: Notice of Intent
  - Notice of Intent published in the Federal Register: January 6, 2010

- Spring/Summer 2010: Public Scoping
  - Public scoping period: January 6 - February 28, 2010
  - Public scoping solicited through the NOI, letters, e-mails, and public meetings in Las Vegas, Henderson, Mesquite, Pahrump, Beatty, Laughlin, and Overton, NV
  - BLM invites the participation of cooperating agencies

- Spring 2011: Identify Planning Issues and Criteria / Analysis of the Management Situation

- Summer/Fall 2010: Alternatives Formulation
  - Develop a range of reasonable management alternatives

- Winter 2010: Alternatives Assessment
  - Analyze environmental impact of alternatives

- Spring 2011: Draft RMP/EIS
  - Publish a Notice of Availability in the Federal Register
  - Draft RMP/EIS released for 90-day public comment period
  - Circulate and publicize availability of Draft RMP/EIS
  - Request public comments
  - Conduct public meetings

- Summer/Fall 2011: Read, Analyze, and Respond to Public Comments

- Fall/Winter 2011: Proposed RMP/Final EIS
  - Publish a Notice of Availability in the Federal Register
  - Proposed RMP/Final EIS released for a 30-day public comment period
  - 60-day concurrent Governor’s consistency review

- Winter 2011: Read and Legally Address Protests

- Spring 2012: Record of Decision (ROD)