

# CEDAR RIDGE I EXPLORATION PROJECT

Scoping Meeting for Environmental Assessment

BLM Elko District  
August 20, 2014



# ABOUT THE MEETING

## Why are we here?

- BLM is preparing an Environmental Assessment and needs your input.

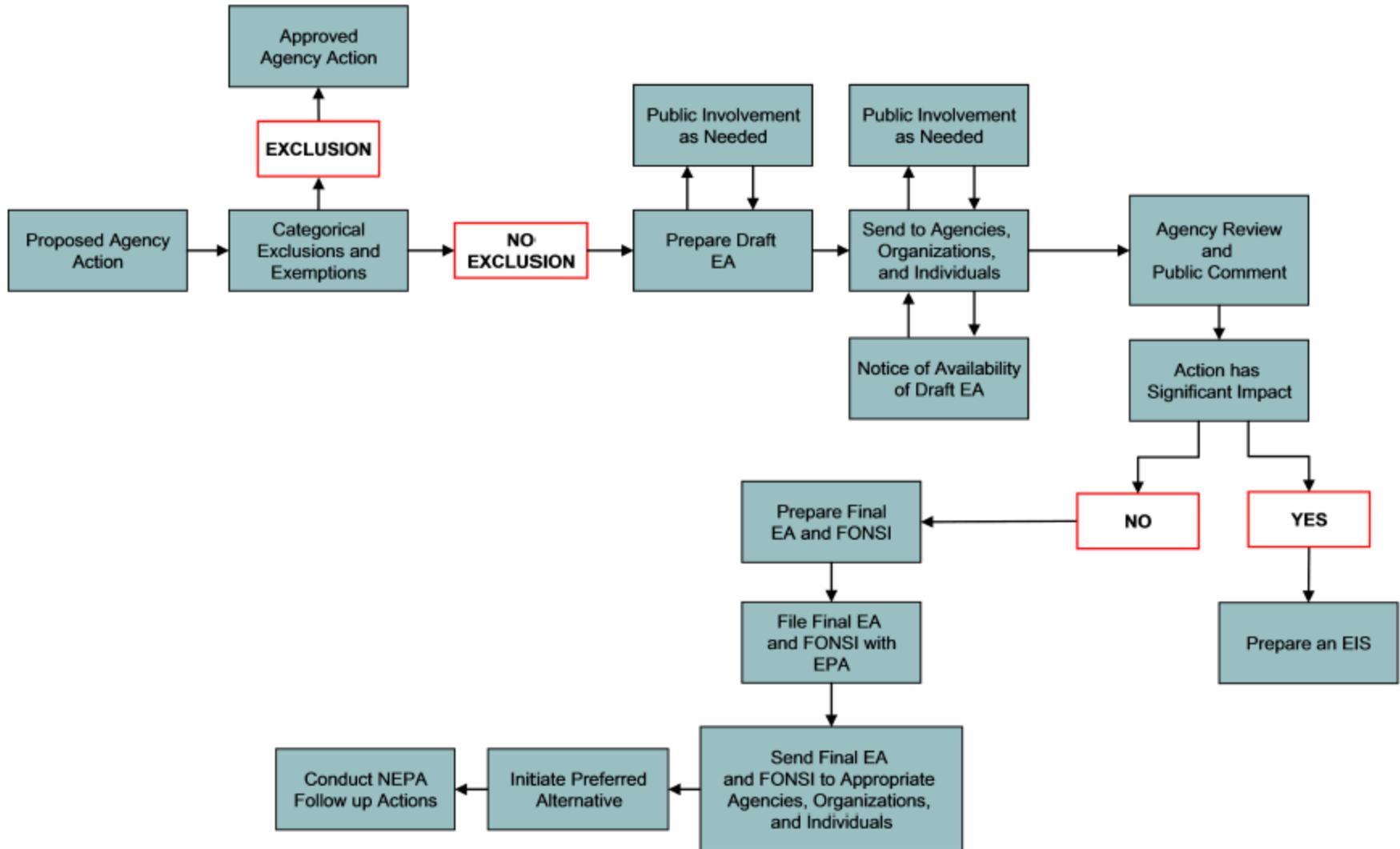
## Meeting Format

- Open-House with Presentations
- BLM Specialists Available for Discussion

# OVERVIEW OF NEPA & EA PROCESS

- What is NEPA?
- What is an Environmental Assessment (EA)?
- Resource Areas to be Analyzed in EA:
  - Air Quality & Climate Change
  - Geology & Minerals
  - Soils
  - Hydrology & Water Resources
  - Vegetation & Weeds
  - Public Health & Safety
  - Recreation
  - Visual Resources
  - Cultural Resources
  - Socioeconomics
  - Biological Resources
  - Environmental Justice
  - Transportation
  - Rangeland Mgt.
  - Hazardous Waste & Waste Mgt.
  - Wilderness
  - Fire Mgt.
  - Realty
  - Noise

## Environmental Assessment Process Flowchart



# SCOPING

- What is “scoping”?
- Purpose of “scoping” is to obtain public input.
- Comments inform the issues and alternatives to be analyzed in the EA.
- Scoping was initiated on August 11<sup>th</sup> with BLM’s release of the public notice. Concludes September 5, 2014.

# HOW TO SUBMIT A COMMENT

- Written comments may be submitted by:
  - Hand in a completed comment form at tonight's meeting. Writing stations available.
  - Email comment to: [CedarRidge1oilwell@blm.gov](mailto:CedarRidge1oilwell@blm.gov)
  - Mail the comment form or a letter to the following address:

Mr. Tom Schmidt  
BLM Elko District  
3900 E. Idaho Street  
Elko, NV 89801

- Comment period concludes **September 5, 2014.**



**EXISTING ACCESS ROAD**



**ACCESS ROAD TO BE IMPROVED**



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