

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
OWYHEE FIELD OFFICE
AND THE
IDAHO GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES
AND THE
IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS
AND THE
IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF THE
DELAMAR MINE PROJECT
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT ANALYSIS**

I. Introduction

The U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has determined that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required for the DeLamar Mine Project proposed by Integra Resources Corp. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to establish a cooperating agency relationship between the Bureau of Land Management's Owyhee Field Office (BLM), the Idaho Governor's Office of Energy and Mineral Resources (OEMR), Idaho Department of Lands (IDL), and Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) hereafter "the Parties," for the purpose of preparing the DeLamar Mine Project National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Analysis Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The BLM is the lead federal agency for development of the NEPA analysis and documentation. BLM acknowledges that the OEMR, IDL, and IDEQ have jurisdiction by law or special expertise applicable to the NEPA analysis effort, as defined at Section 111(2) of the NEPA, as amended (42 USC 4336e). This MOU describes responsibilities and procedures agreed to by OEMR, IDL, and IDEQ as Cooperating Agencies (also referred to as Cooperators) and the BLM ("the Parties").

The cooperating agency relationship established through this MOU shall be governed by all applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, including the Department of the Interior NEPA regulations (43 CFR Part 46), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 2 and 516 DM 11).

II. Purpose

The purposes of this MOU are:

- A. To designate OEMR, IDL, and IDEQ as Cooperating Agencies in the NEPA process.
- B. To provide a framework for cooperation and coordination between the Parties to complete the NEPA process in a timely, efficient, and thorough manner.
- C. To recognize that the BLM is the lead agency with responsibility for the completion of the NEPA documents and the Record of Decision (ROD).
- D. To recognize and provide guidance for the development of a mutually respectful and effective Cooperating Agency relationship between the Parties which reflects their unique working relationship as it relates to the tasks at hand.
- E. To describe the respective responsibilities, jurisdictional authority, and expertise of each of the Parties in the planning process.

III. Background

This MOU provides a framework for the Parties to cooperate and efficiently conduct NEPA analysis for a Plan of Operation (Plan) to construct, operate, reclaim, and close a silver and gold mine in the Owyhee mountains of SW Idaho on BLM-managed lands within the Owyhee Field Office. The proposal also includes State and private lands. The Plan describes, but is not limited to, redevelopment of past mining operations, including proposing new areas of disturbance, ore processing, heap leach pad, ancillary routes and facilities. The processing of the Plan is termed "the Project." The EIS and NEPA project record will be prepared by the third-party contractor and its subcontractors (Contractor) as directed by the BLM.

IV. Authorities for the MOU

- A. The authorities of the BLM to enter into and engage in the activities described within this MOU include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).
 - 2. Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).
- B. The authorities of the OEMR, IDL, and IDEQ to enter into this MOU include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).
 - 2. Executive Order 2024-09, Continuing the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources.
 - 3. Idaho's Environmental Protection and Health Act (EPHA) (Idaho Code §39-101 et. seq.)
 - 4. Idaho Mined Land Reclamation Act (I.C. 47-1501 et. seq.)

- C. Authorities not altered. Nothing in this MOU alters, limits, or supersedes the authorities and responsibilities of any Party or any state entity on any matter within its respective jurisdiction. Nothing in this MOU shall require any of the Parties to perform beyond its respective authority. OEMR's participation shall not alter any existing responsibilities, jurisdiction, or planning functions of state agencies established by state law and does not imply any regulatory authority by OEMR over activities that are subject to the jurisdiction of another state agency.

V. **Roles and Responsibilities**

A. BLM Responsibilities:

- 1. As lead agency, the BLM retains final responsibility for the content of all NEPA documents. The BLM's responsibilities include determining the purpose of and need for the proposed action, selecting alternatives for analysis, identifying effects of the proposed alternatives, selecting the preferred alternative, and determining appropriate mitigation measures. In meeting these responsibilities, the BLM will follow all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements; and will meaningfully involve the Cooperators throughout the entire NEPA process, including but not limited to: development of the alternatives, identification of effects, selection of the preferred alternative, determination of appropriate mitigation measures, review of public comments, and development of the decision document.
- 2. To the fullest extent consistent with its responsibilities as lead agency, the BLM will consider the comments, recommendations, data, and/or analyses provided by the Cooperators in the NEPA process, giving particular consideration to those topics on which the Cooperators are acknowledged to possess jurisdiction by law or special expertise.
- 3. To the fullest extent practicable, after consideration of the effect such releases may have on the BLM's ability to withhold this information from other parties, the BLM will provide the Cooperators with copies of documents underlying the NEPA analysis relevant to the Cooperator's responsibilities, including technical reports, data, analyses, comments received, working drafts related to environmental reviews, and NEPA documents.

B. Cooperating Agency Responsibilities:

- 1. OEMR is recognized to have jurisdiction by law or special expertise in the following areas:
 - a. Executive Order 2024-09, Continuing the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources.

2. OEMR will coordinate comments and may provide information, comments, and technical expertise to the BLM regarding those elements of the NEPA documents, and the data and analyses supporting them, in which it has jurisdiction or special expertise or for which the BLM requests its assistance. Idaho agencies that OEMR may coordinate comments for include, but may not be limited to, Idaho State Department of Agriculture, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Idaho State Historic Preservation Office, Idaho Department of Lands (IDL), Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, Idaho Department of Water Resources, Idaho Water Resource Board, the Idaho Governor's Office of Species Conservation, and the Idaho Department of Commerce. OEMR will coordinate with such agencies with respect to this MOU, but nothing herein alters the roles, duties, and authorities of such agencies. OEMR's duties, responsibilities, and authority do not alter any existing authorities of state agencies established by law, such as IDL and IDEQ.
3. IDL is recognized to have jurisdiction by law or special expertise in the following areas:
 - a. IDL has special expertise in surface mining, cyanidation facility closure, reclamation, and the protection of public health, safety, and welfare.
 - b. IDL's role in the Project as an Idaho agency is to regulate mining and reclamation on all land in the state, regardless of ownership, under Idaho Code 47-1501, *et seq.* and the Rules Governing Mined Land Reclamation (IDAPA 20.03.02). IDL also manages state endowment-owned surface and mineral estates under Idaho Code 58-301, *et seq.* and Idaho Code 47-701 *et seq.* Idaho Code 47-708 provides protections for the surface owner on split estate land. Consequently, IDL is responsible for determining the appropriate level of reclamation, regardless of surface and mineral ownership, and would administer its authority by issuing a Reclamation Plan Approval and a Permanent Closure Plan Approval. Additionally, any bond required under Idaho Code 47-1512 is payable to the State of Idaho and IDL will hold a reclamation bond or bonds related to mining operations within its jurisdiction.
4. IDL's role in the Project as a Cooperating Agency for the EIS includes:
 - a. assisting the BLM and Contractor in obtaining necessary information, reviewing relevant plans of study and baseline data reports, developing issue statements and alternatives for analysis, preparing supporting documents for the EIS, and reviewing the DEIS and FEIS. IDL will provide comments relevant to their statutory and regulatory authorities on material submitted for review within the timeframes specified in

- Exhibit C. IDL will notify the BLM of any potential Project delays foreseen by IDL;
- b. promptly providing the BLM with copies of any public comments that might be received by IDL regarding the EIS that might require an official response from the BLM. IDL will promptly provide the BLM with copies of all IDL correspondence regarding the EIS, as appropriate; and
 - c. assisting the BLM and/or Contractor with the preparation of responses to public comments regarding the DEIS where IDL has jurisdiction by law or special expertise. IDL may communicate directly with the Contractor as approved by the BLM.
5. IDEQ is recognized to have jurisdiction by law or special expertise in the following areas:
- a. IDEQ has special expertise in ground and surface water quality, cyanidation operations and permitting, hazardous waste management, solid waste management, and air quality. EPHA (Idaho Code §39- 101 et. seq.) provides IDEQ the authority in ensuring clean air, water, and soil, and reducing or eliminating environmental pollution arising from human activities.
 - b. IDEQ's role in the Project as an Idaho agency is to have primary responsibility in regulating ground and surface water quality, cyanidation operations, hazardous waste management, solid waste management, and air quality.
 - i. Groundwater quality: IDEQ regulates groundwater quality by implementing the Idaho Ground Water Quality Rule (IDAPA 58.01.11) under the authority of the Idaho Environmental Protection and Health Act (EPHA) (Idaho Code 39-101 *et seq.*) and Groundwater Quality Rule (Idaho Code 30-120 *et seq.*). IDEQ would administer its authority by setting Points of Compliance around the mining area, which outline monitoring, sampling, and reporting requirements that meet groundwater quality standards.
 - ii. Surface water quality: IDEQ regulates surface water quality by implementing the Idaho Water Quality Standards (IDAPA 58.01.02) and the Idaho Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program (IPDES) (IDAPA 58.01.25) under the authority of the EPHA and state water quality statutes (Idaho Code 39-3601 *et seq.*), which allows the state to implement portions of the Clean Water Act (CWA). IDEQ would administer its authority by issuing IPDES Permits and CWA section 401 Water Quality Certifications.
 - iii. Cyanidation operations: IDEQ regulates operations that process ore using cyanide as a primary leaching agent by implementing the Rules for Ore Processing by Cyanidation (IDAPA 58.01.13), Idaho Code 39-118A, and under the authority of the

- EPHA. IDEQ would administer its authority by issuing a Cyanidation Permit.
- iv. Hazardous waste management: IDEQ regulates the identification, storage, transportation, and disposal of hazardous waste by implementing the Rules and Standards for Hazardous Waste (IDAPA 58.01.05) under the authority of the Idaho Hazardous Waste Management Act (Idaho Code 39-4401 *et seq.*), which allows the state to implement portions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). IDEQ would administer its authority by issuing a Hazardous Waste Permit, if the Project necessitates such a permit.
 - v. Solid waste management: IDEQ regulates solid waste management by implementing the Solid Waste Management Rules (IDAPA 58.01.06) under the authority of the Idaho Solid Waste Facilities Act (Idaho Code 39-7401 *et seq.*), which allows the state to implement portions of the RCRA. If a landfill is proposed in the Plan, IDEQ would administer its authority by issuing approvals dependent on the type of landfill proposed.
 - vi. Air quality: IDEQ regulates air quality by implementing the Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho (IDAPA 58.01.01) under the authority of the EPHA, which allows the state to implement portions of the Clean Air Act. IDEQ would administer its authority by issuing Air Quality Permits.
- c. IDEQ's role in the Project as a Cooperating Agency for the EIS include:
- i. IDEQ will assist the BLM and Contractor in reviewing and commenting on relevant plans of study and baseline data reports, and reviewing the DEIS and FEIS. IDEQ will provide comments relevant to their statutory and regulatory authorities on material submitted for review within the timeframes specified in Exhibit C, subject to the availability of staff resources. IDEQ will notify the BLM of any potential Project delays foreseen by IDEQ, and BLM will afford IDEQ flexibility when needed for delivering comments on EIS-related submittals.
 - ii. IDEQ will assist the BLM and/or Contractor with the preparation of responses to public comments regarding the DEIS where IDEQ has jurisdiction by law or special expertise. IDEQ may communicate directly with the Contractor as approved by the BLM.
6. Within the areas of their jurisdiction or special expertise, the Cooperators may participate in any of the activities identified in Exhibit B. These activities include but are not limited to providing guidance on public involvement strategies, identifying data needs, formulating alternatives, identifying effects of alternatives, suggesting mitigation measures, providing technical assistance,

and providing written comments on working drafts of the NEPA and supporting documents. Nothing in this MOU shall be deemed to obligate DEQ or IDL to provide staffing or otherwise participate in these activities.

C. **Agreements of the Parties:**

1. The Parties agree to participate in this process in good faith and make all reasonable efforts to resolve disagreements. Where procedural or substantive disagreement may impede effective and timely completion of the NEPA analysis, the Parties agree to utilize the facilitation and conciliation procedures described below (Section XI.C). Participation as a Cooperating Agency does not negate the Cooperator's right to comment, protect, or administratively or judicially appeal the analysis or a decision nor does it diminish or restrict the Cooperator's ability to coordinate with the BLM under the authority of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1712(c)(9)).
2. The Parties agree to make their best effort to comply with the schedule provided as Exhibit C, which includes dates for milestones and timeframes for Cooperator's reviews and submissions in the NEPA analysis.
3. Each Party agrees to fund its own expenses associated with the NEPA process, except that the BLM may contract with a cooperator for technical studies within its jurisdiction or special expertise, as provided for in Section XI.D. The Parties may enter into cost recovery agreements with each other or outside organizations for reimbursement of their expenses, as agreed to and prepared under separate documents.
4. The Parties agree to carefully consider whether proposed meetings or other activities would waive the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act exception to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (2 U.S.C. 1534(b) and 5 U.S.C App.).

VI. Representatives

Each Party will designate representatives, as specified in Exhibit A, to ensure coordination between the Cooperators and the BLM during the planning process. Each Party may change its representative at will by providing written notice to the other Party.

VII. Funding

- A. This MOU shall not obligate any partner to expend funds or involve the agencies in any contract or other obligations for the payment of money.
- B. This MOU is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document. Any endeavor involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between the agencies to this MOU will be handled in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and procedures including those for Government procurement and printing. This MOU does not establish authority for noncompetitive awards to the Cooperators of any contract or

other agreement. Any contract or agreement for other services must fully comply with all applicable requirements for competition.

VIII. Records

Any records or documents generated as a result of this MOU shall become part of the official BLM record maintained in accordance with applicable BLM Records Management policies. Any request for release of records associated with the implementation of this MOU to anyone outside the Parties must be determined by BLM based on applicable laws, including the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act. If a document is exempt from disclosure under federal law, the BLM will identify the document as exempt and mark it with the appropriate exemption provision before circulating it to the cooperators. To the extent allowed by law, Parties agree not to release these materials to individuals or entities other than the Parties to this MOU and their contractors. This provision shall not limit any State of Idaho agencies' obligation to disclose records pursuant to all applicable law, including the Idaho Public Records Act, Idaho Code § 74-101 *et seq.*

IX. Compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations; Severability Clause

This MOU is subject to all applicable Federal laws, regulations, and rules, whether now in force or hereafter enacted or promulgated. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as in any way impairing the general powers of the BLM under such applicable laws, regulations, and rules. If any term or provision of this MOU is held to be invalid or illegal, such term or provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms and provisions. Meeting the terms of this MOU shall not excuse any failure to comply with all applicable laws and regulations, whether or not these laws and regulations are specifically listed herein.

X. Administration of the MOU Term, Amendments, and Termination

A. Term of MOU:

1. This MOU becomes effective upon the date last signed and executed by the duly authorized representative of the Parties to this MOU.
2. This MOU shall remain in effect for five (5) years from the execution date or until issuance of the Decision for the DeLamar Mine Project, whichever is earlier, unless terminated, extended, or cancelled prior to the expiration date.

B. Amendments:

1. The Parties may request changes to this MOU, including additional Parties, which shall be effective only upon the written agreement of all Parties.
2. Any changes, modification, revisions, or amendments to this MOU shall be incorporated by written instrument, executed and signed by all Parties, and will be effective in accordance with the terms and conditions contained herein.

C. Termination:

1. This MOU may be unilaterally terminated at any time by any one of its participants, following at least 30 days' written notice to the other participants.

XI. Other Provisions

- A. Conflict of interest. The Parties agree not to utilize any individual or organization for purposes of plan development, environmental analysis, or Cooperator representation, including officials, employees, or third-party contractors, having a financial interest in the outcome of the NEPA analysis. Questions regarding potential conflicts of interest should be referred to BLM HQ or Field Ethics Counselors for resolution.
- B. Fiscal Necessity and Non-Appropriation. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed to bind or obligate the Cooperators beyond the term of any particular appropriation of funds by the State's Legislature. The Legislature is under no legal obligation to make appropriations to fulfill the obligations under this MOU. The Cooperators reserve the right to terminate this MOU if, in its sole judgment, the Legislature of the State of Idaho fails to appropriate sufficient funds.
- C. Documenting disagreement or inconsistency. Where the BLM and one or more cooperators disagree on substantive elements of the NEPA analysis (such as designation of the alternatives to be analyzed or analysis of effects), and these disagreements cannot be resolved, the BLM will include a summary of the Cooperator's views in the completed NEPA documents. In the NEPA documents, the BLM will also describe substantial inconsistencies between its proposed action(s) and the objectives of state, local, or tribal land use plans and policies and explain whether they can be resolved.
- D. Conflict Resolution. The Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to resolve procedural or substantive conflicts and may agree to initiate an Alternative Dispute Resolution process. The Parties acknowledge that BLM retains final responsibility for the decisions identified in the NEPA analysis and decision.
 1. Facilitation. If the Parties deem necessary, they may agree to retain an independent facilitator to foster clear and efficient communication. The facilitator's responsibilities and procedures for retaining, directing, and compensating the facilitator, would be determined in coordination with the Parties in the event facilitation is deemed necessary or beneficial.
 2. Joint fact-finding. Where the Parties disagree on matters of scientific information, data collection, or analysis, procedures will be developed with the input of all Parties, and employed to prepare a neutral assessment of the contested scientific issues.
 3. A party's participation in this conflict resolution process does not waive the party's right to comment upon, defend, or administratively or judicially appeal the ultimate analysis or a decision.

E. Coordination with the BLM's contractor. In the event BLM retains a contractor for activities that may include: public involvement, data collection, environmental analysis, and NEPA document preparation; the Cooperators may coordinate with the contractor through processes to be defined at that point. This coordination may include: communicating with the contractor only through BLM's representative; providing information and comments directly to the contractor; or collaborating with contractor's technical staff and subcontractors on matters within the Cooperator's jurisdiction or special expertise. The Cooperators acknowledges that the BLM retains the exclusive responsibility to authorize modifications to the applicable contract, and that the Cooperators are not authorized to provide technical or policy direction regarding the performance of this contract.

F. Coordination with Cooperating Agency's Contractor. In the event that the Cooperators retain a contractor, the Cooperators will provide the BLM a Contractor Coordination Letter describing the nature of the relationship between the Cooperator and its contractor and the authority given to the contractor, and clearly stating that:

- 1) the contractor will represent the Cooperator;
- 2) the Cooperator has verified that its contractor has no conflict of interest, financial or otherwise, in the outcome of the project; and
- 3) the Cooperator has contractually required its contractor to comply with a non-disclosure clause consistent with the Cooperator's obligations under Section XI.A. above.

The Cooperators will be responsible for all costs incurred by the contractor. The contractor serves to help fulfill cooperating agency responsibilities outlined in Section V.B, above, and will be allowed to attend meetings between the Parties to this MOU. When two or more cooperators utilize the same contractors, each cooperator must have a separate contract in place, and each must submit a Contractor Coordination Letter to the BLM.

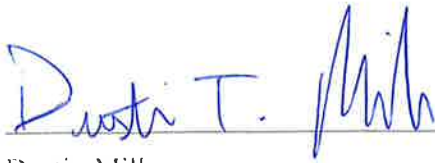
XII. Signatures

1. All signatories have the appropriate delegation of authority to sign this MOU.
2. The Parties hereto have executed this MOU on the dates shown below.

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Dated: _____

Cally Younger
Administrator
Idaho Governor's Office of Energy and Mineral Resources



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Dated: 2/26/26



Jess Byrne
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Attachments:

- Exhibit A Principal Contacts for this MOU
- Exhibit B Cooperating Agency Participation in DeLamar Mine Project
- Exhibit C Schedule of DeLamar Mine Project

Exhibit A

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Exhibit B

Cooperating Agency Participation in the DeLamar Mine Project NEPA Analysis

	NEPA Stage	Potential Activities of Cooperating Agencies (CAs) within their acknowledged areas of expertise
1	Conduct scoping and identify issues	Provide input on coordination requirements based on CA plans; identify significant issues; identify relevant local and regional organizations and interest groups; provide non-financial sponsorship of public forums with the BLM; collaborate in assessing scoping comments; identify connected, similar, and cumulative actions; identify other relevant agencies.
2	Develop planning criteria	Provide advice on proposed planning criteria.
3	Collect inventory data	Identify data needs; provide data and technical analyses within the CA's expertise.
4	Formulate alternatives	Collaborate with the BLM in developing alternatives. Suggest land allocations or management actions to resolve issues. Decision to select alternatives for analysis is reserved to the BLM.
5	Estimate effects of alternatives	Provide effects analysis within the CA's expertise; identify direct, indirect, and cumulative effects within the CA's expertise; suggest mitigation measures for adverse effects.
6	Issue Final NEPA document	Action reserved to BLM.
7	Sign Decision Document (DR or ROD)	Action reserved to the BLM.

Exhibit C

Schedule of DeLamar Mine Project EIS

Activity	Duration	Days	Start Date	End Date
Draft NOI Package	4 months	126	Monday, November 17, 2025	Monday, March 23, 2026
Draft Initial Action Notice Briefing Paper & Presentation Slides, Maps, Draft NOI				
SO Review of NOI Package	1 week	7	Tuesday, March 24, 2026	Tuesday, March 31, 2026
Incorporate edits	1 week	7	Wednesday, April 1, 2026	Wednesday, April 8, 2026
SO Final Review and submission	1 week	7	Thursday, April 9, 2026	Thursday, April 16, 2026
*Submit Resource Reports for SOPL Review	1 week	7	Thursday, April 16, 2026	Thursday, April 23, 2026
*Incorporate Edits to Resource Report	2 weeks	14	Friday, April 24, 2026	Friday, May 8, 2026
NOI Package forwarded in DTS to HQ	0 days			Wednesday, April 15, 2026
Publish NOI to Initiate Scoping	0 days			Friday, May 22, 2026
Scoping Period & Public Review of MPO	30 days	31	Friday, May 22, 2026	Monday, June 22, 2026
Conduct Public Scoping Meetings				
Develop Preliminary EIS	23 weeks	161	Tuesday, June 23, 2026	Tuesday, December 1, 2026

Collect/compile/organize Scoping Comments				
Draft Responses to Substantive Comments & Incorporate into Preliminary EIS				
EIS Development Review team Briefing				
Draft Issues for Analysis				
Draft Alternatives				
Write Environmental Consequences of Action Alternatives				
ID Team Review of Preliminary EIS	3 weeks	21	Wednesday, December 2, 2026	Wednesday, December 23, 2026
Incorporate Edits	3 weeks	21	Thursday, December 24, 2026	Thursday, January 14, 2027
CA Review of Preliminary EIS	3 weeks	21	Friday, January 15, 2027	Friday, February 5, 2027
Develop draft ROD	6 weeks	42	Friday, January 15, 2027	Friday, February 26, 2027
Incorporate Edits of CA Review Preliminary EIS	3 weeks	21	Monday, February 8, 2027	Monday, March 1, 2027
SO Review of Preliminary EIS & Draft ROD	3 weeks	21	Tuesday, March 2, 2027	Tuesday, March 23, 2027
Incorporate Edits Draft ROD & Preliminary EIS	3 weeks	21	Wednesday, March 24, 2027	Wednesday, April 14, 2027
SOL Review of Preliminary EIS & Draft ROD	3 weeks	21	Thursday, April 15, 2027	Thursday, May 6, 2027

Prepare Stage 3 Briefing Materials	4 weeks	28	Thursday, April 15, 2027	Thursday, May 13, 2027
Submit Stage 3 Briefing Materials to SO for review and finalization	2 weeks	14	Friday, May 14, 2027	Friday, May 28, 2027
Incorporate edits from SOL review into Preliminary EIS & Draft ROD	3 weeks	21	Friday, May 7, 2027	Friday, May 28, 2027
SD Review/Update of Preliminary EIS, Draft ROD, & Stage 3 Briefing Papers	3 weeks	21	Monday, May 31, 2027	Monday, June 21, 2027
Incorporate edits into EIS & ROD	2 weeks	14	Tuesday, June 22, 2027	Tuesday, July 6, 2027
HQ Review Team Review/Stage 3 Briefing of EIS	3 weeks	21	Wednesday, July 7, 2027	Wednesday, July 28, 2027
Incorporate edits from HQ Review Team	3 weeks	21	Thursday, July 29, 2027	Thursday, August 19, 2027
Submit document to EPA through CDX (by 8am Monday prior to Friday publication date)	1 week	7	Friday, August 20, 2027	Friday, August 27, 2027
Publish EIS & ROD	1 day		15 months	Friday, August 27, 2027