New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Permit Coordination and Environmental Review

Common Environmental Permits, Approvals & Certificates

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Goals of Permit Coordination and Environmental Review

- Provide better service to the public and the regulated community by utilizing a total facility approach to the permitting process;

- Complete environmental reviews in a timely fashion.

- Provide better accountability
Objectives

- Review projects subject to the:
  - National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
  - State Executive Order #215

- Establish a coordinated team that will:
  - Determine all permits required for a project;
  - Identify critical path and cross media implications.

- Develop a schedule for:
  - Approvals, Permits; & Final decisions.
Who Can Use PCER?

- New public and commercial projects:
  - Multi-media permits and multiple agency approvals;
  - Transportation infrastructure, schools, golf courses, power plants, water utilities, manufacturers, parks.

- Major existing facilities:
  - Project expansion;
  - Transfers of ownership;
  - Permit renewals and modifications.

- Major Redevelopment:
  - Brownfield Redevelopment:
  - Large Scale Commercial & Residential Development.
Coordinated Projects - Permit Coordination

- **Transportation and infrastructure:**
  - Light Rail projects; NJ TPK and GSP Improvement Projects (EO-215); Goethals Bridge Replacement (NEPA); Philadelphia Airport Capacity Enhancement Program (NEPA)
  - Various NJ Transit/Amtrak projects and Transit villages; Multiple power lines and pipeline projects

- **Landfill Closure and Dredge Projects:**
  - OENJ Bayonne; Bellmawr Fazzio; landfill closure to solar; Solar on Landfill projects; Cross Harbors Freight; Delaware River and New York Harbor dredge projects

- **Innovative Technology and Energy:**
  - On shore and Off-shore Wind Power Plants; CNG
  - Alternative Energy Biomass projects - Ethanol Projects, Tire or vegetable waste to energy projects; desalination plants; natural gas power plants

- **Brownfields:**
  - Red Bulls Stadium - Harrison;
  - Port Liberty- Jersey City; NL - Sayreville; various Roebling Sites

- **Golf Courses:** Beneficial reuse of Wastewater

- **Hurricane Sandy Recovery Projects**

- **Schools:** Abbott / Non-Abbott District Projects
Permit Coordination Flow Diagram

New Project

PRC

Pre-App Meetings

Issue Permits

Critical Path

Permit Determination
Benefits of PCER

- Provides accountable, timely & consistent permit oversight;
- Opens communication between team members & applicants;
- Avoids conflicting requirements, duplication of effort & last minute surprises;
Guidance Documents
Permit Readiness Checklist
NEPA/E0-215 Environmental Assessments
http://www.nj.gov/dep/pcer

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