NR 700 Process & Timeline Overview*

RP letter

SI work plan and report

RAOR

RA design & construction

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DNR sends RP letter. DNR recommends hiring consultant with 30 days.

RP shall submit SI work plan to DNR within 60 days of notification (via RP letter) that a SI work plan is required (NR 700.11(bm)).

FEE: DNR provides written comments and/or approves fees under NR 749.04.

RP completes field investigation, receives lab data.

RP shall initiate field investigation within 60 days of DNR approval (NR 716.11(2r)).

Unless otherwise approved by DNR, RP shall submit SI report to DNR w/in 60 days after completion of field investigation and receipt of lab data (NR 716.15(1)).

FEE: DNR may provide written comments and/or approve work plan (NR 722.15(1)). DNR acknowledges receipt (NR 700.11(1)(em)).

RP revises SI work plan.

RP shall initiate field investigation within 60 days of notification that a SI work plan is required (NR 700.11(bm)).

RP conducts further site investigation, if required.

NO FEE: DNR may provide written comments on work plan. RP shall wait 30 days for review unless instructed to proceed with field investigation (NR 716.09(3)(b)).

Unless otherwise directed by DNR, RP shall initiate the design & construction or the selected remedial action within 90 days of approval (NR 722.15(3)).

FEE: DNR acknowledges receipt (NR 700.11(1)(em)).

NO FEE: DNR may provide written comments on RAOR (NR 722.15(1)). DNR acknowledges receipt (NR 700.11(1)(em)).

RP revises RAOR.

RP completes field investigation, receives lab data.

RP shall submit RAOR within 60 days after submitting the SI report unless DNR specifies otherwise (NR 722.13(1)).

Unless otherwise directed by DNR, RP submits any NR 724.02(1) design report required based on site complexity (NR 724.09).

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RA design and construction (cont.)

DNR determines if approval is necessary for NR 724 design documents and informs RP.

DNR approves or conditionally approves design documents (NR 724.07, fees under NR 749.04).

Completion of construction of a remedial action or any interim action specified in NR 724.02(1).

DNR may provide comments on design documents (NR 724.07).

≤ 60 days

Unless otherwise directed by DNR, RP shall submit a construction documentation or as-built report within 60 days after date of construction of a remedial action or any interim action specified in NR 724.02(1) is completed or determined to be essentially complete by DNR (NR 724.15(1)).

RP conducts necessary monitoring and O&M.

RP shall submit semi-annual O&M reports if required (NR 724.13(3)).

RP notifies owners of property with residual contamination or continuing obligations (NR 725).

RP submits closure request (NR 726) DNR begins review of request.

DNR issues either final closure letter or review comment.

DNR grants final case closure.

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Closure not recommended, RP returns to previous step in process or moves to closure reconsideration option.

≥ 30 days after the notification letters are received (NR 726.13(d)(2)) (see exceptions)

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