Overview of metallic mining permitting process: applicant submittal

- Mining company obtains exploration license and conducts an exploration drilling program to ascertain the presence of a mineral deposit.
- Mining company establishes economic viability of ore body (mineral deposit) and decides to pursue development of a mining project.
- Applicant submits a Notice of Intent to collect data to support a Mining Permit Application, including a preliminary project description.
- The WDNR holds a public informational meeting and provides input to the mining company on data collection needs.
- Applicant collects appropriate environmental data to support permit applications and environmental review.
- Applicant submits the necessary permit applications and environmental data to start the permitting process:
  - Mining Permit Application
  - Feasibility Report for any mining waste facility
  - Mining Plan
  - Reclamation Plan
  - Monitoring and Quality Assurance Plan
  - Risk Assessment and Contingency Plan
  - Compliance with Mining Moratorium Law
  - Environmental Impact Report
  - Additional permit applications, possibly including Air pollution control, Wastewater treatment, High capacity wells, Wastewater discharge