APPENDIX 4.2-1
Federal Regulatory Program - Permitting Approval Process

1. Operator submits SMCRA application received and application cost estimate
2. OSMRE receives application and application cost estimate
3. Administrative review
4. Inspection notified and inter-agency visit
5. Team review of application
6. Completed CHIA, Bond Calculation, AVS Findings, and Bond Acceptance
7. Approved SMCRA permit

**Step 1** Other Regulatory Processes (ie. CWA, NHPA...)
**Step 2** Other Regulatory Processes (ie. CWA, NHPA...)
**Step 3** Other Regulatory Processes (ie. CWA, NHPA...)
**Step 4** Other Regulatory Processes (ie. CWA, NHPA...)

OSMRE makes a finding and prepares a decision document
OSMRE evaluates significance of impacts and prepares appropriate NEPA documentation
OSMRE assesses environmental resources

**Legend**
- **Task Direction Arrows**
- **Iterative Task Direction Arrows**
- **Milestone and Decisions Points**
- **OSMRE Program Responsibility**
- **OSMRE NEPA Review Tasks**
- **OSMRE Tasks for Other Regulatory Processes**

**Required Project Tasks**
- State or Tribal Program Responsibility
- **Time Guide in relation to Tasks**
- **Guidelines for Milestones and Decisions Point Timing** (Note: Approximately located as a sliding scale based on specific project circumstances)

**Note:** This flowchart only illustrates an approval process. An applicant can withdraw the proposal, and/or OSMRE can request additional information, and/or not approve the proposal at anytime throughout the review process.