APPENDIX 4.2-7

OSMRE (Federal) AML Reclamation Process

1. Congress approves Federal AML funding as part of annual appropriations law

Step 1: Other Regulatory Processes (ie. CWA, NHPA, ...)
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Step 4: Other Regulatory Processes (ie. CWA, NHPA, ...)

2. OSMRE selects AML site for reclamation

OSMRE assesses project area and conducts the environmental review
(ie. EA or DEIS)

3. OSMRE Designs Reclamation Plan

OSMRE evaluates significance of impacts and prepares appropriate NEPA documentation
(ie. FES, FEIS, etc.)

4. OSMRE Completes Reclamation Plan

OSMRE makes a finding and prepares a decision document
(ie. FONSI, Significance Determination, or ROD)

5. OSMRE proceeds to fund reclamation work as described in NEPA documentation

6. AML site is reclaimed

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.