Environmental Reviews Lessons Learned

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Outline



- Before submitting the application
- After submitting the application



Before Submitting the Application



- Awareness of issues from prior and ongoing reviews
 - Review GEIS, SEISs, EAs
 - Review NRC's RAIs and licensee/applicant's RAI responses
 - Review comment response appendices in GEIS, SEISs
 - Review issues raised by other Federal, State agencies and Tribes
- Examples of consistent issues
 - Waste management (types, volumes, treatment, and disposal)
 - Groundwater consumptive use (all expected uses)
 - Cumulative impact analysis (resource-specific scope)
 - Reasonable alternatives (big A and little a)
 - Pre-construction (51.45)

After Submitting the Application



Issues

- Need for periodic, effective communication
- Provide periodic permit status updates
- Provide updated figures that reflect changes
- Treatment of applicant's comments on draft SEIS





QUESTIONS?