



**Department of the
Environment**

**Ministry of Sustainable
Development, Climate
Change and Disaster Risk
Management**

The Environmental Impact Assessment Process



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Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations



...requires that **any project** or activity which may have **significant impact on the environment** may be required to **carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment**.

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An EIA is effective in:

Being a planning tool

for promoting environmental sound development practices.

Examining

both the adverse and beneficial environmental consequences of a project design.

Ensuring the development of mitigation measures

to address the environmental consequences during project development.

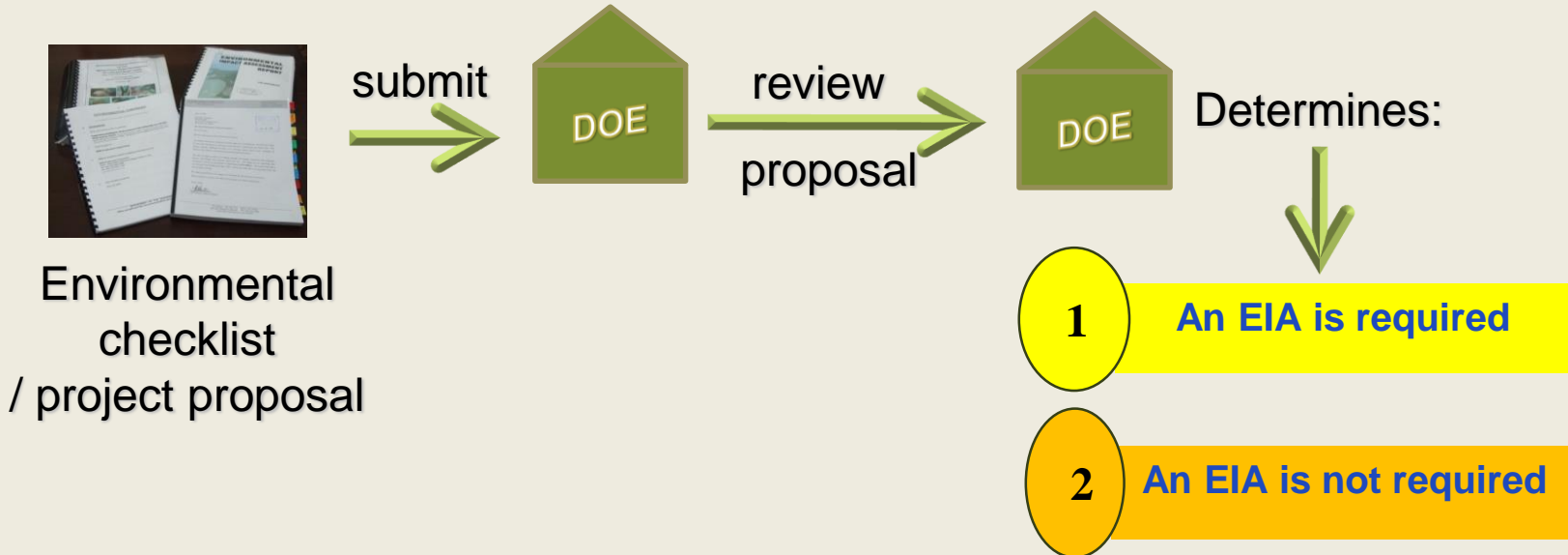
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Screening:



Prior to the commencement of any project or activity.

- Developer (private or public) apply to the DOE to determine if an EIA is required for said project.



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2 EIA not required

The project or undertaking may be granted environmental clearance by the Department



Subject to:

- 1.The signing of an Environmental Compliance Plan
- 2.Other conditions set forth by the Department
- 3.Payment of an environmental monitoring fee

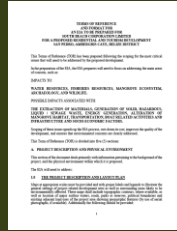


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Scoping:

1 EIA is required

A Terms of Reference, or TOR, is developed.



TOR identifies major environmental issues that may be affected during the development of the project

Water Resources

Quantity, quality, accessibility

Special Ecosystems Flora & Fauna

*Key species
Populations, habitat, key species*

Impacts associated with:

*Generation of solid, hazardous, liquid / sewage waste
Energy generation
Transportation
Socio-economic factors*

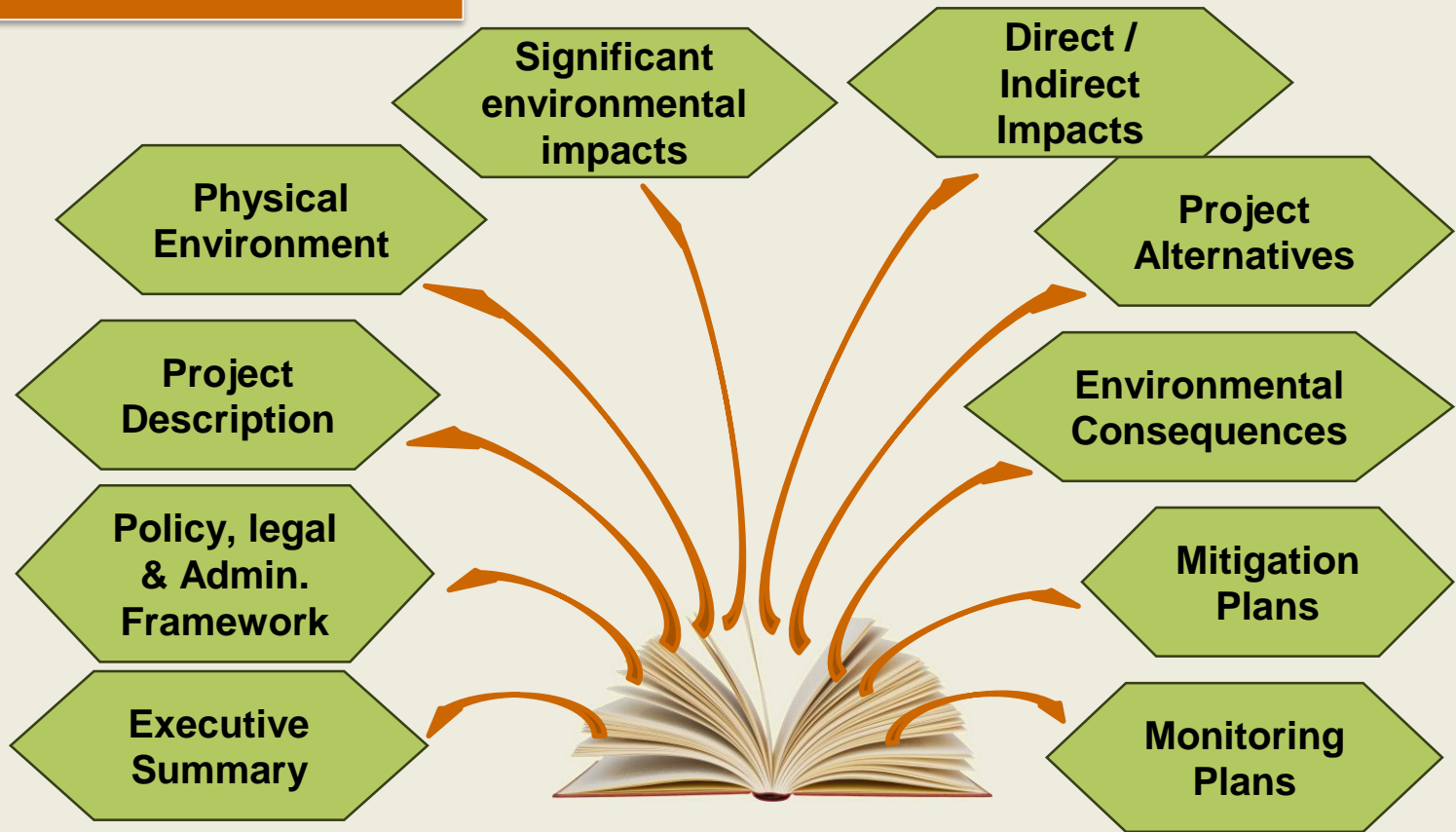


EIA is developed by the developer based on the TOR and contents of an EIA, and submitted to the DOE.

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Contents of an EIA:

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Decision Making Process:



On recommendation



Decision made by DOE

Recommendations:

EIA Inadequate:
Requires further investigation

Further public consultation necessary

Development not proceed

Development proceed:
Subject to conditions

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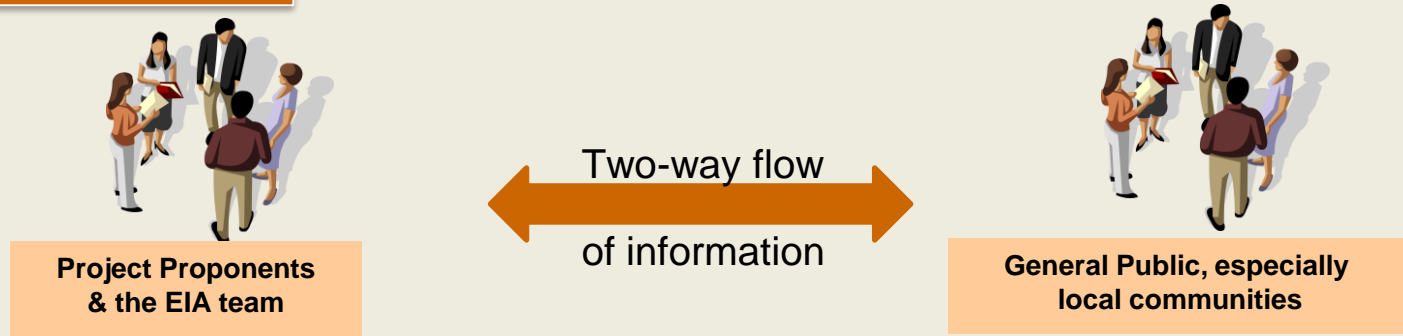
Composition of NEAC:

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Public Consultation:



Objectives:

1. Express opinions and points of view
2. Give advice
3. Provide details and explanations
4. Make deliberations



This process should be open and accessible to the general public.

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Conclusion:

Preventative approach

Vs. Reactive approach

Evaluate of expected effects

on human health and the natural and cultural environment

Consider alternative project designs

Including mitigation measures incorporated into project design

Balance between development and the environment!

Thank you for your attention



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