Flowchart 4: Exploration Permitting Overview

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Who owns the surface?

4.9

Federal

State Land Leasing and Land Access
4.11
See Flowchart 3-(ST)-b

Private

Obtain surface owner agreement
4.10
XX days

Is there a lease in place?

4.12

Yes

No

Which agency is the surface management agency?

4.13

USFS

USFS Exploration Application Process
4.14
See Flowchart 4-FD-c

BLM and Other DOI

Does the state require permits, regardless of land and geothermal ownership?

4.15

No

Yes

Drilling and Well Development
4.16
See Flowchart 5-(ST)-a

BLM Exploration Application Process
4.17
See Flowchart 4-FD-a

Color Key

Developer

Agency

Other

Public

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