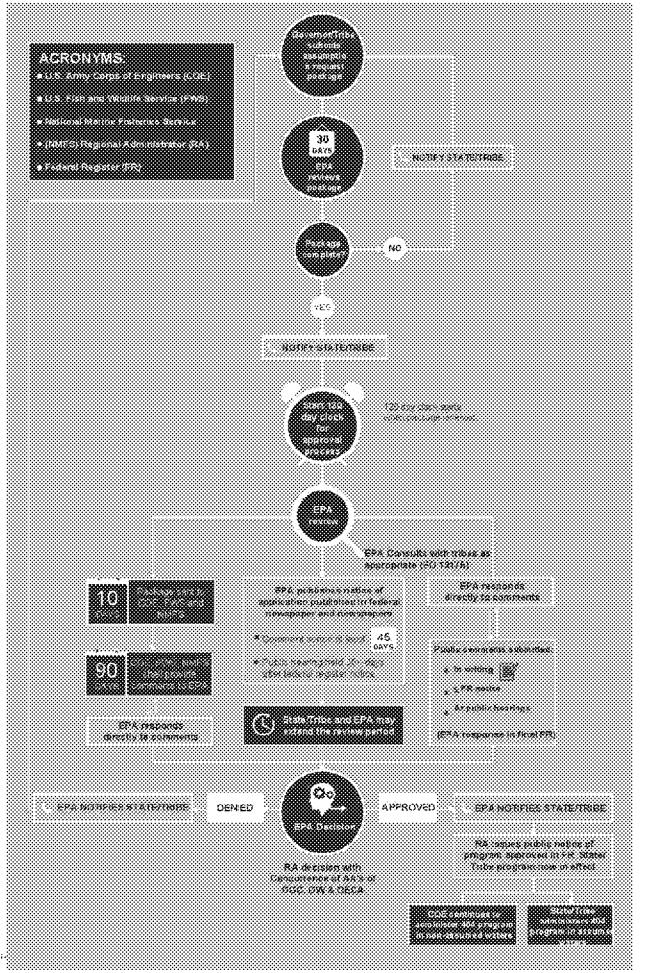
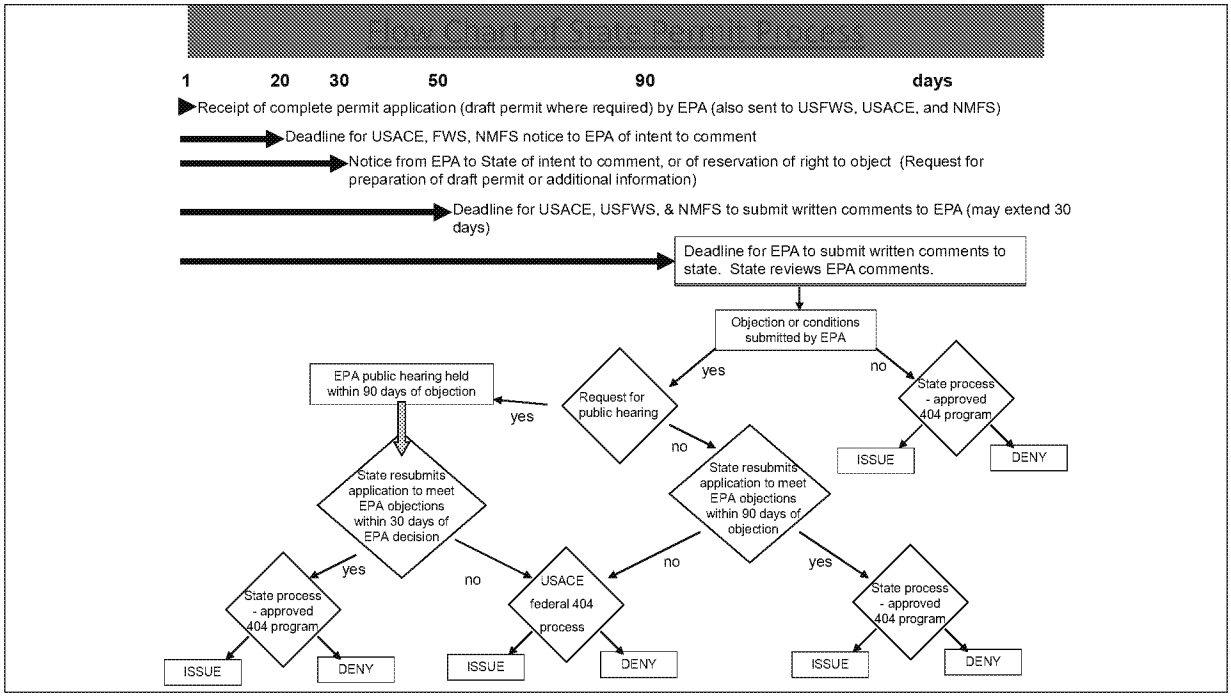
Approval Process

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90
days
Receipt of complete permit application (draft permit where required) by EPA (also sent to USFWS, USACE, and NMFS)
Deadline for USACE, FWS, NMFS notice to EPA of intent to comment
Notice from EPA to State of intent to comment, or of reservation of right to object (Request for preparation of draft permit or additional information)
Deadline for USACE, USFWS, & NMFS to submit written comments to EPA (may extend 30 days)
Deadline for EPA to submit written comments to state. State reviews EPA comments.
Objection or conditions submitted by EPA
yes
no
Request for public hearing
State process - approved 404 program
ISSUE
DENY
EPA public hearing held within 90 days of objection
yes
no
State resubmits application to meet EPA objections within 30 days of EPA decision
State resubmits application to meet EPA objections within 90 days of objection
yes
no
no
yes
State process - approved 404 program
USACE federal 404 process
State process - approved 404 program
ISSUE
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