GDP with Up Front EA

Timeframe Task Should be Completed (# of Weeks)												
Task	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
WORK TO DO: Identify BLM permit processing team (IDT), develop resource and conflict maps, establish set of expectations for industry and checklists, initiate Native American consultation, identify model GDP and EA template, establish online database and data steward.						A. C.					Agent Indian	
Plan of Development Mtg: seasonal/annual discussion with industry about drilling plans for the upcoming year. Discuss GDP process and alert Operator of potential issues with cultural sites or T&E species												
BLM & Contractor complete data/surveys as needed - Eg. Wildlife, botany, cultural												
Hold BLM/Operator/Contractor Onsite. Any "kick off" meeting items should be discussed <u>before</u> or in conjunction with Onsite. Eg. Timeline, proposed action, possible alternatives. Invite other groups; tribe, USFWS.												
Contractor prepares preliminary EA												
Receive Application and preliminary EA (instruct industry to send electronically to FO, NV Geothermal Group, and BLM State office). Identify point of contact at the BLM. The FO is the office of record.												
Call Operator or send acknowledgement letter/email												
Conduct review for completeness, includes adjudication and engineering. Call operator if necessary.				And the second s								
If application is complete, send email/checklist to Operator.												
If application is deficient, send email/checklist to FO to sign and send.												
Public Involvement (Section 8.2. of Draft NEPA Handbook). Typically 30-day notice period or public meeting. Post notice on web. Circulate notice to select interested parties.												
Send out consultation letters and conduct consultation with ESA, SHPO, etc.												
Send out consultation letters and conduct consultation for Tribes.												
BLM reviews EA and submits comments to NV Geothermal Team for consolidation and consistency review. If necessary, develop additional mitigation measures.												
Submits refined comments to Contractor												
Contractor incorporates comments					SA							
BLM conducts final review									MESS!			
Contractor finalizes and delivers EA												
BLM accept EA												
FONSI & DR prepared						E0-11-2			AAA			
FONSI & ROD Signed												
BLM & Contractor prepares Dear Interest Party Letter informing public that decision has been made and posts on website												