

Following-Leasing  
 Pilot Project

**1. Initial Sponsor Selection**  
 Board selects sponsor of pilot project concept based on:

- Eligibility criteria
- Comments submitted
- Consultation with SEO

Note: At the Sponsor's request and with Board approval, the Sponsor may pursue Step 1 and Step 2 concurrently to expedite the process.

**2. Project Approval**  
 Board approves pilot project operation based on:

- Engineering analysis
- Conference report
- SEO Determination
  - No injury
  - Compact compliance

**3. Project Operation**  
 Sponsor begins operation

**2. Project Approval Process - Expanded**

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| Sponsor of pilot project (or Applicant) submits application to the Board for Approval. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pilot project description</li> <li>• Consumptive use and return flow analysis</li> <li>• Description of replacement water</li> <li>• Proof of notice</li> </ul> | No less than<br>75 days <sup>1</sup> | Comment<br>deadline | No more than<br>30 days <sup>1</sup> | Applicant, State Engineer, and commenting parties conduct conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion: prevent material injury</li> </ul> | No more than<br>15 days <sup>1</sup> | Joint report from conference to Board and State Engineer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terms and conditions or,</li> <li>• Reason for no terms and conditions</li> </ul> | State Engineer determination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No injury</li> <li>• Compact compliance</li> </ul> |
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1. These time periods are directed by statute