

DNR/DOT Cooperative Agreement

*One Process. One Team. Streamlined
Environmental Review.*

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Presentation Overview

- The DNR/DOT Team
- General Project Lifecycle
- What is the Cooperative Agreement?
 - Fundamentals
 - Core Framework
 - Benefits to Airport Development Projects
- Coordination Highlights
- DNR Final Thoughts





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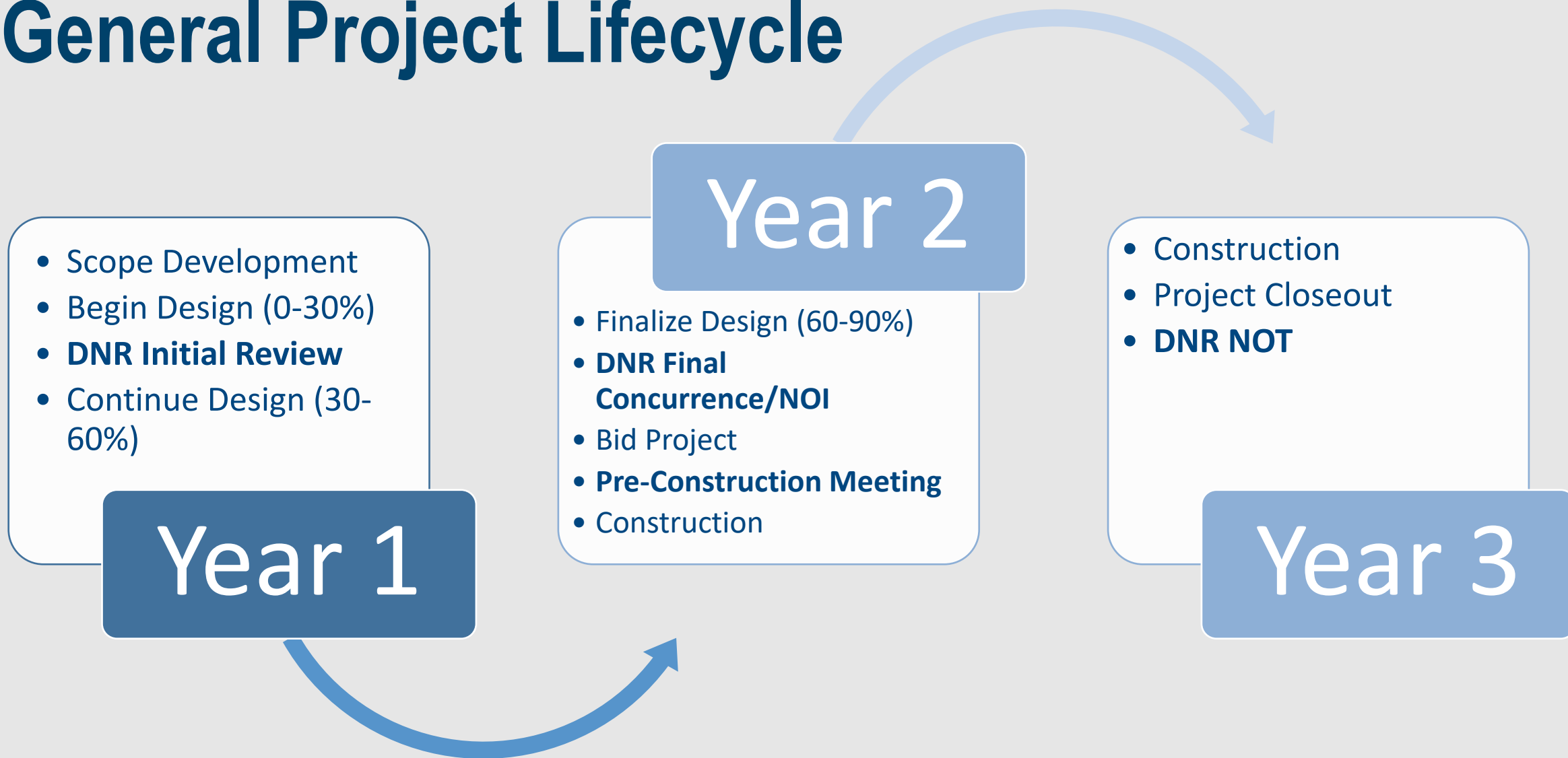
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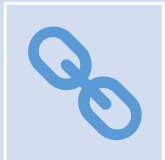


General Project Lifecycle

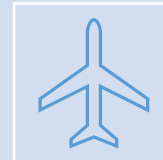


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Fundamentals



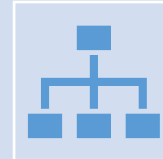
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Applies to DOT-directed & supervised transportation activities



DOT benefits from single DNR point of contact and thus a streamlined review process



Primary contacts include:

DNR Transportation Liaison (TL),
BOA Environmental Coordinator
& Project Manager (PM)

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Core Framework

- Establishes liaison procedures so DNR and DOT can coordinate efficiently while balancing environmental stewardship and transportation needs.
- Aims for coordinated planning, synchronized reviews, and improved government process efficiency.
- Affirms both agencies' shared obligation to serve the public interest through timely collaboration.



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Benefits to Airport Development Projects

DNR review of BOA projects includes:

- Public Lands
- Wetlands
- Fisheries/Streams
- Endangered Resources
- Floodplains
- Stormwater & Erosion Control
- Hazardous Waste
- Air Quality
- Other



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Benefits to Airport Development Projects

DOT Led Projects:

- Are not subject to the prohibitions or permit or approval requirements of certain DNR regulatory authorities [[Wis. Stat. Chapter 30.2022](#)]
- Have consolidated review timelines
- Benefit from a centralized DNR review process and well-established relationships



Coordination Highlights

Door Co. Cherryland Airport (SUE) Runway 2/20 Rehabilitation Project

- Tree Removal/Grading
- Public Lands
 - Potowatami State Park
 - DNR Parks/Land/Forestry
- Wetlands
- On-site Meetings



Coordination Highlights

Stevens Point Municipal (STE) Perimeter Fence Installation

- **Public Lands**
 - Green Circle Trail
- **Endangered Resources**
 - Karner Blue Butterfly
 - Dwarf Milkweed
 - Red-shouldered Hawk
 - Wood Turtle





DNR Final Thoughts

- Plan for things that might need additional DNR coordination/review time
 - Post-construction stormwater standards
 - Large increases in impervious surfaces, more runoff
 - Projects with lots of grading
 - Endangered resource review
 - Karner Blue Butterfly (KBB), Lupine surveys
 - Culvert crossings
- Explain airport rules/regulations in plain language (purpose and need)



Questions?

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