# High Desert District-Rawlins Field Office, Wyoming

## Chokecherry and Sierra Madre Wind Energy Project

### National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Process

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) (completed)

> Publish Notice of Intent July 25, 2008

45-Day Scoping Period September 23, 2008 (Extended)

> Publish Draft EIS July 22, 2011

90-Day Public Comment on Draft EIS July 22-October 19, 2011

> Publish Final EIS June 29, 2012

30-Day Protest Period June 29-July 29, 2012

Record of Decision Signed October 9, 2012

30-Day Appeal Period and 60-Day Governor's Consistency Review

Site-specific NEPA Tiering Analysis, Pursuant to the Record of Decision

Site-specific NEPA Tiering Analysis (to be performed)

PCW Submits Site-specific Plans of Development

**30-Day Scoping Period** 

Draft Environmental
Assessment (EA)
Tiered to the EIS

**EA Comment Period** 

**Incorporate Comments** 

Issue EA, Finding of No Significant Impact, Decision Record

**30-Day Appeal Period** 



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### Site-specific Environmental Assessment for Phase I Wind Turbine Development

The Chokecherry and Sierra Madre Wind Energy Project (CCSM) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Record of Decision determined that over 200,000 acres within the CCSM Project Area are suitable for wind energy development subject to the requirements described under the Selected Alternative, but did not identify individual turbine or infrastructure component locations. Subsequent environmental assessments (EAs) tiered to the EIS will analyze site-specific plans of development. The first EA to be analyzed is for the infrastructure components and scoping was held from September 9 to November 4, 2013. The second EA will address the Phase I Wind Turbine Development. Scoping for the second EA will occur from December 6, 2013 through January 14, 2014.

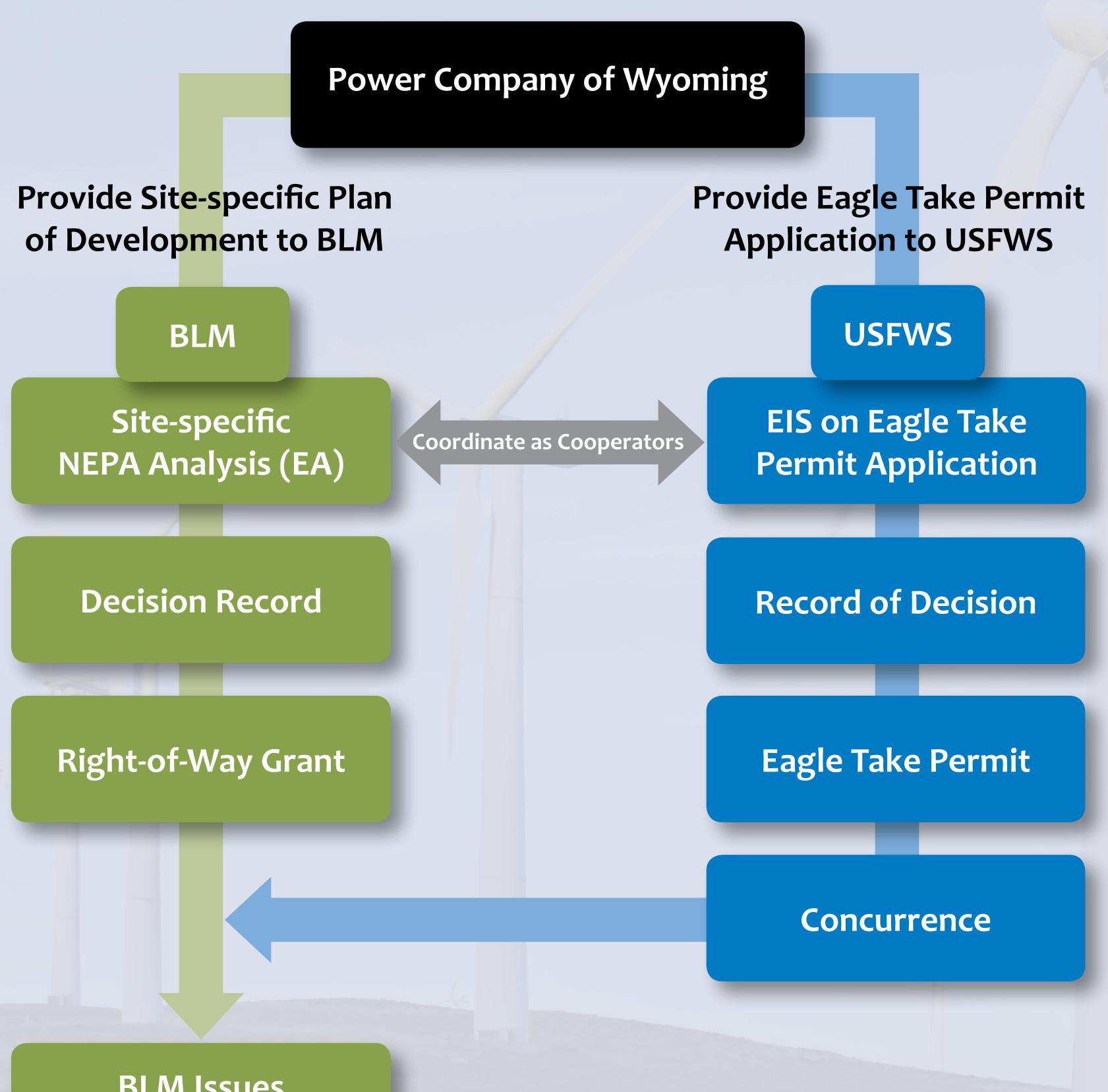
SITE-SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS	
Haul Road and Facilities for Phase I	Environmental
West Sinclair Rail Facility	Assessment 1 (Sept. 2013 – June 2014)
Road Rock Quarry	
Phase I Wind Turbine Development	Environmental Assessment 2 (Dec. 2013 – Sept. 2014)
Phase II Wind Turbine Development (including Haul Road and Facilities for Phase II)	Environmental Assessment 3 (dates to be determined)



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# Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Coordination

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on Power Company of Wyoming's application for an Eagle Take Permit for Phase I Wind Turbine Development for the Chokecherry and Sierra Madre Wind Energy Project (CCSM). The USFWS and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) processes will take place concurrently. The BLM and USFWS will coordinate throughout their individual NEPA processes as cooperators.



BLM Issues
Notice to Proceed

