

## Comprehensive Plan/Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area (MRCCA) Chapter Review and Approval Process Summary for Local Governments.

### Overview

- MRCCA plans are a chapter in the comprehensive plan.
- All MRCCA plan submittals go to Met Council, just like all other comprehensive plan submittals.
- Most MRCCA plan procedural communications go to/from Met Council. **Exceptions in bold below.**

### Preliminary review

- Submit by Sept. 2018.
- Opportunity for LGU to get informal Met Council/DNR comments on draft plan – missing and incomplete items.
- Met Council sends preliminary review summary to LGU.

### Official Plan Submittal – Completeness Review

- Submit by Dec 30, 2018.
- Met Council/DNR determine if complete within 15 business days of plan submittal.
- Met Council sends communication on submittal status.

### Official Review of MRCCA Plan

- Review completed within 90 calendar days from submittal, if plan is complete.
- Met Council reviews MRCCA plan and makes recommendations to DNR within 45 days.
- DNR reviews plan, considers Met Council recommendations, and makes approval determination within 45 days of receiving recommendations from Met Council.
- **DNR communicates directly with LGU on approval determination. If not approved, needed modifications explained and plans returned to LGU by DNR.**
- Note, Met Council has 120 calendar days to complete review of entire comp plan and take action.

### Extensions for initial MRCCA Plan Submittal (extension slide: initial & modification)

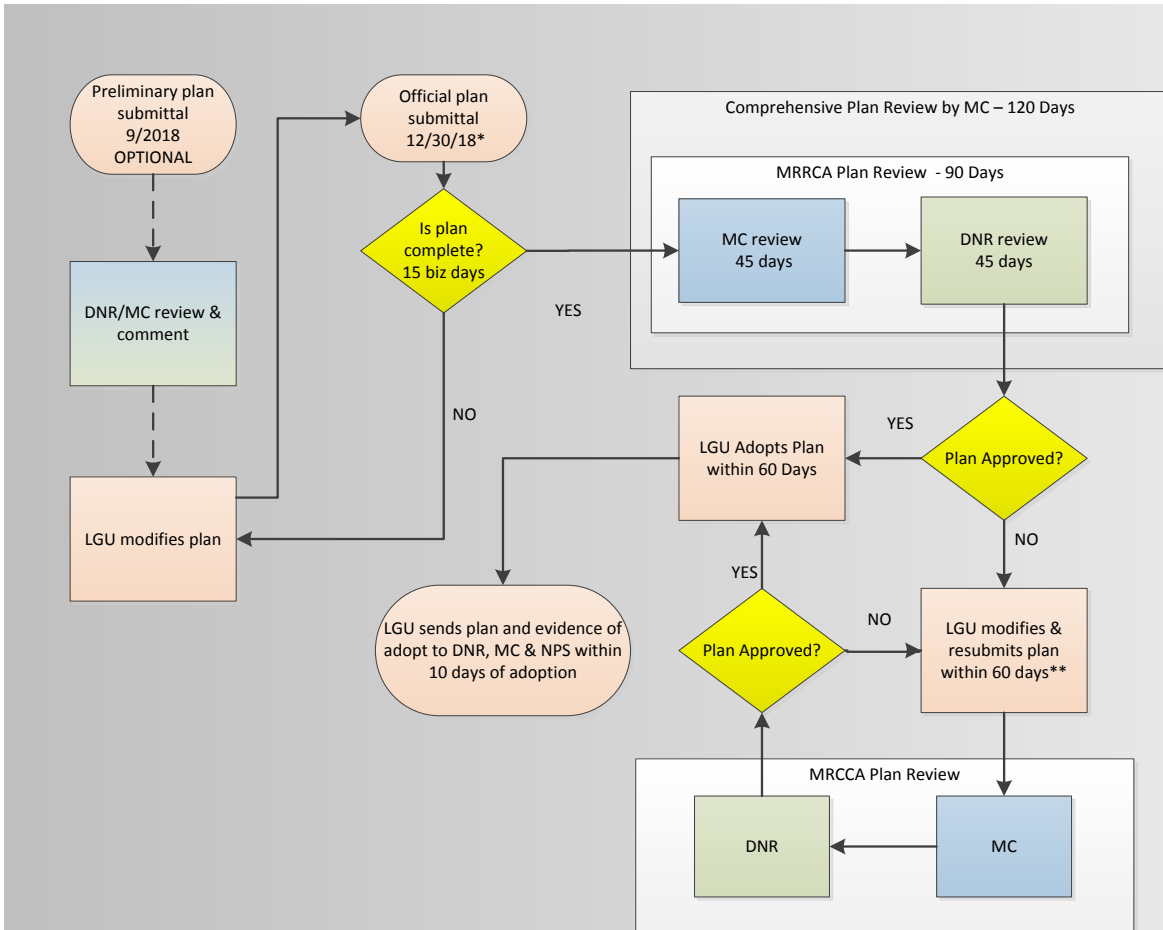
- Requests due by TBD – depends on Met Council extension policy for overall comprehensive plans.
- DNR makes request determination (yes/no) and communicates through Met Council.
- Requests require explanation, good faith effort, and schedule for completion.
- Comp plans not complete until all chapters (including MRCCA, water resources, etc.) are complete.

### MRCCA Plans Returned for Modification

- LGU submits modified plan within 60 days of non-approval or from date of requested meeting with DNR to discuss non-approval. **LGU requests meeting directly with DNR.**
- Modified plans returned to Met Council.
- Extensions are available for MRCCA plans returned for modification. LGU makes extension **request directly from DNR** – But, comp plans not complete until MRCCA chapter is complete.

## MRCCA Plan Adoption

- LGU adopts plan within 60 days of DNR approval.
- LGU sends adopted plan and evidence of adoption to DNR, Met Council, and National Park Service within 10 days of adoption.



### Notes:

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- All MRCCA plan submittals go to the Met Council.
- Most LGU MRCCA plan procedural communications go to/from Met Council.
- All days are calendar days unless otherwise noted.
- (\*) Indicates that extensions are available.
- (\*\*) Indicates that any meeting with DNR delays start of 60 days. Extensions are also available.
- Comprehensive plans are not complete until all chapters (e.g. MRCCA, Water Resources) are complete and approved.