PHASE 1: EAO and Agency work closely together before a substitution decision and immediately thereafter.

- Project description received
- BC request for substitution
- Discussions on Aboriginal consultation and WG composition
- Substitution decision

PHASE 2: This phase begins upon the Agency’s notice of commencement and notice of substitution decision. EAO will conduct the substituted EA independently, keeping the Agency apprised of key milestones and issues.

- Liaison to provide feedback on documents and provincial issues tracking table or equivalent
- Application prepared and submitted
- Application screening and Review
- Draft Assessment Report

PHASE 3: EAO and Agency work closely together to finalize EA and refer to Ministers for decision.

- Feder Conditions Development
- Final Assessment Report and delivery to Agency
- Joint briefing to Exec Director of EAO and President of the Agency

Notes:
- This diagram is for substituted EAs where a proponent submits a project description to EAO and the Agency at or near the same time. Substituted EAs may not proceed in exactly this sequence; this diagram is for illustration purposes only, based on current practices at the time of development.
- The 365-day timeline under CEAA 2012 does not include time taken by the proponent to collect information or undertake studies.
- The MOU sets out a process for sharing and discussing information prior to receipt of a project description.
- In addition to the process steps in this diagram, EAO and the Agency will provide each other with any relevant approvals, Orders, or other statutory instruments, and wherever possible, with advance notice of public meetings and media releases.