COMPETITIVE LEASING

1. Applicant submits an unsolicited request to lease minerals.
   - BOEM publishes a Request for Interest (RFI) to alert other interested companies and solicit information on the area.

2. BOEM identifies the location and tract size for the lease area.
   - BOEM conducts agency-specific consultations.

3. BOEM conducts environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).
   - BOEM conducts agency-specific consultations.
   - BOEM issues a proposed leasing notice.
   - Public Involvement Posted to BOEM.gov

4. BOEM issues a proposed leasing notice.
   - Governors of adjacent states provide comments on proposed lease sale.
   - Public Involvement Posted to BOEM.gov

5. Applicants place bids for a minerals lease.
   - BOEM issues a lease.
   - Posted to BOEM.gov

Adjacent states may form a Task Force with BOEM to coordinate and share information.