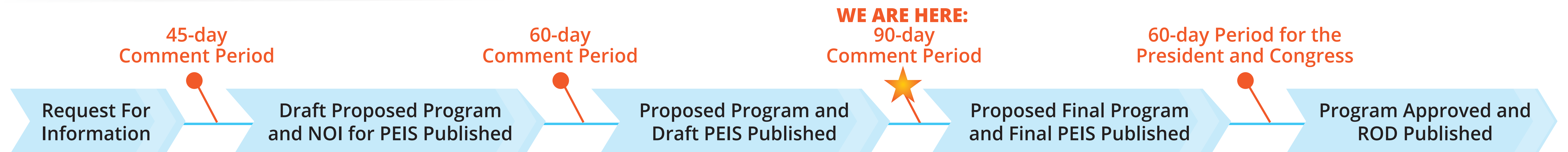
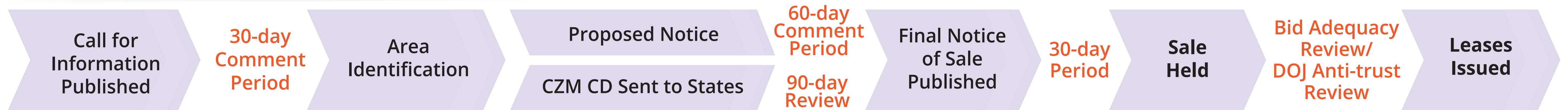


OCS Oil and Gas Leasing, Exploration, and Development Process

National OCS Leasing Program



Typical Planning for Specific Oil and Gas Lease Sale



NEPA Review (includes public comment periods)

Environmental Consultations

Government-to-Government Consultations

Oil and Gas Exploration Plan and Drilling Approval



Oil and Gas Development and Production Plan Approval



PRE-LEASE (BOEM)

POST-LEASE (BOEM/BSEE)

Key: APD = Application for Permit to Drill; BOEM = Bureau of Ocean Energy Management; BSEE = Bureau of Safety and Environment Enforcement; CD = Consistency Determination; CZM = Coastal Zone Management; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; G2G = Government to Government; NEPA = National Environment Policy Act; NOI = Notice of Intent; OCS = Outer Continental Shelf; PEIS = Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement; ROD = Record of Decision.