Timeline for Processing VPA Permit Applications & Draft Permits

Processing Stage	Days Following Application Receipt					
0	30	60	90	120	150	180
Application receipt through permit issuance (180 days)						
Administrative review (14 days)						
Technical review (45 days)[1.]						
Local government and adjacent property resident notification[2.]						
Public meeting for land application/disposal of biosolids, municipal wastewater and stabilized septage (14 to 145 days)[3]						
Draft permit processing (120 days)[4.]						

1. The technical review period may exceed 45 days where the VDH local health district director requests to review a copy of a permit application to land apply biosolids or stabilized septage.

2. Adjacent property resident notification is required for permit reissuances or modifications that propose to increase the biosolids land application acreage by less than 50 percent of the originally permitted acreage. Adjacent property owner or resident notifications are not required for other pollutant management activities.

3. When a public meeting is required for a permit application to issue, reissue or modify a VPA permit for the land application or disposal of biosolids, municipal wastewater or stabilized septage, the public meeting may be held any time between the date it is deemed administratively complete and the date the public notice for the draft permit is published. The permit cannot be issued until the public meeting and associated comment period have been completed.

4. The processing period for a draft permit may be increased by a public hearing.