

How does the New Source Review process work?

The NSR process begins when we receive an application for a permit called a Notice of Construction (NOC) from the owner or authorized project representative. **The NOC must be submitted on NWAPA's NOC application form.** (All forms are available online at:

<http://www.nwair.org/regulated/forms.html> or can be obtained by calling our office.)

The project application must contain:

- **A detailed description of the project with a plot plan.**
- **State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist** - This checklist provides information that helps identify the environmental impacts of the project.
- **Best Available Control Technology (BACT) analysis** for air pollutants and air toxics - This analysis determines what air pollution controls are required for the project.
- **Filing & New Source Review Fee** - Fees vary depending on the complexity of the source (NWAPA Section 324.2).
- **Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) applicability form** – This information helps determine if a source is required to provide a more involved PSD analysis of emissions and processes. While all sources must complete an applicability form, most small sources do not require a complete PSD analysis.

For more information call:

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New Sources of Air Pollutants

New Source Review Requirements

What is "New Source Review"?

New Source Review (NSR) is required prior to construction of new facilities or expansion or modification of existing operations that will create air pollution. All proposed sources of air pollution must complete the NSR process before beginning construction to assure compliance with federal, state and local regulations. The final step in the process is the issuance of a permit called an Order of Approval to Construct.

Why is New Source Review important?

NSR helps ensure that air quality impacts from commercial and industrial activities are minimized. Through the NSR process, businesses learn how their activities affect air quality and how to reduce air emissions.

Who is required to undergo New Source Review?

Regulations covering NSR can be complicated and generally require some technical assistance. The Northwest Air Pollution Authority (NWAPA) staff is available to help you determine if NSR is required for your proposed activity (NWAPA Regulation 300).

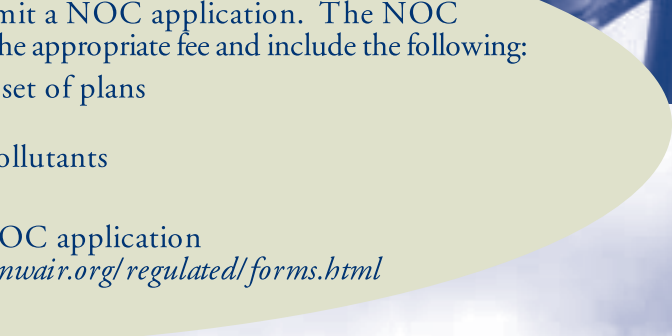
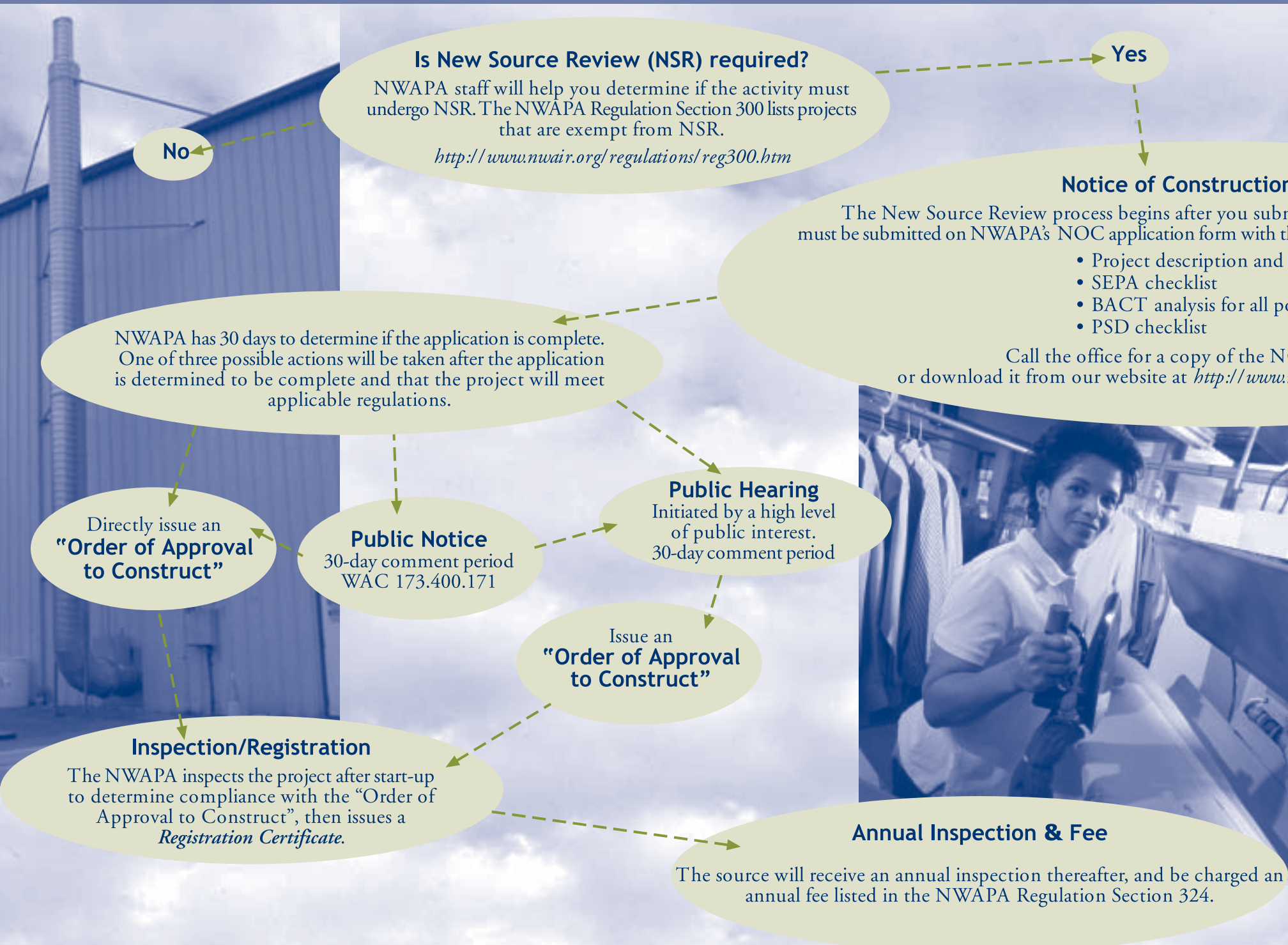


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The staff at Northwest Air Pollution Authority is available to help you determine if your proposed activity must undergo the New Source Review. The NWAPA Regulation Section 300 lists projects that are exempt from NSR.