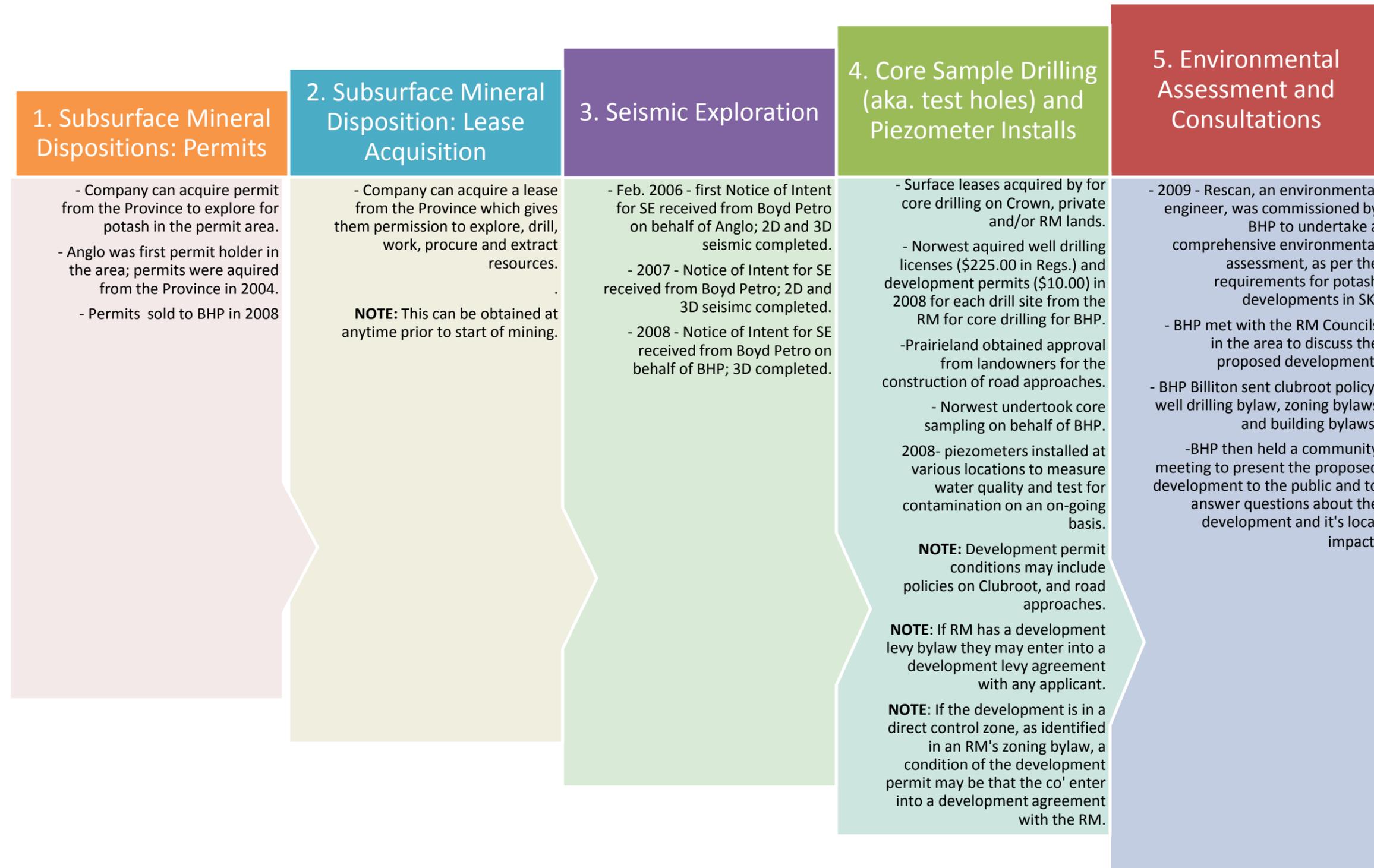


SAMPLE Conventional Potash Development Process¹: BHP²



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² Part II of the process with Information provided by RM of Prairie Rose No. 491, the Ministry of Economy and the Ministry of Environment.

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TIPS for RMs:

- **Ask questions!** The more serious companies are about the development the more information they will have compiled and more interested that they will be to speak with you about issues.
- **Review Environmental Assessment documents.** These documents contain a wealth of information about the social, economic, environmental and infrastructure impacts that the proposed development will have on your RM and residents.
- **Leases.** Solution mine: a lease(s) is needed prior to any drilling taking place that is meant to prepare for mining. Conventional mine: a lease(s) can be acquired at any time up to the point when production begins.
- **Exercise Caution.** All permits are going into the first year of extension (permits expire after 8 years) so leases must be obtained to retain lands or land must be given back to the province. So, don't commit resources to a development too quickly. Even if leases are granted development does not necessarily follow immediately or ever.

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