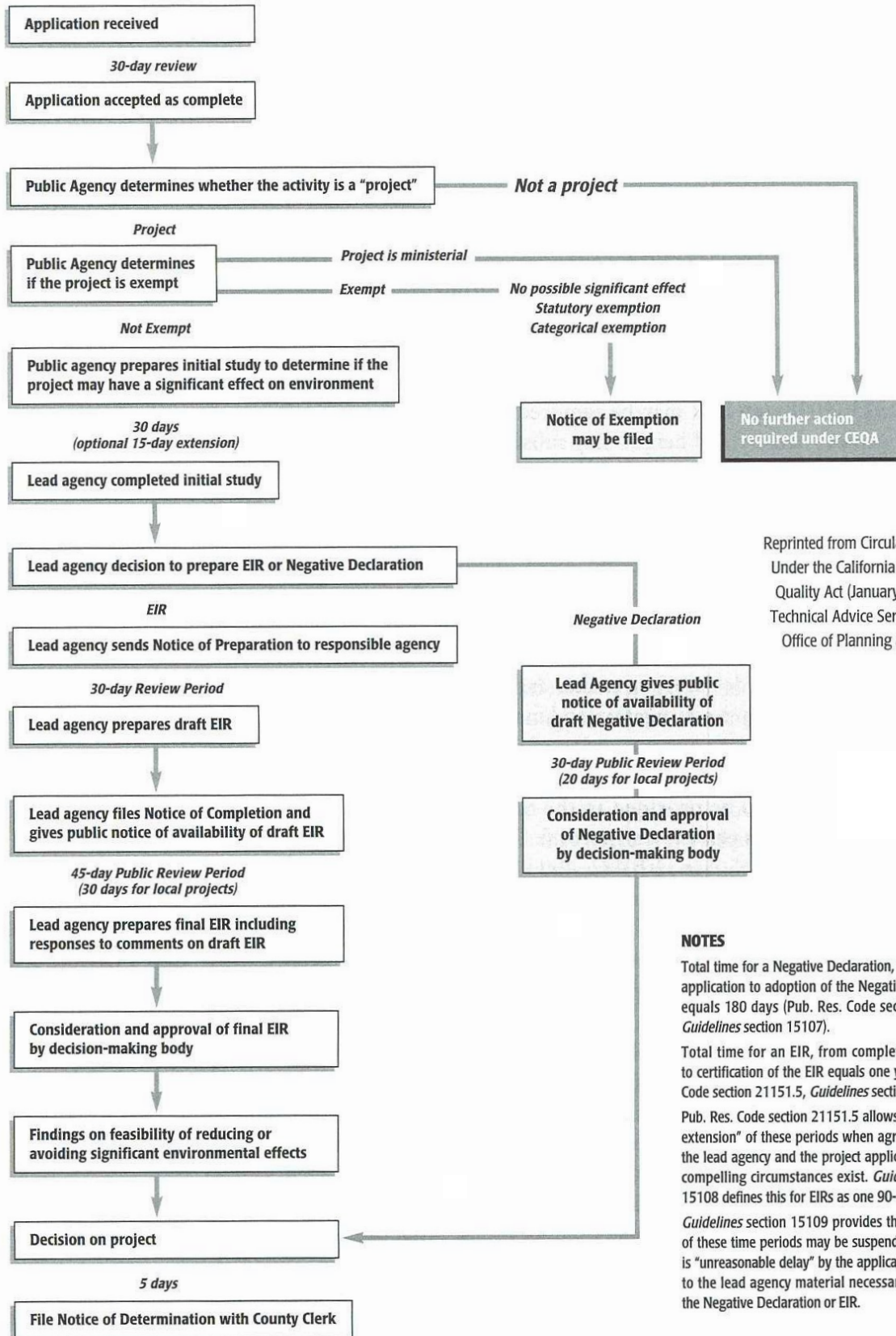


Figure B
CEQA Flow Chart for Local Agencies



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NOTES

Total time for a Negative Declaration, from complete application to adoption of the Negative Declaration equals 180 days (Pub. Res. Code section 21151.5, *Guidelines* section 15107).

Total time for an EIR, from complete application to certification of the EIR equals one year (Pub. Res. Code section 21151.5, *Guidelines* section 15108).

Pub. Res. Code section 21151.5 allows a "reasonable extension" of these periods when agreeable to both the lead agency and the project applicant, and when compelling circumstances exist. *Guidelines* section 15108 defines this for EIRs as one 90-day extension.

Guidelines section 15109 provides that the running of these time periods may be suspended when there is "unreasonable delay" by the applicant in providing to the lead agency material necessary to complete the Negative Declaration or EIR.