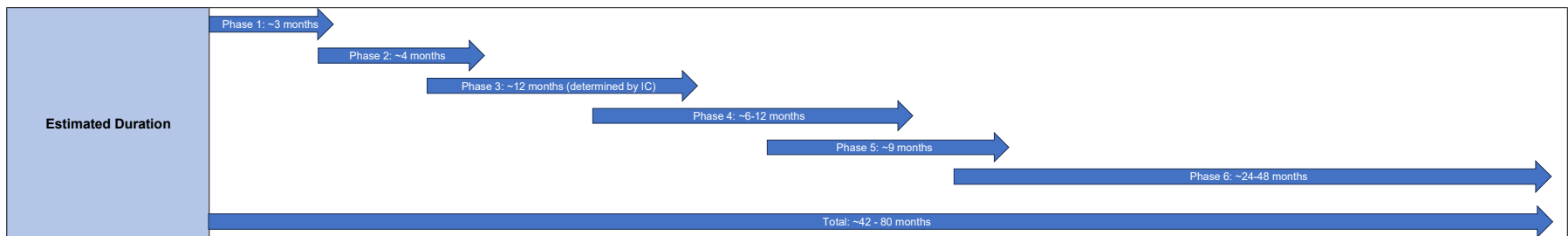


Interconnection Process

Process	Phase 1:	Phase 2:	Phase 3:	Phase 4:	Phase 5:	Phase 6:
	Discovery and Site Access	NYPA Power Allocation Application	NYISO Process	Facility Study	Developers Agreement & Asset Purchase Agreement	Engineering Procurement Construction (EPC)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fact-finding call: Customer provides project details. Programs supporting development discussed Two-way Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) executed Customer secures Project Site Control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NYPA Power Allocation Application Application submission to Business Power and Compliance: Reviewed by NNY/WNY Power Advisory Board Public Approval Steps: Trustees vote on allocation, Public Hearing, Power Contract approved by Governor's Office, Power Agreement executed Key Account Manager (KAM) Assigned Execute Cost Reimbursement Agreement (CRA); Secure Qualified Engineering Firm with NYISO experience, Engineer of Record (EOR) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prospect submits load interconnection request to NYISO Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) Non-Disclosure Agreement executed by project team members Customer demonstrates Substation Site Control to NYISO NYISO performs System Reliability Impact Study (SRIS): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study identifies Affected Systems Determines upgrades needed e.g., substation, line capacity, etc. Secure manufacturing queue for long lead equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NYPA performs Facility Study (FS) Other Transmission Owners perform Affected System Study Post security in the amount of total cost Access to line capacity is provided after the project is firm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NYPA tenders a draft Developer, Load Serving Entity and other parties review and provide comments Process continues until all comments are resolved 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developer hires an EPC firm for the project NYPA supports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EPC contract review (if needed) EPC activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design review Procurement specification review Construction oversight Testing and Commission Custody transfer Energization

Deliverables	Customer/ Developer	Site Location, Power Requirement	Site Control, Preservation Power Application (PPA), Engineer of Record (EOR)	NYISO Project Application, Study deposit	Security deposit		
	NYPA	Incentive information, Design Criteria for Developer Connection (DCDC) document, NYPA welcome package	Load Serving Entity (LSE) defined; KAM assigned		FS report, cost estimate for the interconnection, scope and cost estimate for the Affected System scope		
	NYISO			SRIS report, List of Affected Systems			
	NYPA/ Customer	NDA	Preservation Power Application (PPA) & Cost Recovery Agreement (CRA) executed	Long-lead equipment order		Developers Agreement, Asset Purchase Agreement	Punch list, Asset Transfer Agreement - execution & closeout

Estimated Cost			\$200k-\$500k	\$250-\$500k		\$35M-\$80M
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Q:**Can NYPA tell me what the status is of my System Reliability Impact Study (SRIS)?****A:**

SRIS status is available in your NYISO Portal account. NYPA does not have additional information beyond what is provided in the NYISO portal, and cannot influence progress.

Q:**We have our own engineers. Why should I hire a NYS interconnection / NYISO-experienced firm?****A:**

Hiring an engineering firm that is experienced with NYS load interconnections will help to more seamlessly navigate the NYISO process. They know what information is required, can identify major risks and fatal flaws, provide guidance on long-lead time equipment, and can mitigate potential delays in construction.

Q:**Who is responsible for the interconnection costs?****A:**

The customer is responsible for all costs associated with the new load, such as new and/or upgraded equipment required, engineering, materials, land acquisition, Load Serving Entity (LSE) and NYPA technical support.

Q:**Can NYPA tell me whether the line I want to interconnect to is capable of serving my load?****A:**

The available capacity/capability of an existing line is determined during the NYISO System Reliability Impact Study (SRIS). If available, the existing capability of the line is provided on a first firm, first-served basis. If not available, then the Study will identify upgrades the developer would need to make to serve their load.

Q:**When is a project considered firm, and ready to move to the next phase?****A:**

The project is considered firm only after the Facilities Study is complete, the developer posts financial securities with the Connecting Transmission Owner (CTO), and NYISO is informed by the CTO of the developer's commitment to move forward with the project.