Lease Of Power Privilege (LOPP) Flowchart: Dam Request Through Award of Preliminary Lease

**TIMEFRAME: 30 DAYS**

1. **Reclamation receives formal request for non-federal hydropower development on a Reclamation dam**
2. **FERC receives a notice of intent for non-federal hydropower development on a Reclamation dam**
   - **Senior Advisor, hydropower**
   - **Dam Safety**
   - **Federal Area Chief**
   - **Regional Director (RD)**
   - **Applicant**
   - **Dam Safety Office (DSO)**
   - **Reclamation**
   - **Timeframe:** 30 days
   - **Reclamation determines, jurisdiction determination is submitted to FERC**

**TIMEFRAME: 45 DAYS**

1. **Jurisdiction is awarded to FERC Development proceeds through FERC license**
   - **FERC rules on jurisdiction**
   - **Reclamation determines jurisdiction**
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**TIMEFRAME: 60 DAYS**

1. **Competitive Solicitation Process**
   - **RPM or ADM prepares and publishes solicitation for LOPP applications, requesting parties submit proposals for development, specifying required content**
   - **RPM or ADM creates a selection team to review LOPP proposals and assigns LOPP lead**

**TIMEFRAME: 150 DAYS**

1. **Applications due - 150 days after publication of solicitation**
   - **Dam Safety Office Chief advises regional director on public safety issues, work required to correct those issues, and the timeline and estimated cost for that work**
   - **Selection team reviews proposals and submits recommendation to RD**

**TIMEFRAME: 30 DAYS**

1. **Preliminary Lessee is selected**
2. **Reclamation declines to develop site - LOPP proceeds. Begin competitive solicitation process**
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9. **Selection team reviews proposals and submits recommendation to RD**
10. **Preliminary Lessee is selected**
11. **Reclamation declines to develop site - LOPP proceeds. Begin competitive solicitation process**
12. **RPM or ADM creates a selection team to review LOPP proposals and assigns LOPP lead**
13. **Selection team reviews proposals and submits recommendation to RD**
14. **Preliminary Lessee is selected**

**TIMEFRAME: 7 DAYS**

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**Acronym Key:**
- **ID:** Irrigation District
- **WUA:** Water Users Association
- **FERC:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- **RD:** Regional Director
- **PRO:** Power Resources Office
- **DSO:** Dam Safety Office
- **PMA:** Power Marketing Administration
- **RPM:** Regional Power Manager
- **ADM:** Area Office Manager