Appendix C: Proposed Policy Modification Process Visual

STEP 1. Submission of proposals (f)(1)
- Policy Modification Submissions (f)(1)(i)
  - NC-SARA collects all proposed policy modifications
  - Proposed Dates: December 1 - February 1
- NC-SARA publishes all proposals (policy cycle calendar)
  - Proposed Date: No later than February 8

STEP 2. First opportunity to amend proposals (f)(2)
- Inter-regional Compact Meeting (f)(2)(i)
  - Meet to review all proposals and identify opportunities for alignment
  - Proposed Dates: February 1 - February 28
- Notification of Opportunity for Potential Alignment (f)(2)(ii)
  - NC-SARA notifies those who have proposed modifications to same section(s) of the SARA Policy Manual
  - Proposed Date: February 8
- Public Forum (policy cycle calendar)
  - NC-SARA hosts virtual public forum for submitters to present their proposals
  - Proposed Dates: February 8 - February 15
- Deadline to amend or withdraw proposals (policy cycle calendar)
  - Proposed Date: March 1
- NC-SARA publishes all proposals that have not been withdrawn (policy cycle calendar)
  - Proposed Date: March 8

STEP 3. Public comment period (f)(3)
- Public Comment Period Opens (f)(3)(i)
  - NC-SARA opens public comment period
  - Proposed Dates: March 15 - May 15
- NC-SARA Impact Analysis (f)(3)(ii)
  - NC-SARA provides impact analysis for all proposals
  - Proposed Dates: March 15 - May 15
- NC-SARA makes all comments publicly available (policy cycle calendar)
  - Proposed Date: No later than May 22

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STEP 4. Second opportunity to amend proposals (f)(4)

Public Forum (policy cycle calendar)
NC-SARA hosts virtual public forum for submitters to present their proposals

Deadline to amend or withdraw proposals (policy cycle calendar)

STEP 5. Regional compact review (f)(5)

Regional compacts vote on approval of proposals (f)(5)(i)
Proposals approved by regional compacts provided to NC-SARA, rationale provided for any proposals not approved (f)(5)(ii)

STEP 6. NC-SARA board review and vote (f)(6)

Proposals approved by each regional compact placed on the agenda of the NC-SARA Board for a vote (f)(6)
NC-SARA Board provides rationale for any proposals not approved (f)(6)(ii)

Adopted proposals will be incorporated into SARA policy within 60 days (g)
NC-SARA provides notices to submitters of all proposals considered by board summarizing decision and rationale (h)