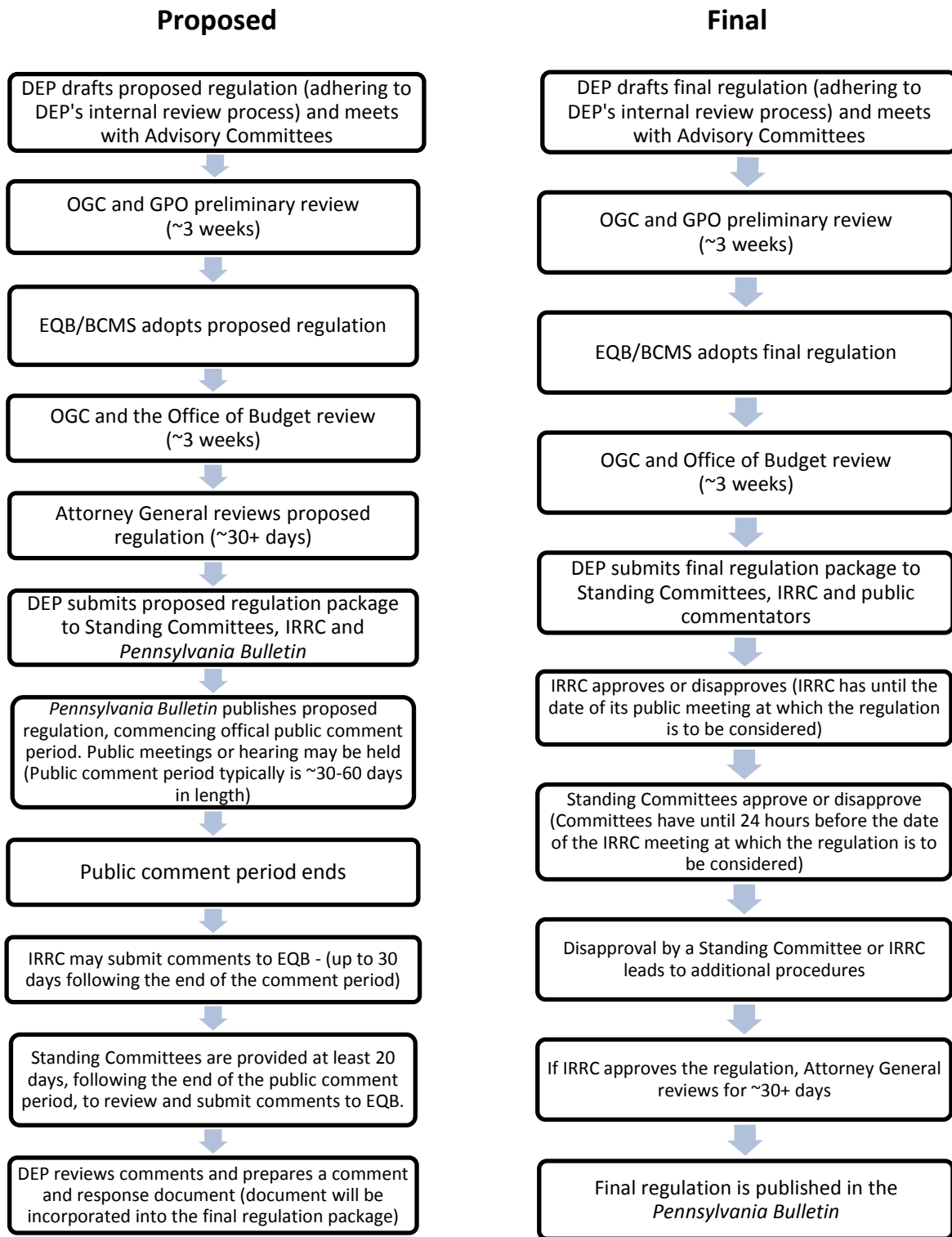


The DEP Regulatory Process

The following flowchart outlines the two-phase process for developing an environmental regulation.



EQB – Environmental Quality Board – a 20 - member panel responsible for promulgating most of DEP’s rules and regulations

BCMS – Board of Coal Mine Safety – 6 member Board responsible for promulgating DEP’s mine safety regulations

IRRC – Independent Regulatory Review Commission – Five-member panel responsible for providing independent oversight and review of agency regulations

Standing Committees – Senate & House Environmental Resources and Energy Committees

OGC – Office of General Counsel

GPO – Governor’s Policy Office