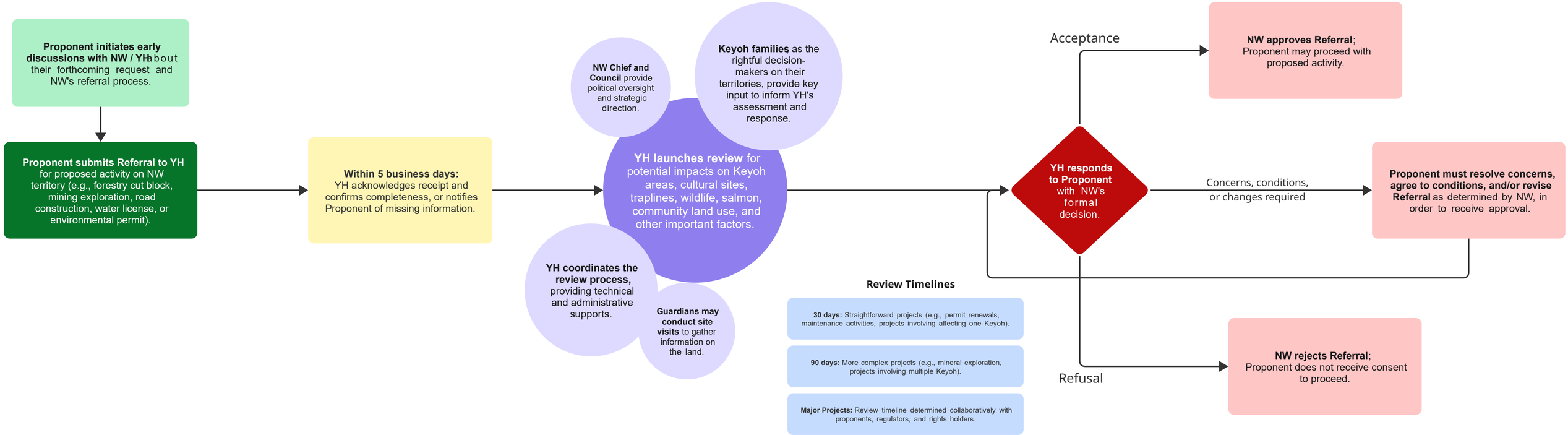
Proponent initiates early discussions with NW / YH about their forthcoming request and NW's referral process.
Proponent submits Referral to YH for proposed activity on NW territory (e.g., forestry cut block, mining exploration, road construction, water license, or environmental permit).
Within 5 business days: YH acknowledges receipt and confirms completeness, or notifies Proponent of missing information.
NW Chief and Council provide political oversight and strategic direction.
Keyoh families as the rightful decision-makers on their territories, provide key input to inform YH's assessment and response.
YH launches review for potential impacts on Keyoh areas, cultural sites, traplines, wildlife, salmon, community land use, and other important factors.
YH coordinates the review process, providing technical and administrative supports.
Guardians may conduct site visits to gather information on the land.
Review Timelines
30 days: Straightforward projects (e.g., permit renewals, maintenance activities, projects involving affecting one Keyoh).
90 days: More complex projects (e.g., mineral exploration, projects involving multiple Keyoh).
Major Projects: Review timeline determined collaboratively with proponents, regulators, and rights holders.
YH responds to Proponent with NW's formal decision.
Acceptance
NW approves Referral; Proponent may proceed with proposed activity.
Concerns, conditions, or changes required
Proponent must resolve concerns, agree to conditions, and/or revise Referral as determined by NW, in order to receive approval.
Refusal
NW rejects Referral; Proponent does not receive consent to proceed.