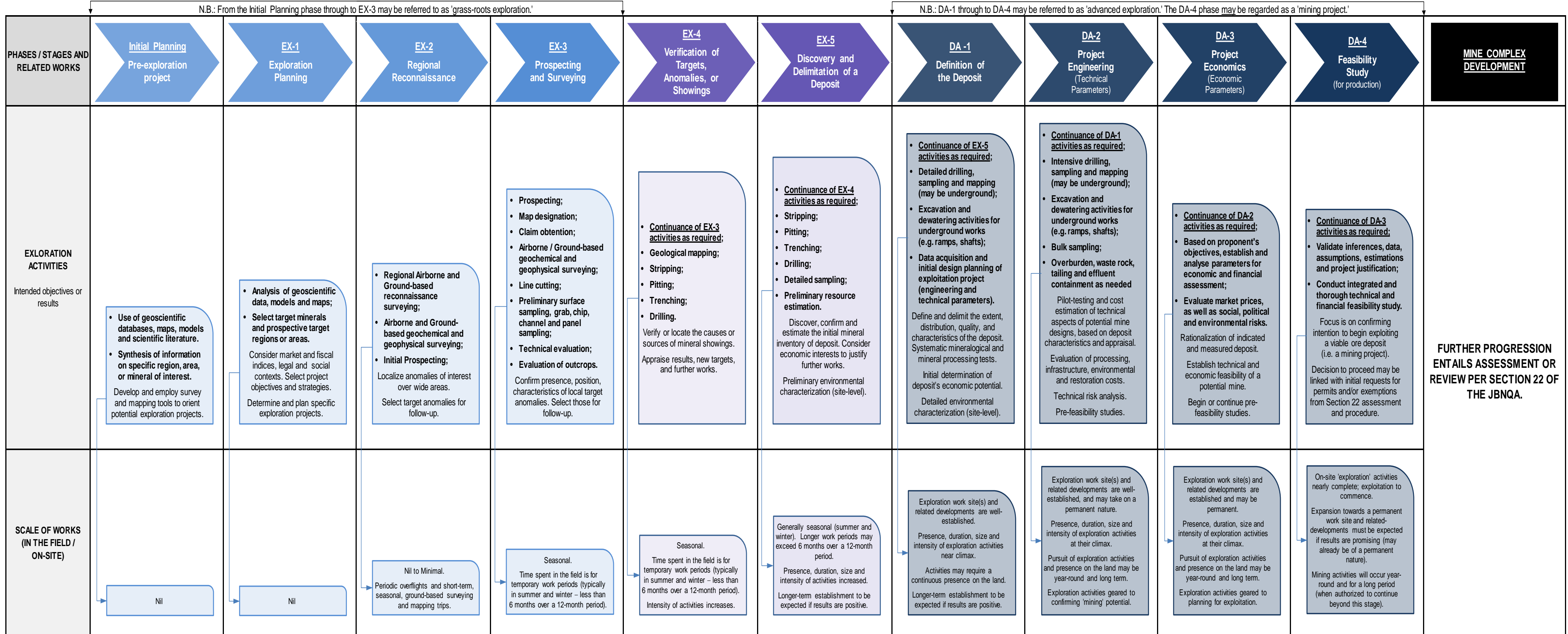


# The mineral exploration process

• Exploration activities and related works as undertaken by proponents

• **Exploration Phase** = Initial Planning Stage to EX-5 Stage  
 • **Deposit Appraisal Phase** = DA-1 Stage to DA-4 Stage



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