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Purpose: The purpose of this Best Practice is to focus on the early stages of a projects development to determine the viability of the project, the risks and mitigation strategies and prepare a design basis package.

Introduction: Front End Planning, sometimes referred to 'Front End loading' (FEL), is used in order to go through the process to identify the steps for development of sufficient information in order to prepare an execution plan, understand and address the risks such that decisions can be made on the viability, and importantly whether to commit further funds or resources. Upfront investment is required, but the resulting savings are more than worth the investment

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