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I-710 Corridor Project EIR/EIS

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Draft EIR/EIS Review Process

presented to the

Technical Advisory Committee

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Presentation Overview

- Purpose of public review
- Public agency pre-Draft EIR/EIS review
- Focus of public review
- Evaluation and response to comments
- Next steps after review of Draft EIR/EIS

Purpose of Public Review

- Share expertise
- Disclose agency analyses
- Check for accuracy
- Detect omissions
- Discover public concerns
- Solicit counter proposals

Source: CEQA Guidelines Section 15200 and CEQ Regulations Part 1503.1

Public Agency Pre-Draft EIR/EIS Review

- I-710 Funding Partners (1st and 2nd Admin Draft EIR/EIS)
- Federal Resource Agencies (2nd Admin Draft EIR/EIS)
 - Required per SAFETEA-LU 6002
 - Includes Army Corps of Engineers, Environmental Protection Agency, and Fish & Wildlife Service
- Electric Utility Providers (2nd Admin Draft EIR/EIS)
 - Southern California Edison, Los Angeles Dept. Water & Power

Focus of Public Review

- Submit written and oral comments at public hearings
- Submit written comments at any time during public review period
- Focus review and comments of Draft EIR/EIS on:
 - Sufficiency in analyzing impacts and providing mitigation measures
 - Suggesting additional alternatives or mitigation measures that would reduce impacts
 - Providing facts, assumptions, or expert opinions to support your comments
 - Identifying additional information needed to support permit approvals for project
 - Merits of the alternatives discussed in the Draft EIR/EIS

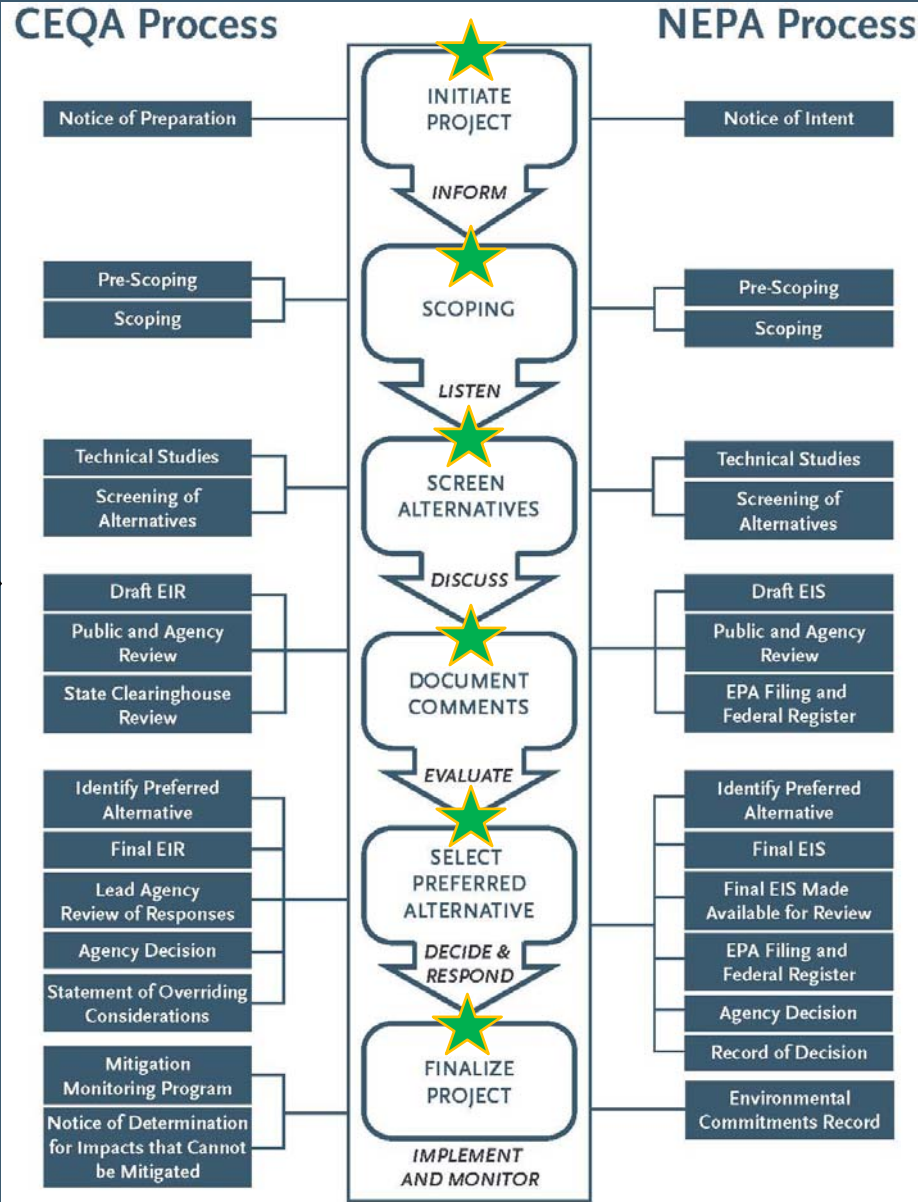
Source: CEQA Guidelines Section 15204 and CEQ Regulations Part 1503.3

Evaluation and Response to Comments

- Caltrans evaluates comments on environmental issues and provides written response in Final EIR/EIS
- Responses describe if the issue was addressed in the Final EIR/EIS and if not, why not
- Possible responses are:
 - Modify alternatives
 - Develop and evaluate new alternatives
 - Supplement, improve, or modify analyses in the EIR/EIS
 - Make factual corrections
 - Explain why comments do not warrant further response

Source: CEQA Guidelines Section 15088 and CEQ Regulations Part 1503.4

Environmental Review Next Steps



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★ Public Participation Milestones

