

# **NOTICE OF PREPARATION**



**Date:** July 7, 2020

**To:** California Office of Planning and Research, Responsible and

Trustee Agencies and Interested Parties

**Subject:** Notice of Preparation and Scoping Meeting for a Draft Program

**Environmental Impact Report** 

**Project:** 2020 LA River Master Plan

**Lead Agency:** County of Los Angeles

**Review Period:** July 7, 2020, through August 6, 2020

The County of Los Angeles (County), through the Department of Public Works (Public Works), is the Lead Agency and will prepare a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan (Project) identified in this notice. The Project description, location, and the probable environmental effects are discussed below. An Initial Study was not prepared since the County determined that a PEIR would be necessary.

We need to know the views of you or your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information that is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed Project. This Notice of Preparation (NOP) has been prepared to notify responsible and trustee agencies, the Office of Planning and Research, the County Clerk, and other interested parties that Public Works is beginning preparation of a PEIR pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for its proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan.

## **Public and Public Agency Comments**

Public Works is soliciting the views of interested persons and agencies as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be evaluated in the 2020 LA River Master Plan PEIR. In accordance with CEQA, agencies are requested to review the Project description in this NOP and provide their comments on environmental issues related to the statutory responsibilities of the agency. The PEIR will be used by the County's governing Board — the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors — when considering approval of the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan as well as any related discretionary actions.

Due to the time limits mandated by state law, all comments on the NOP are due no later than 30 days after receipt of this notice which will be 5:00 pm on August 6, 2020. Please send your comments in writing to the physical address or e-mail address shown below.

Include a return address or e-mail address and a contact name in your agency with your comments.

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### **Scoping Meeting**

Due to restrictions under State of California Executive Order N-33-20, an online scoping meeting will be held for this Project. One online scoping meeting will be held to receive comments from the public and other interested parties regarding the scope and content of the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan PEIR. The scoping meeting will include a brief presentation providing an overview of the proposed Project and the CEQA process. After the presentation, a Q&A session will be held followed by submission of oral comments by previously registered commenters. Written comment forms will be supplied for those who wish to submit comments in writing at the scoping meeting. The scoping meeting will be held as follows:

**DATE**: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 **TIME**: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**LOCATION**: Visit <a href="http://pw.lacounty.gov/go/larmpcega">http://pw.lacounty.gov/go/larmpcega</a>

### **Project Location and Background**

The proposed Project is located along a 51-mile-long, 2-mile-wide corridor (i.e., 1 mile on each side) of the LA River in Los Angeles County and spans through 17 cities and unincorporated Los Angeles County (18 total jurisdictions). The river encompasses an 834-square-mile watershed and flows from its headwaters at river mile 51 in Canoga Park within the City of Los Angeles to river mile zero at Long Beach, where the river meets the Pacific Ocean (Figure 1). The LA River was channelized between the late 19th and mid-20th centuries to protect lives and property from flooding as the LA region rapidly grew and transformed to a largely urbanized area. Today, 1 million people live within 1 mile of the river.

#### 1996 LA River Master Plan

In 1996, Los Angeles County approved the first LA River Master Plan, which expanded the originally single-purpose flood control efforts on the river to a multi-benefit community amenity that reflects aesthetic, environmental, economic, and recreational values of residents. The 1996 Master Plan identified ways to revitalize public rights-of-way along the LA River while ensuring the continued primary purpose as a flood risk reduction facility. The 1996 Master Plan was a first step in developing an inclusive vision of shared open spaces and parks, stewardship of water resources, and safety from hazardous floods.

## **Proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan**

The LA River Master Plan Update process began in 2018 and involved numerous stakeholders. The update process has been led by Public Works and supported by several other Los Angeles County departments as well as a 41-member steering committee representing agencies, non-profit organizations, and other governmental and non-governmental entities providing input and technical expertise related to the Project's three integrated themes: water, people, and the environment. The update process also included numerous opportunities for public engagement and input on the future of the river. The Project themes of water, people, and the environment captured the 1996 Master Plan key issues, as well as other regional planning studies, and recognized that infrastructure planning cannot be isolated from equally important social and environmental needs. The Project website provides more detailed information on the proposed Project and the extensive public outreach conducted to date: http://www.larivermasterplan.org/.

## 2020 LA River Master Plan Objectives

The proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan builds on the adopted 1996 Master Plan and other regional planning studies prepared since then. It is intended to improve 51 miles of connected open space along the LA River to improve health, equity, access, mobility, and economic opportunity for the diverse communities of Los Angeles County while still providing flood risk management. The 2020 LA River Master Plan has the following nine objectives:

- 1. Reduce flood risk and improve resiliency.
- 2. Provide equitable, inclusive, and safe parks, open space, and trails.
- 3. Support healthy connected ecosystems.
- 4. Enhance opportunities for equitable access to the river corridor.
- 5. Embrace and enhance opportunities for arts and culture.
- 6. Address potential adverse impacts on housing affordability and people experiencing homelessness.
- 7. Foster opportunities for continued community engagement, development, and education.
- 8. Improve local water supply reliability.
- 9. Promote healthy, safe, clean water.

The aim of the 2020 LA River Master Plan objective number 6, "Address potential adverse impacts on housing affordability and people experiencing homelessness," is to maintain strategies for ensuring continuing housing affordability in LA River adjacent communities. Therefore, the use of "impacts" in this objective is distinct from the use of "impacts" under CEQA where, per CEQA Guidelines Section 15358 (b), impacts analyzed under CEQA must be related to a physical change in the environment.

### **Proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan Elements**

To achieve multiple objectives at potential sites along the LA River, the 2020 LA River Master Plan proposes six elements, or "Kit of Parts" categories:

- 1. Trails, Access Gateways, and Shelters
- 2. Channel Modifications
- 3. Crossings and Platforms
- 4. Diversions
- 5. Floodplain Reclamation
- 6. Off Channel Land Assets

Under each of these "Kit of Parts" categories, multiple components — including benches, bridges, platforms, trails, shelters, diversion pipes, storage facilities, terraced banks, and affordable housing — are being proposed to serve as a menu of options to provide multiple benefits at any given potential location along the LA River. Future projects/actions proposed under the 2020 LA River Master Plan would range from extra-small (XS) (1-acre or less) to extra-large (XL) (150+ acre/10+ miles) and would include implementation of these design components individually or in combination as multi-benefit projects in the future. The proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan also includes Design Guidelines for all projects/actions to be implemented to present a unified identity while promoting best practices and resiliency for the LA River corridor.

## **Program-Level Analysis, Tiering, and Later Activities**

At the time of preparation of the PEIR, design information for the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan is at a conceptual level; therefore, the environmental impacts analysis will be presented at a program level and will not include site-specific locations of any of the "Kit of Parts." In addition, at this stage, informed assumptions regarding construction and operations scenarios can be reasonably made for only select design components. Accordingly, the environmental impacts analysis for these design components will be presented in detail as analysis of "typical projects" in the PEIR while the remaining design components will be analyzed qualitatively at a high-level in the 2020 LA River Master Plan PEIR.

It is anticipated that the County or other agencies may use the PEIR in considering subsequent discretionary actions. The PEIR will serve as the first-tier analysis for later, more detailed project-specific and site-specific environmental reviews. When later activities are proposed after the PEIR is certified and the 2020 LA River Master Plan is approved, a determination will be made at that time by the agency: a) whether the activity is covered "within the scope" of the PEIR; and b) if new or worsened significant effects not previously examined in the PEIR could occur. Factors that an agency may consider in making the determination of being within the scope of the PEIR could include the geographic area analyzed in the PEIR, consistency of the later activity with the type of allowable land use, overall planned density and building intensity, and covered infrastructure described in the PEIR (CEQA Guidelines Section 15168[c][2]).

If an agency determines that a later activity is covered in the scope of the PEIR and new or substantially more severe significant impacts would not occur, no further environmental documentation would be required. If new or more severe impacts beyond those disclosed in the PEIR could occur, the agency would prepare the appropriate level of subsequent CEQA documentation needed (e.g., mitigated negative declaration, or a site-specific supplemental or subsequent EIR) and the subsequent CEQA review would focus solely

on new or substantially more severe significant effects that were not considered in the original PEIR (CEQA Guidelines Section 15168[d][2]).

## **Alternatives to the Proposed Project**

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15126.6(e), Public Works anticipates that the 2020 LA River Master Plan PEIR will include a No-Project Alternative and one or more feasible "build" alternatives to the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan. These alternatives will be refined and screened based on agency and public input and based on their ability to reduce or avoid significant environmental impacts identified for the proposed Project.

#### Schedule

Public Works expects to circulate the Draft 2020 LA River Master Plan PEIR for public review in summer 2020 and recommend for the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to certify the Final PEIR and adopt the 2020 LA River Master Plan by the end of 2020.

## 2020 LA River Master Plan PEIR Scope and Probable Environmental Effects

The purpose of the PEIR will be to disclose the environmental impacts of the proposed Project, which is the 2020 LA River Master Plan. Potential environmental effects to be examined in the PEIR are those related to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology/soils, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, hazards & hazardous materials, hydrology/water quality, land use/planning, mineral resources, noise, population/housing, public services, recreation, transportation, tribal cultural resources, utilities/service systems, and wildfire. Cumulative impacts, alternatives to the Project, and growth-inducing impacts will also be analyzed. Agriculture and forestry resources will not be analyzed in the PEIR because these resources are not present in the study area.

Where feasible, detailed impacts resulting from both short-term construction and long-term operation of elements of the 2020 LA River Master Plan will be identified in the PEIR; all elements will be analyzed at a program level, and some impacts will be identified qualitatively. A brief discussion of the anticipated environmental impacts and environmental topics that will be examined in the PEIR is presented below. Feasible mitigation measures also will be identified in the PEIR to minimize the Project's significant impacts. (CEQA Guidelines 15126.4(a))

### Aesthetics

The PEIR will describe the existing visual character of the proposed Project study area and surrounding areas, and it will identify key visual resources and scenic views. The LA River transverses a variety of communities, each with its own unique visual character on the riverfront. The river corridor is a highly urbanized area of the Los Angeles Basin, spanning through from the San Fernando Valley and eastern Los Angeles County, through Central Los Angeles, and ending at Long Beach on the Pacific coast. Except for Sepulveda Basin, Griffith Park, and Glendale Narrows, few intact natural communities of the river corridor remain within or adjacent to the river. The probable impacts of the Project include substantial adverse effects on key visual resources and scenic vistas, potential conflicts with applicable zoning, and the potential to create new sources of

substantial light or glare affecting day or nighttime views. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Air Quality

The PEIR will describe the existing air quality conditions in the South Coast Air Basin and will evaluate the impacts of the proposed Project in accordance with current South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) CEQA Guidelines. The probable air quality impacts of the Project include the potential to conflict with the air quality plan, potential to cause cumulatively considerable net increase in a criteria pollutant for which the Project region is a nonattainment area, potential to expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations, and the potential to result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Biological Resources

The PEIR will describe the existing biological resources in the river corridor across the County and 17 cities, discuss the impacts of the proposed Project on biological resources (plants, wildlife, and waters), and identify any conflicts with applicable local policies and ordinances protecting biological resources, such as impacts on protected or heritage trees. Specifically, the probable biological resources impacts of the Project include the potential to have a substantial adverse effect on either any candidate, sensitive, or special-status species or riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in State, Federal, local, or regional plans, policies, or regulations. Other probable impacts could include a substantial adverse effect on State or Federally protected wetlands through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means; substantial interference with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. Additionally, probable impacts related to conflicts with local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources or the provisions of an adopted habitat conservation plan, natural community conservation plan, or other approved local. regional, or State habitat conservation plan could occur. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Cultural Resources

The cultural resources (archaeology and built environment) analysis in the PEIR would analyze the potential impacts of the 2020 LA River Master Plan, including establishing a process for future cultural resources identification and analysis at the project level, once project-specific locations are known, to ensure compliance with CEQA. The PEIR will describe steps to establish the locations of known cultural resources; recommend research and documentation steps needed to determine significance of resources in specific locations; and establish procedures for addressing local requirements. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Energy

The PEIR will include an analysis of energy consumption and consistency of the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan with State and local plans for renewable energy and energy efficiency. Potential energy impacts include the potential to waste energy from inefficient

or unnecessary consumption of energy resources during Project construction or operation. Additionally, potential impacts could include the potential to conflict or obstruct a State or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency. The PEIR will analyze the Project's estimated consumption of energy resources, where feasible, during construction and operation, and would evaluate its consistency with State and local plans for renewable energy and energy efficiency. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Geology/Soils

The PEIR will describe the geologic and soil impacts that may affect the Project design, including seismicity, landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, and potential for expansive soils as well as paleontological resources. The PEIR will determine whether paleontologically sensitive geologic units are within the study area and will analyze the potential impacts on paleontological resources. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

#### Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The construction and operational GHG emissions in the proposed Project vicinity related to implementation of typical projects under the proposed Project will be quantified. Potential impacts related to climate change will be addressed consistent with the SCAQMD's current guidance. The proposed Project's consistency with the County of Los Angeles Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP) will also be discussed. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Hazards & Hazardous Materials

The PEIR will describe the existing conditions on and adjacent to the proposed Project study area within the County and 17 cities — including the potential for existing soil or groundwater contamination in the Project study area — and will identify hazardous impacts from both construction and operations, where feasible. Specifically, the PEIR will analyze whether the Project would create a significant hazard to the public or the environment thought the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

## Hydrology/Water Quality

The PEIR will analyze the differences between the existing conditions and the future conditions with respect to Hydrology and Water Quality. The analysis will take into consideration pollutant sources, changes in the impervious surfaces (increase or decrease), application of stormwater infrastructure (number of stormwater and dry weather runoff best management practices (BMPs), new technologies, effectiveness), and discharges into impaired waters. Specifically, the PEIR will evaluate the Project's potential to violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements that the Project could potentially degrade pertaining to surface or groundwater quality standards. Potential impacts also include the potential to substantially decrease groundwater supplies or substantially interfere with groundwater recharge. Additionally, the PEIR will analyze existing drainage patterns of the Project area and assess whether the Project will result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site, substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff that would result in flooding, create or contribute runoff water

which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems, or impede or redirect flood flows. The PEIR will analyze the risk from releasing pollutants in flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones due to Project inundation as well as the Project's potential to conflict or obstruct a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

## Land Use/Planning

A variety of land uses occurs adjacent to the LA River in the County and within each of the 17 cities. The PEIR will evaluate the compatibility of the proposed Project with neighboring areas within the 18 jurisdictions, change to or displacement of existing uses, compliance with zoning regulations, and consistency of the project with relevant local land use policies that have been adopted in land use documents in the County and 17 cities. Specifically, the PEIR will analyze the Project's potential to physically divide an established community or cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

#### Mineral Resources

The PEIR will use the California Geologic Survey's guidelines and will consult the areas known as Mineral Resource Zones to determine if the proposed Project lies within a zone(s) that contains mineral resources across the 18 jurisdictions. The PEIR will describe any identified zones and summarize the relevant information from the state mandated Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 as part of the proposed Project's regulatory setting in relation to Mineral Resources. In addition, for the County and 17 local jurisdictions in the study area, applicable general plans, municipal codes, and any other specific or land use plan will be reviewed to determine if they delineate any locally important mineral resources within the study area. The PEIR will assess whether the Project will result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and residents of the State as well as the potential to lose the availability of locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Noise

The PEIR will identify sensitive noise receptors and sources of noise and vibration in the Project area and will analyze short-term construction and long-term operational noise and vibration impacts, where feasible. The construction analysis will use established modeling methodology (e.g., the Federal Highway Administration Roadway Construction Noise Model and the Federal Transit Administration Noise and Vibration Manual), along with typical construction equipment information. Operations noise analysis will use modeling software, such as the most recent version of SoundPLAN, to identify potential distances at which inclusion of these actions could affect nearby noise sensitive receptors. The analysis will provide generalized distances at which noise from specific construction equipment would attenuate to below any thresholds of significance. The PEIR will analyze the Project's potential to generate substantial temporary or permanent

increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the Project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance or applicable standards of other agencies. Additionally, the PEIR will analyze the Project's potential to generate excessive ground borne vibration or ground borne noise levels. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Population/Housing

The EIR will address the proposed Project's potential for inducing population growth and displacing people and housing within the County and 17 incorporated jurisdictions. Analysis of population and housing along the 51-mile-long river will assess the differences between forecasts based on existing general plans of the County and 17 cities and regional growth projections. Specifically, the PEIR will assess whether the Project would induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure). Additionally, the PEIR will analyze whether the Project would displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

#### Public Services

The PEIR will determine, at a program-level, if the improved access and anticipated increase in visitors in the Project area would result in impacts on Public Services — including fire protection, police protection, schools, parks, and other public facilities — by considering response times and increased demands, as applicable. The PEIR will assess available information on the current demand for public services against any new demand that is created by Project improvements. In addition, emergency access impacts during construction and operations would be analyzed. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

#### Recreation

The PEIR will address the proposed Project's potential impact on notable recreation areas; regional, neighborhood, and local parks; trails; and other local recreational facilities and uses — such as water recreation and equestrian uses — within and near the study area across the 18 jurisdictions. Specifically, the PEIR will analyze the Project's potential to increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated. Additionally, the PEIR will analyze whether the Project includes recreational facilities or would require the construction or expansion of recreation facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

## **Transportation**

A transportation impact analysis will be prepared for the PEIR to describe the existing local and regional transportation network and to evaluate the proposed Project's construction- and operations-related traffic impacts, where feasible, for vehicular, transit, bike, and pedestrian circulation. The PEIR will analyze whether the Project will conflict with a program, plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system. The

transportation analysis for the PEIR will be conducted using a uniform approach based on the draft County transportation assessment guidelines, including application of the project screening criteria and the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) thresholds. Senate Bill (SB) 743, which replaces vehicle level of service (LOS) as the CEQA metric of significance with VMT, goes into full effect on July 1, 2020. The County has developed a draft update to the Transportation Section of the County CEQA Thresholds Guide that includes a comprehensive methodological approach to the assessment of transportation impacts, including VMT-based thresholds of significance and a process to screen out projects which will not require VMT analysis (due to their size, location, or other factors). These draft guidelines and thresholds are expected to be adopted by the LA County Board of Supervisors in June 2020, ahead of both the SB 743 implementation deadline and the anticipated publication of the draft PEIR in late summer 2020. The draft County VMT threshold is 16.8 percent below existing VMT per capita, which is more conservative than the threshold recommended by the California Office of Planning and Research or that adopted by the City of Los Angeles, both of which are set at 15 percent below existing. Considering the approach of the PEIR, including the absence of any specific sites or projects under the proposed 2020 LA River Master Plan to be analyzed in the PEIR, the County has determined that its uniform set of VMT guidelines will best serve the transportation analysis for the PEIR considering the 17 cities in the study area are in various stages of transitioning from LOS to VMT. Accordingly, the PEIR transportation analysis approach will use the County transportation assessment guidelines, including the project screening criteria and the VMT thresholds. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Tribal Cultural Resources

In accordance with Assembly Bill 52 (Govt. Code Section 65352.4), the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) and any tribes it identifies will be contacted and consulted about the presence of traditional lands or cultural places in the proposed Project vicinity; potential tribal cultural resources impacts will be identified in the PEIR. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Utilities/Service Systems

The PEIR will describe the existing utilities in the Project study area within the County and 17 local jurisdictions and will address the ability of existing and planned public facilities and service systems to meet demands generated by the project and physical impacts on public utilities — including sanitary sewers, storm drains, and solid waste. The PEIR will analyze whether the Project would require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or storm water drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunication facilities; the construction or relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects. The PEIR will assess whether the Project would result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider, which serves or may serve the Project, that it has adequate capacity to serve the Project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments. Additionally, the PEIR will analyze whether the Project would generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals and whether the Project would comply with Federal, State, and local management, and reduction statutes and regulations related to

solid waste. The PEIR will describe the existing water supply serving the proposed Project study area and will evaluate the impacts of the proposed Project on water supply at a program level, including whether the Project would have sufficient water supplies available to serve the Project. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

#### Wildfire

The PEIR will analyze the consistency of proposed improvement actions under the 2020 LA River Master Plan with current wildfire hazard programs and regulatory documents within the County and 17 cities. Specifically, the PEIR will analyze whether the Project would substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan. These impacts, and their level of significance, will be assessed in detail in the PEIR.

### Cumulative Impacts

Consistent with CEQA, this section will address the impacts of implementing the proposed Project in combination with other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future projects in the Project vicinity.

### Growth-Inducing Impacts

The PEIR will discuss the ways in which the proposed Project could foster growth in the surrounding environment; growth-related secondary impacts also will be discussed.

## Mandatory Finding of Significance

The PEIR will analyze whether the Project has the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory. The PEIR will discuss if the Project has impacts that are individually limited, but considered cumulatively significant. Additionally, the PEIR will analyze whether the Project has environmental effects which cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

### Other CEQA-Required Analysis

Additional issues to be analyzed in the PEIR include, but are not limited to, Significant Unavoidable Impacts, Significant Irreversible Environmental Change, Persons Consulted and List of Preparers, References, and technical appendices.

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