

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- Can I submit street lighting plans on Epic LA if my project was not conditioned for streetlights?
 - Projects must be conditioned for streetlights prior to submitting street lighting plans on Epic-LA. The Conditions of Approval are a requirement to be uploaded to Epic-LA.
- How can I find out if my project is conditioned for streetlights?
 - Public Works will issue a Conditions of Approval Letter (R3 Letter) along with the Approved Site Plan from the Department of Regional Planning. The R3 Letter will indicate if a project requires streetlights.
 - Prior to receiving the letter, approval from the Department of Regional Planning must be obtained and the project must be submitted to Land Development for review. Please visit <https://planning.lacounty.gov/> and <https://pw.lacounty.gov/ldd/lddservices/lddServices.shtml> for more information.
- How do I prepare a streetlighting plan?
 - Procedures and guidelines for a streetlighting plan can be accessed at <https://pw.lacounty.gov/tnl/streetlights/docs/Procedures-for-the-Preparation-of-Streetlight-Plans-by-Private-Developers.pdf>.
 - A streetlighting plan will require a stamp from each a California Licensed Civil Engineer and Electrical Engineer.
- How to submit my street lighting plan on Epic LA?
 - Using the Epic-LA portal online at <https://epicla.lacounty.gov/SelfService/#/home>, apply for a Street Lighting Plan check. The following link shows how to register an account on Epic-LA: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S76X5fjBrUk>
- When my plan review begins and what is the timeline for plan approval?
 - Typically, the turnaround time on a street lighting plan review is 16-20 working days and 24 working days for the electrical plan review. 3-4 submittals are anticipated before final approval.
- What is the timeline for annexation, if my condition of approval require annexation to the County Lighting Maintenance District?
 - If required, annexation to the County Lighting Maintenance District takes approximately 12 to 18 months to complete once all of the required documents and information is received and approved.
- What is the required deposit and how to pay?
 - The required deposits are collected for the Street Lighting Plan Check, Electrical Plan Check, and Annexation process. The deposits for the Street Lighting Plan Check and Electrical Plan Check are based on the

number of required streetlights. The Annexation deposit is based on the acreage of the project boundaries as well as the number of required streetlights.

- How is my street lighting system is designed?
 - The street lighting system will be designed as an LS-3 system using the street lighting guidelines found on our street lighting website.
- Will I be required to prepare an electrical plan?
 - All LS-3 plans will require an electrical plan.
- Who will be performing the streetlights construction? LS-1 and LS-3?
 - For an LS-1 system, the streetlight construction is done by Southern California Edison. It is the responsibility of the developer to contact and coordinate with Southern California Edison. For an LS-3 system, the streetlight construction is done by the developer in coordination with Southern California Edison for pedestal locations and service points.
- When will the CLMD pay for the operation and maintenance of the streetlights?
 - All required streetlights in the project must be constructed according to Public Works approved plans. The contractor shall submit one complete set of "as-built" plans. The lighting district can assume the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the streetlights by July 1st of any given year, provided all required streetlights in the project have been constructed per Public Works approved street lighting plan and energized and the developer or the property owner has requested a transfer of billing at least by January 1st of the previous year. The transfer of billing could be delayed one or more years if the above conditions are not met. The lighting district cannot pay for the operation and maintenance of streetlights located within gated communities.