

Public Involvement During Scoping



What is Scoping?

The process of determining the focus and content of the environmental analysis for a project is called "scoping". Scoping is an opportunity for agencies and the public to provide input on issues to be evaluated in the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS).

Comments provided during the scoping process can help the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to:

- · Identify the people and organizations interested in the project
- Identify environmental issues that may need to be analyzed in the EIR/EIS
- Identify gaps in important data and information
- · Identify potential alternatives to be considered in the environmental analysis
- Identify possible ways to reduce or avoid adverse environmental impacts

Suggestions for Effective Participation in Scoping

- · Review project information available at the scoping meeting and on the project website
- Ask questions at the scoping meeting to understand the project and the environmental review process
- Suggest reasonable alternatives that may meet the need for and purpose of the proposed project
- · Suggest measures that may help avoid or minimize potential adverse effects on the environment
- Submit written comments to explain important environmental issues that may need to be considered in the environmental analysis

Environmental Resources and Issues

Typical environmental resources and issues addressed in an EIR/EIS include:

- Air Resources
- Biological Resources
- Climate Change
- Cultural Resources
- Environmental Justice
- Geology and Soil Resources
- Hazards and Hazardous
 Materials
- Lands Use
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Paleontological Resources
- Recreation

- Transportation and Traffic
- Utilities and Public Services
- Visual Resources
- Water Resources
- Wildland Fire
- Growth-Inducing Effects

How to Submit Comments

Scoping comments will be accepted through **September 3, 2014**. You can submit comments by filling out a comment card or sending a letter or an e-mail.

- E-mail: CLTP-EIR-EIS@aspeneg.com
- Mail: Coolwater-Lugo Scoping Comments c/o Aspen Environmental Group 5020 Chesebro Road, Suite 200 Agoura Hills, CA 91301

Fax: (888) 423-2220

Project Websites:

www.cpuc.ca.gov/Environment/info/aspen/cltp/cltp.htm www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/barstow/renewableenergy/coolwater_lugo.html

