

Purpose of the Scoping Meeting

- ✓ Provide the first opportunity for public participation in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process.
- ✓ Present an overview of the environmental review/CEQA process
- ✓ Review topics anticipated to be addressed in the environmental impact report (EIR)
- ✓ Allow the public to identify environmental issues to be analyzed in the EIR

PURPOSE OF CEQA

- TO **DISCLOSE** INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS OF A PROJECT;
- TO IDENTIFY WAYS TO **AVOID OR MITIGATE** SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS;
- TO ENHANCE **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** IN THE PLANNING PROCESS; AND
- TO FOSTER **INTERAGENCY COORDINATION** IN THE REVIEW OF PROJECTS.