

PURPOSE AND NEED FOR SCOPING

Scoping is designed to assist agencies and the public in determining the range of alternatives and impacts to be evaluated in an EIR. Section 15083 of the State CEQA Guidelines authorizes and encourages an early consultation and scoping process to help identify the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in an EIR and to help resolve concerns of affected agencies and individuals.

The scoping process for the 2010 Plan involved distributing a notice of preparation (NOP) of the EIR, holding public scoping meetings, and requesting comments from agencies and individuals. These elements of the scoping process are described below.

NOTICE OF PREPARATION AND PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

On February 3, 1994, the Districts sent an NOP of the 2010 Plan EIR, as required by CEQA, to agencies and persons with potential interest in the 2010 Plan (see attached announcement). The NOP described the plan and listed key environmental issues to be addressed in the EIR. A copy of the NOP is available for review in the Districts' Joint Administrative Office in Whittier, California.

The Districts developed a mailing list to distribute the NOP and public meeting announcements (see attached mailing list). Several forums were used to publicize information on the 2010 Plan, including a public information newsletter for the 2010 Plan and the Districts' Wastewater Speakers Bureau Slide Presentation Series. Agencies and individuals commenting on the issues are listed in Table A-1.

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS AND FOCUS GROUPS

As part of the scoping process, the Districts held the following public workshops and focus group meetings on the dates and at the locations indicated:

- February 15, 1994 JWPCP, Carson (Citizens Advisory Committee Focus Group Meeting)
- March 22, 1994 JWPCP, Carson (Environmental Organization Focus Group Meeting)
- March 22, 1994 Carson Community Center, Carson (Public Workshop)

- March 29, 1994 Joint Administrative Office Boardroom, Whittier (Public Workshop)
- March 31, 1994 Progress Park Plaza Hall, Paramount (Public Workshop)

Feedback reports of the public workshops and focus group meetings are available for review at the District's Joint Administrative Office in Whittier.

The Districts and Jones & Stokes Associates conducted a general scoping meeting with agencies February 17, 1994, at the Joint Administrative Office Boardroom, Whittier. Additional meetings with the following agencies were held to discuss specific methodologies for the analysis:

- State Water Resources Control Board April 5 and July 6, 1994, Sacramento
- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board March 29, 1994, Monterey Park
- South Coast Air Quality Management District April 13, 1994, Diamond Bar
- Southern California Association of Governments March 31, 1994, Los Angeles

SUMMARY OF SCOPING EFFORTS

Issues explored during the scoping process relate to every resource area analyzed in the EIR. Appropriate comments and concerns were incorporated into the impact analysis and mitigation measures. The main issues raised by the public and agencies include:

- odor and dust control during construction and operation of the facilities;
- landscaping of facilities to provide visual improvements;
- use and hazards of chemicals;
- compliance with legislation (i.e., the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, and the National Historic Preservation Act); and
- flood protection at Whittier Narrows WRP.

Detailed information on the specific issues raised is provided in the feedback reports.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUED PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Several formal opportunities for public involvement with the 2010 Plan EIR process remain: commenting on this document and commenting on the final EIR. The Districts will conduct informational meetings to present the results of and solicit comments on the draft EIR. After these meetings the Districts will conduct public hearings on the draft EIR. Before certifying the final EIR, the Districts will also hold a public hearing, during which agencies and the public can provide additional comments.

Table A-1. Agencies and Individuals Commenting on the NOP

Agency	Author	Date
FEDERAL AGENCIES		
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Gail C. Kobetich	March 15, 1994
STATE AGEN	CIES	
California Department of Transportation	Wilford Melton	Feb. 25, 1994
California Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources	R.K. Baker	March 8, 1994
California State Water Resource Control Board	Christine Bailey	March 16, 1994
California State Lands Commission	Mary Griggs	May 18, 1994
LOCAL AGENCIES AN	D DISTRICTS	
Los Angeles County Fire Department	Paul H. Rippens	Feb. 23, 1994
Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning	John Schwarze	Feb. 28, 1994
City of El Segundo	Hyrum B. Fedje	Feb. 28, 1994
City of South Gate	Elizabeth V. Lefson	March 2, 1994
City of Los Angeles	G. David Lessley	March 8, 1994
Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation	Bertha Ruiz	March 15, 1994
Southern California Association of Governments	Arnold I. Sherwood	March 15, 1994
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	Kathleen M. Kunysz	March 16, 1994
Water Replenishment District of Southern California	John Norman	March 17, 1994
City of Cerritos	Vince Brar	April 29, 1994
ORGANIZATIONS AND IN	TEREST GROUPS	
JWPCP Citizens Advisory Committee	Focus Group Meeting	Feb. 15, 1994
Wilmington Home Owners	Jo Ann Wysocki	Feb. 15, 1994
California Archaeological Inventory, Regional Information Center	Elizabeth E. Soriano	March 9, 1994
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