

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

WHAT'S IN THIS DOCUMENT?

This document is a Draft Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Assessment (DEIR/EA), which examines the potential environmental impacts of alternatives for the Sheldon Road Interchange Improvement project located in the City of Elk Grove, California. The EIR portion of this is a recirculation of a previous EIR originally circulated in 2002. The EA portion of this document is a first-circulation, and is included in order to comply with NEPA requirements, which were triggered when the City of Elk Grove sought federal funding for the project. The EIR is being re-circulated in order to address the potential impacts from revised project design alternatives, and to address newly discovered impacts to biological resources. The document incorporates and addresses issues raised in comments received on the first circulation of the EIR. The final EIR will provide responses to comments received on this and the first circulation. The document describes why the project is being proposed, alternative methods for constructing the project, the existing environment that could be affected by the project, and potential impacts from each of the alternatives.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

- Please read this Draft EIR/EA.
- We welcome your comments. If you have any concerns regarding the proposed project, please attend the Public Workshop Date _____ and/or send your written comments to the City of Elk Grove (City) by the deadline. Submit comments via regular mail to Richard Galvin, City of Elk Grove Development Services – Planning Department, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758; submit comments via email to [rgalvin@pacificmunicipal.com].
- Submit comments by the deadline: February 13, 2005.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THIS?

After comments are received from the public and reviewing agencies, City of Elk Grove, Caltrans, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) may (1) give environmental approval to the proposed project, (2) undertake additional environmental studies, or (3) abandon the project. If the project were given environmental approval and funding were appropriated, the City of Elk Grove could design and construct all or part of the project.

For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document is available in Braille, large print, on audiocassette, or computer disk. To obtain a copy in one of these alternate formats, please call or write to the City of Elk Grove, Attn: Richard Galvin, City of Elk Grove Development Services – Planning Department, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758, Phone: (916) 361-8384.