

# SILVER LAKE RESERVOIR COMPLEX MASTER PLAN EIR CEQA Scoping Meeting Summary

SWG MEETING 11  
January 5, 2022

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# AGENDA

- Introductions
- Meeting Purpose
- Notice of Preparation (NOP)
  - Distribution
  - Public Scoping Meeting
  - Public Comments
  - Special Accommodations
- Website Updates
- Next Steps / Discussion

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# INTRODUCTIONS

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## MEETING PURPOSE

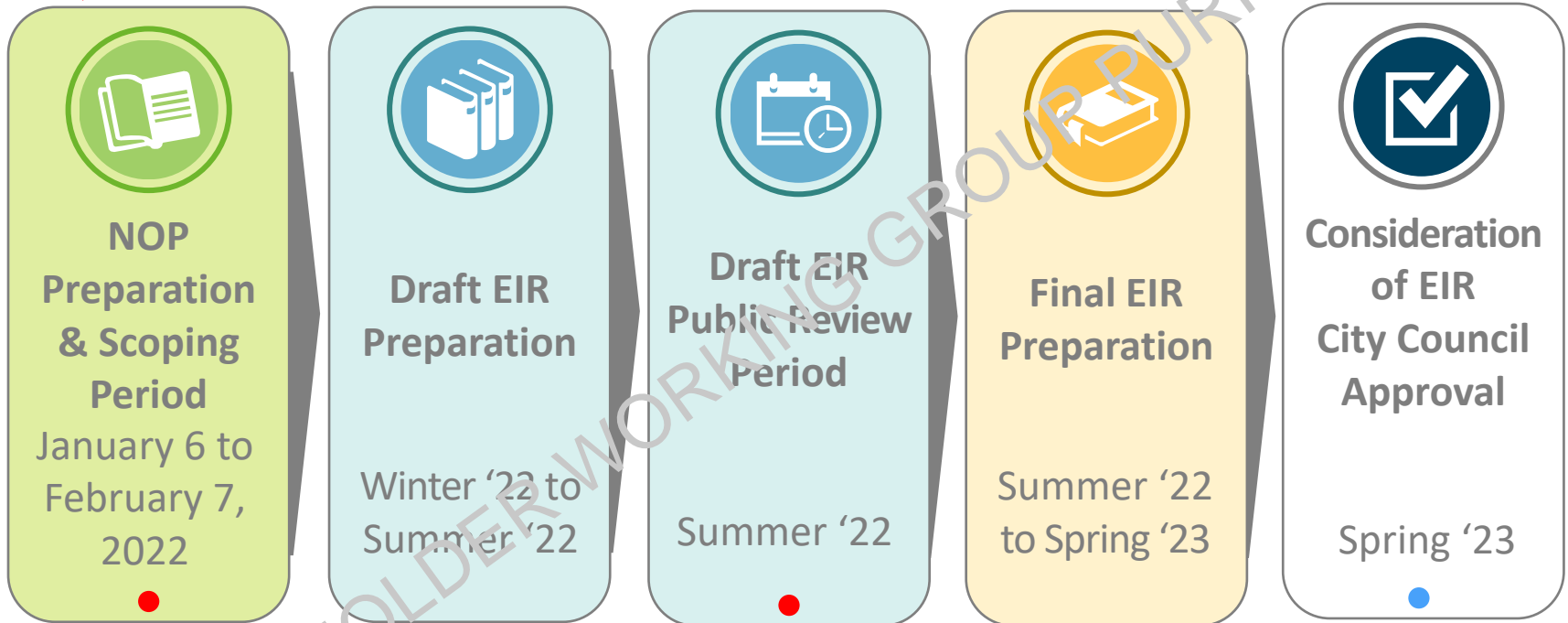
1. To inform stakeholders on the NOP process
2. Review public scoping meeting format and what to expect
3. Review public comment period

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# EIR Process

## Notice of Preparation

We are here



PROJECT SCOPING PERIOD

DRAFT EIR

FINAL EIR / EIR APPROVAL

● Public Meeting and Comment Period (30 to 45 days)

● City Public Meeting

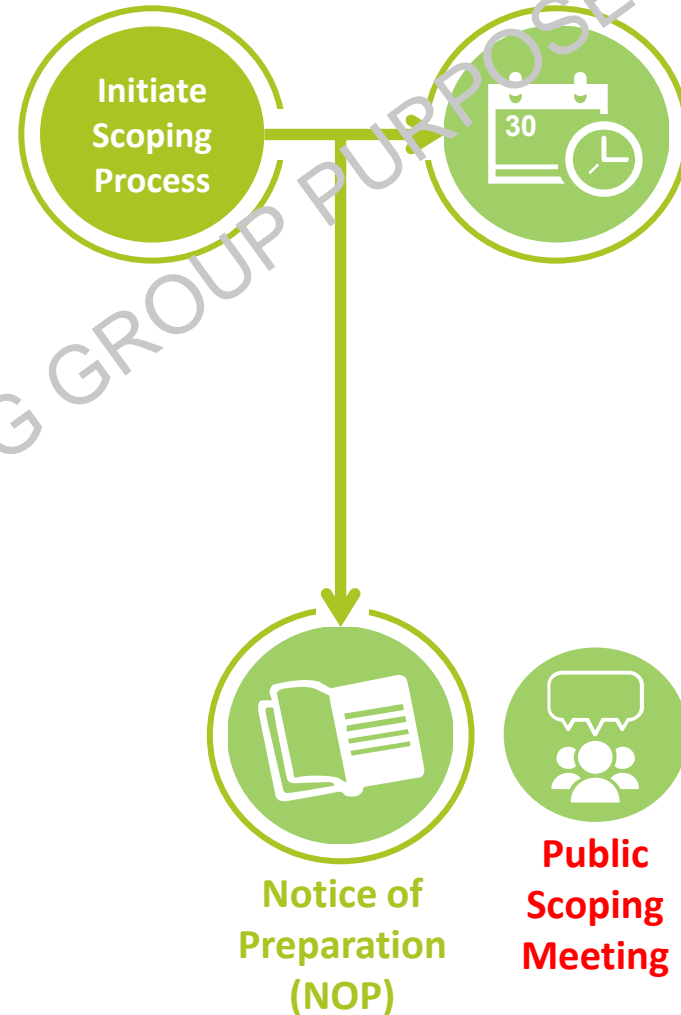
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## NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP)

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# Notice of Preparation (NOP)

- Scoping Period  
January 6 to February 7, 2022
- Notice: 3 pages
- Notifies responsible agencies and public that a Draft EIR will be prepared
- 30-day public scoping period
- Public Scoping Meeting Jan 19 (virtual)



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# NOP Distribution

- NOP will be mailed to residents and businesses within an approximate 1/2-mile radius of the SLRC (over 6,500)
- NOP will be mailed to relevant Federal, State, and Local Agencies
- Available at Silver Lake Branch Library and LA County City Terrace Library
- Newspaper Ads
  - LA Times
  - La Opinion
  - Empower LA
  - Eastsider
- Posted to project website



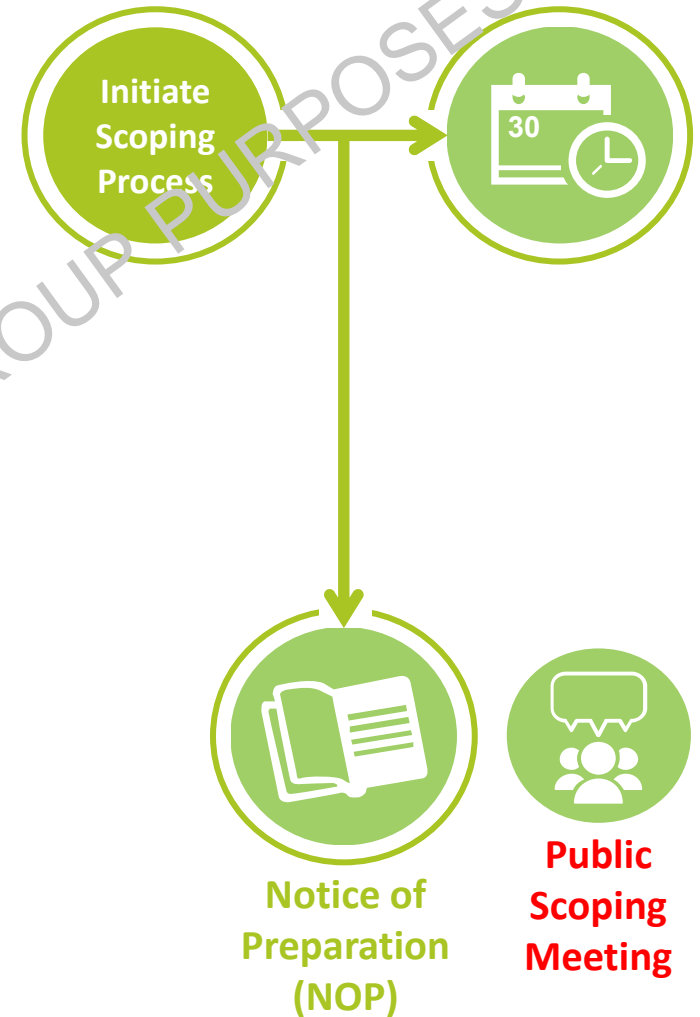
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# public scoping meeting

January 19 – 6:00pm to 7:30pm

- Purpose
  - Introduce the project to the public and interested parties / agencies
  - Accept verbal comments
- Virtual Format (zoom or dial-in)
  - Team introduction
  - Pre-recorded presentation
  - Opportunity for verbal only public comment (2 mins, raised hands, no cameras)
- Will be recorded and transcribed
- Special accommodations can be made with a 3-day notice



# public comments

**Comment period:** January 6 through February 7, 2022

## Verbal Comments

Virtual Public Scoping Meeting (Jan 19)

## Written Comments

**Mail to:** City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering  
c/o ESA- Nicolle Steiner  
626 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1100  
Los Angeles, CA 90017

**Website:** <https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/eir>

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# contact

## Scoping meeting questions or special accommodation requests

email: [eng.slrcmp@lacity.org](mailto:eng.slrcmp@lacity.org)

phone: (310) 566-8018

## Join the email list

<https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/connect>

### Connect

#### Join our email list!

To receive notifications of upcoming public meetings, comment periods, and when the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Master Plan's EIR documents are available for public review, please add your name and email address to our list using the data fields below.

\*First Name

\*Last Name

\*Email Address

Sign Up

# website updates

Master Plan documents consolidated

New EIR webpage (live Jan 6)

<https://eng.lacity.org/silver-lake-reservoir-complex-master-plan/eir>

Includes:

- NOP
- Presentation video
- Comment portal
- CEQA fact sheet

**SILVER LAKE RESERVOIR COMPLEX  
MASTER PLAN & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

**CEQA Basics**

**What is CEQA?**  
The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (1970) is a statute that generally requires state and local agencies to identify the significant environmental impacts of their proposed actions and to avoid, reduce or mitigate those impacts, if feasible, if the project is not exempt from review.

To comply with CEQA, potential significant environmental impacts of proposed development projects are often identified, analyzed and shared with the public and other agencies through the environmental review process in the form of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

**What is the purpose of an EIR?**

- Inform decision makers and the public of a proposed project's significant environmental effects and ways to reduce them.
- Describe reasonable project alternatives and design options to reduce or avoid these impacts.
- Provide the public and agencies with opportunities to comment on a proposed project and it's potential environmental impacts.

**What are the public meetings?**  
The public meetings are an opportunity for the public to review EIR documents and provide comment. The first public meeting during the scoping period is an opportunity for the public to provide comments on what should be studied. The second public meeting is an opportunity for the public to review the Draft EIR document and to provide comment on it.

**What environmental impacts will be studied?**  
There are a range of issues and topic areas that may be analyzed under CEQA.

- Aesthetics
- Agricultural and Forestry
- Air Quality
- Biological resources
- Cultural resources
- Energy Use
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards & hazardous materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use/Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities & Service Systems
- Wildfire
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

**Environmental Review Process**

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## NEXT STEPS

1. Review public comments
2. Prepare technical studies based on CEQA requirements
3. Next SWG meeting Summer 2022  
(prior to release of Draft EIR)
4. Draft EIR and Public Comment Meeting targeting Summer 2022

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