



2024 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy EIR Scoping Meeting

Butte County Association of
Governments (BCAG)

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Agenda

- Describe Regulatory Background
- Provide Project Overview
- Discuss Scope of Environmental Impact Report – Focus of this meeting



Regulatory Background



Scoping Meeting Purpose

- Inform the community and concerned agencies about the project
- Solicit input regarding the SEIR scope
- Inform the community about future opportunities for input



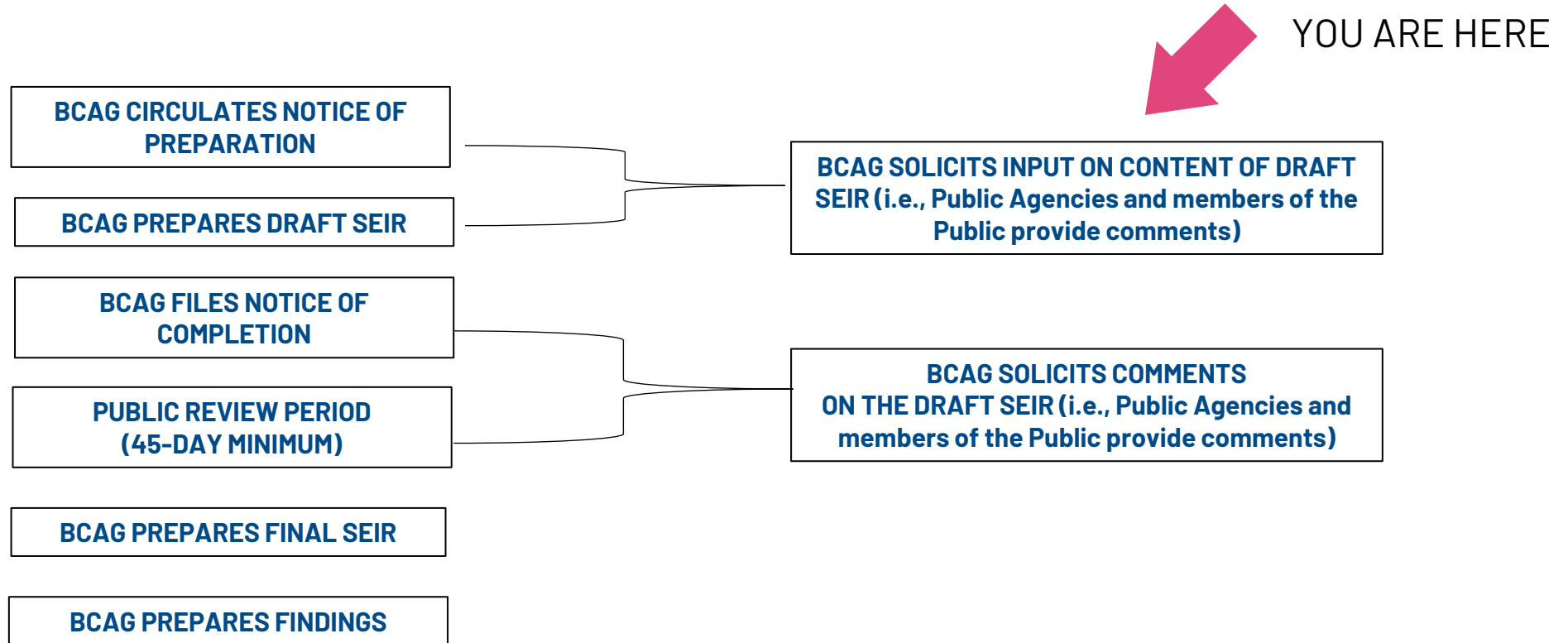
CEQA Purpose

- Disclose the significant environmental effects of proposed action
- Identify ways to avoid or reduce environmental impacts
- Consider feasible alternatives to proposed actions
- Enhance public participation in the planning process



CEQA Environmental Review Process for the RTP-SCS

CEQA PROCESS



Project Overview



BCAG RTP and SCS Project Overview

Regional Transportation Plan

- Long-range transportation planning document for the Butte County region
- Plan to meet the region's transportation goals regarding current and future mobility needs
- Addresses all transportation modes
- Guides transportation programming documents and plans



BCAG RTP and SCS Project Overview (cont.)

Sustainable Communities Strategy

- Required by State law Senate Bill 375 (SB 375)
- Plan to demonstrate how GHG reduction targets will be met through integrated land use, housing, and transportation planning
- Reduce GHG through alternative development patterns, infrastructure, or additional transportation measures or policies that result in fewer and/or shorter automobile and light truck trips
- Identify general land uses, residential densities, and building intensities based on the General Plan land use, zoning designation and housing elements of the local agencies
- Must be consistent with Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA)



SEIR Scope



SEIR Approach

- Supplemental EIR - broad, comprehensive evaluation to cover many actions, long-range plans; supplements the 2016 RTP/SCS EIR and 2020 RTP/SCS SEIR
- Focus on new projects not analyzed in the 2016 RTP/SCS EIR and 2020 RTP/SCS SEIR
- Many transportation projects are not fully designed and will require additional environmental review



SEIR Approach (cont.)

- Any future land use changes by local agencies will require additional environmental review
- The SEIR will screen which new transportation projects are likely to result in environmental impacts



Issues to Be Analyzed in the SEIR

- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Energy
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Transportation
- Wildfire

We Welcome Your Comments

- By December 11, please direct your comments to:

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Thank you!