



Citrus Valley Specific Plan

Riverside County Planning Department

Scoping Session for EIR

Specific Plan No. 400

General Plan Amendment No. 200002

Change of Zone No. 2200011

Agricultural Preserve Diminishment No. 230005

Purpose of CEQA

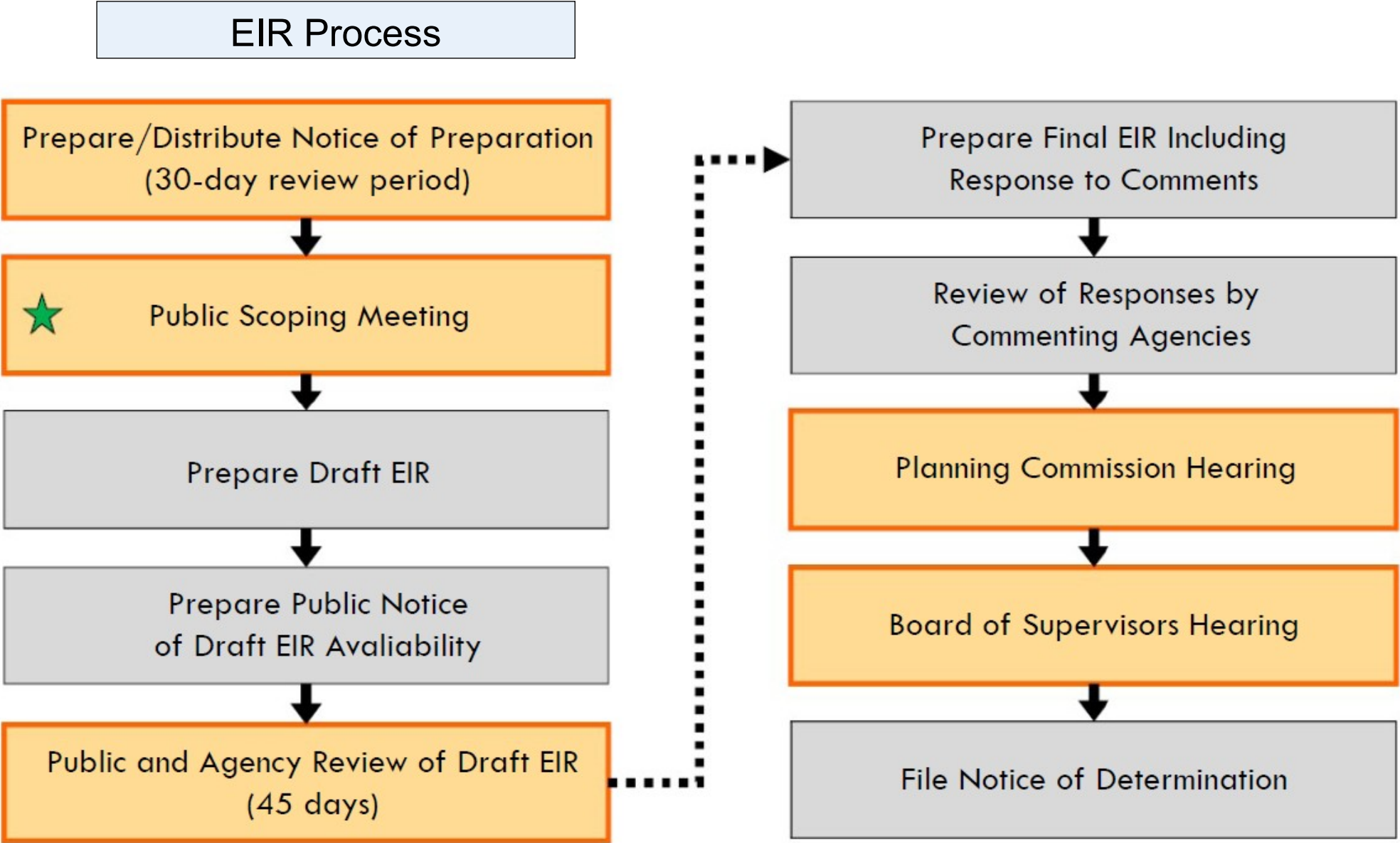
The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 was enacted to address concerns about environmental quality in the state. CEQA outlines the procedures to ensure that agencies complete an environmental analysis and disclose to the public potential environmental impacts of a proposed project.


The purpose of CEQA is to:

- 1) *Inform agencies and the public about the potential, significant environmental effects of a proposed project.*
- 2) *Identify the ways that potential impacts can be avoided or significantly reduced.*
- 3) *Prevent significant, unavoidable impacts to the environment by requiring changes to the project or use of mitigation measures.*
- 4) *Disclose to the public the reasons why an agency approved the project even if significant environmental effects would result.*

Purpose of an EIR

- An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) shares information with the public regarding a project's potential impacts
- Identifies mitigation and ways to avoid/reduce impacts
- Analyzes alternatives to the proposed project
- Fosters interagency coordination and public review
- Provides opportunity for public input
- Provides a comprehensive environmental document that serves as a guiding tool for decision makers
- Does not analyze if a project is “good” or bad”



 = Opportunities for Public Input

Purpose of the NOP

- The Notice of Preparation (NOP) notifies responsible agencies and other interested parties that an EIR will be prepared
- Solicits input regarding the scope, focus, and content of the upcoming EIR
- Distributed for a 30-day public review and comment period
- July 31, 2023 – August 30, 2023

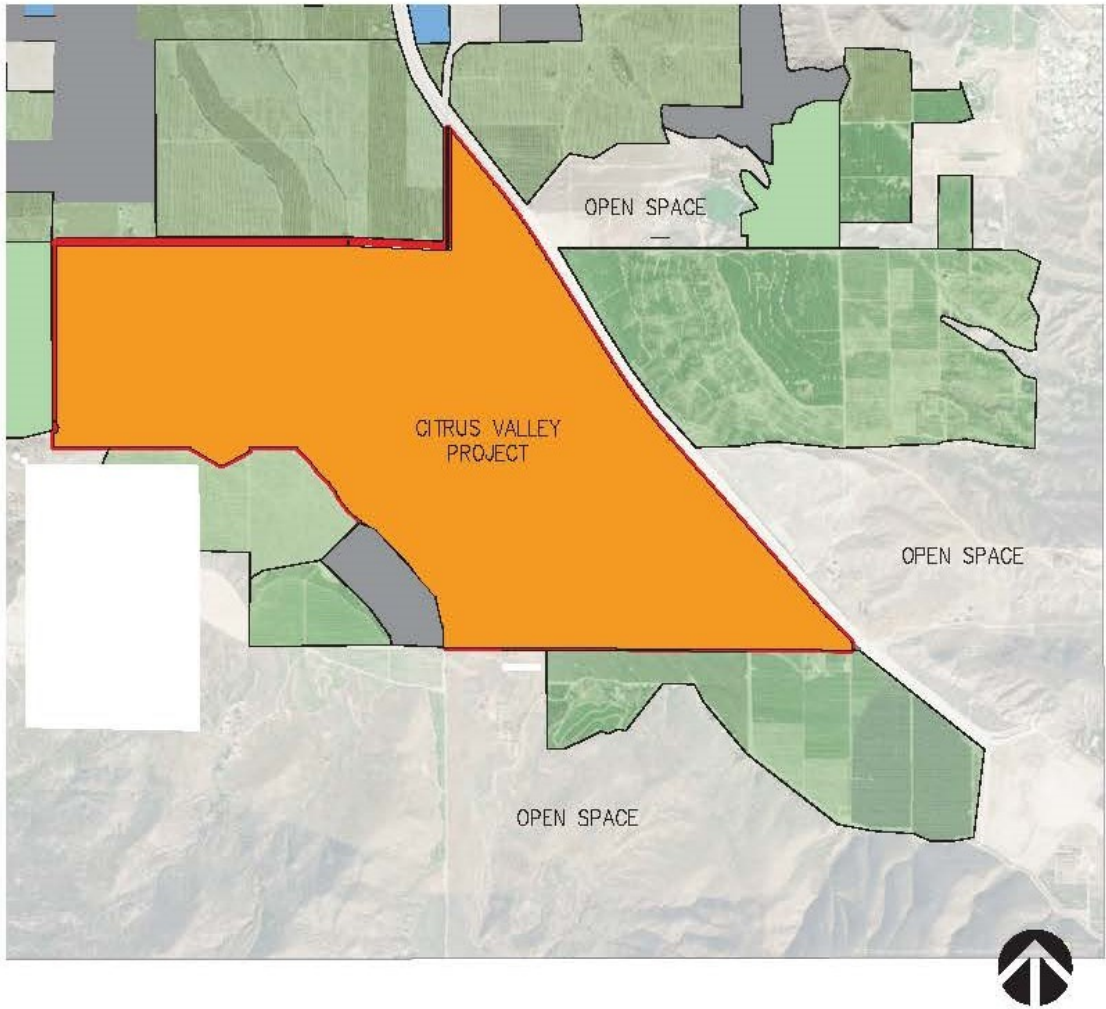
Purpose of Scoping Session

- Provide information regarding the proposed project
- Provide an opportunity for public input
- Determine the scope, focus, and content of the upcoming EIR

EIR Topics

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry
- Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology/Soils
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology/Water Quality
- Land Use/Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation/Traffic
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities/Service Systems
- Wildfire
- Alternatives to the Project
- Cumulative Impacts

Project Location



LEGEND

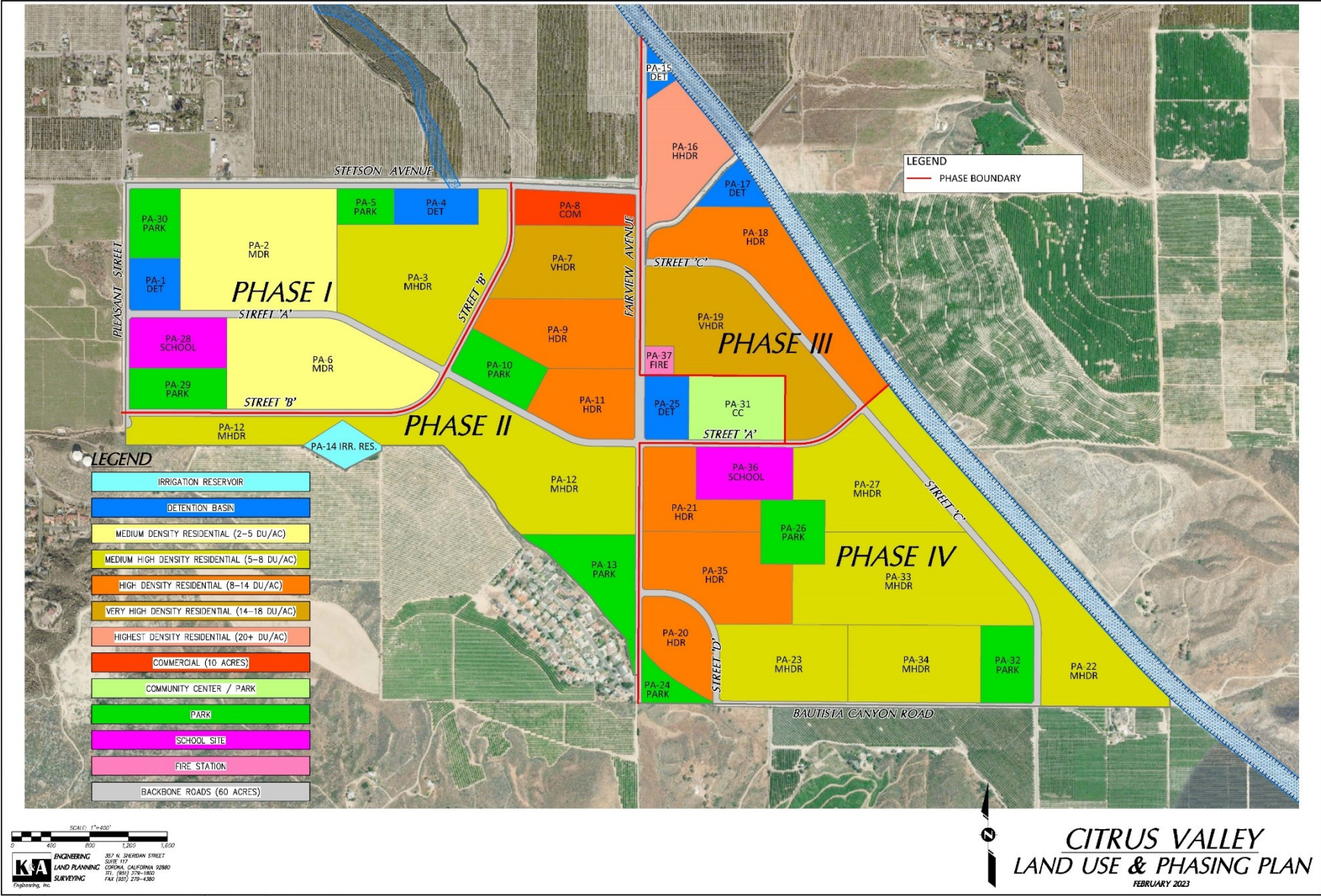
- RESIDENTIAL AREAS
- COMMERCIAL AREAS
- AGRIQULTURAL AREAS

SURROUNDING LAND USES

Existing Uses

- 767-Acre property currently planted in citrus
- Project area is a composite of the Gless and Washburn properties
- Citrus trees would be incorporated into Project Design and Historic names to be used as street references.
- Parks and trails to be landscaped in a manner that reflects historic use of the area as citrus land

Land Use Plan



NOP Comments

- Written comments to the NOP may be submitted by 5:00 PM August 30, 2023 via:
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- If you require additional information please contact Russell Brady, Project Planner, at (951) 955-3025