

# California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Review Process

There are three types of CEQA documents prepared by the Los Angeles Department of City Planning: Categorical Exemptions (CE), Negative Declarations (ND), and Environmental Impact Reports (EIR).

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MLU: Master Land Use

EAF: Environmental Assessment Form

NOD: Notice of Determination

NOP: Notice of Preparation

DEIR: Draft Environmental Impact Report

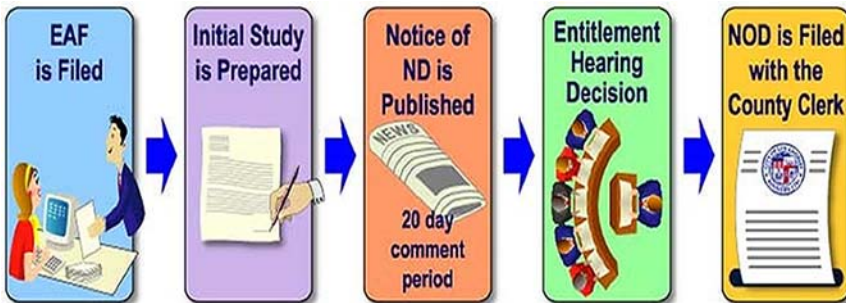
FEIR: Final Environmental Impact Report

## CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS:

If a project is Categorically Exempt<sup>1</sup> then the public counter will issue a CE.



## NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS<sup>2</sup>:



## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTS:

An Environmental Impact Report is required when a proposed project has significant environmental impacts that cannot be mitigated to a less than significant level.<sup>3 4</sup>



<sup>1</sup> See the City of Los Angeles California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines for a list of projects that are Categorically Exempt.

<sup>2</sup> Notices are published in the Los Angeles Times on Thursdays.

<sup>3</sup> Public Scoping Meetings will be held during the NOP comment period for Regionally Significant EIRs.

<sup>4</sup> All CEQA challenges must be filed within thirty days of the NOD being filed with the County Clerk.