

3.0 Environmental Analysis

This section examines the environmental setting, evaluates the potential environmental impacts, and identifies appropriate mitigation measures for each environmental issue area discussed in this Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). Cumulative impacts and the contribution to the overall cumulative effects by the four Project scenarios are in Section 4.0, Cumulative Impacts.

As discussed in Section 1.0, Introduction and Overview, the scope of this DEIR is based on completion of an Initial Study (Appendix B), along with comments received in response to the Notice of Preparation (NOP) during the scoping process, that identify environmental issues that could potentially result in significant impacts. This section of the DEIR addresses the following environmental issue areas:

- Agricultural Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural/Paleontological Resources
- Drainage/Hydrology/Water Quality
- Energy Use and Conservation
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gases
- Land Use and Aesthetics
- Noise
- Transportation/Traffic

Issues for which the Project's impacts were found to be less than significant during the Initial Study process are summarized in Section 7.0.

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