Scoping and the EIS Process

Scoping is an open process involving the public and federal, state, and local agencies that determine a range of issues, alternatives, and potential environmental impacts considered in the EIS.

SCOPING
WE ARE HERE
FALL 2020 - SPRING 2021

- **Host Agency and Public Scoping Meetings –** present and gather input on the draft Purpose and Need, Range of Alternatives, Methodology and Level of Detail for Analyzing Alternatives, and Coordination Plan
- **Issue Notice of Intent (NOI)**

ANALYSIS & PUBLIC MEETING
SPRING 2021 - FALL 2021

- **Conduct Analysis of Alternatives**
- **Analyze Alternatives for Potential Impacts**
- **Host Public Meeting –** present and gather input on Reasonable Alternatives, design schematics, and findings of environmental studies

DRAFT EIS & PUBLIC HEARING
FALL 2021 - SUMMER 2022

- **Identify Preferred Alternative**
- **Further Develop Schematic Design**
- **Host Public Hearing –** present and gather input on the draft EIS document including the Preferred Alternative

FINAL EIS & RECORD OF DECISION
SUMMER 2022 - WINTER 2022

- **Finalize the EIS**
- **Issue Record of Decision**