



Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Overview

What Does It Entail?

1. An evaluation of social, economic and environmental effects of a proposed action, including measures to mitigate adverse effects.
2. **Consideration of a reasonable range of alternatives**
3. Opportunities for public and agency engagement throughout process

What is Involved?

An EIS involves an informed decision-making process based on a balanced consideration of transportation needs, including safety, and social, economic and environmental effects.

What Topics are Considered?

- Community Cohesion
- Economic Effects
- Historic Resources
- Parks and Recreation
- Visual Resources
- Air Quality
- Noise
- Water Resources
- Threatened & Endangered Species
- Contaminated materials
- Construction effects
- Disadvantaged Communities*
- Greenhouse gases and climate change*