

Joint Operations Center Relocation Project

Public Meeting on Draft EIS/EIR



September 22, 2011

Agenda

- **Introductions - (2:00 PM & 6:00 PM)**
 - Pete Lucero/Louis Moore
- **Draft EIS/EIR Presentation - (2:10 PM & 6:10 PM)**
 - John Engstrom/Russell Grimes
- **Comment Session- (2:30 PM & 6:30 PM)**
 - Public
- **Closing Remarks – (4:00 PM & 8:00 PM)**
 - John Engstrom/Russell Grimes



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Joint Operations Center Relocation Project Presentation

Presenters: John Engstrom
Russell Grimes



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Meeting Purpose

- Present a summary of the analysis in the Draft EIS/EIR
- Receive comments verbally and in writing regarding analysis contained in the Draft EIS/EIR



Project Need

- Lease expires in June 2015
- El Camino Interim JOC does not meet essential service requirements
- El Camino Interim JOC does not meet updated safety and physical security requirements
- No future expansion space available
- Cost prohibitive to retrofit and remodel existing building



Project Goals

- Move staff from existing interim Joint Operations Center (JOC) at El Camino Avenue
- Continue to shared facilities for:
 - Bureau of Reclamation
 - California Department of Water Resources
 - Division of Flood Management
 - State Water Project Power and Risk Office
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
 - National Weather Service
 - Essential services and operations center facilities



Project Description

- Accommodate about 600 employees in approximately 200,000 square feet
- Development managed by California Department of General Services
- Approximately 16 acres of land
- Preliminary design concepts
 - one three-story building and two one-story buildings or
 - two one-story buildings and two two-story buildings

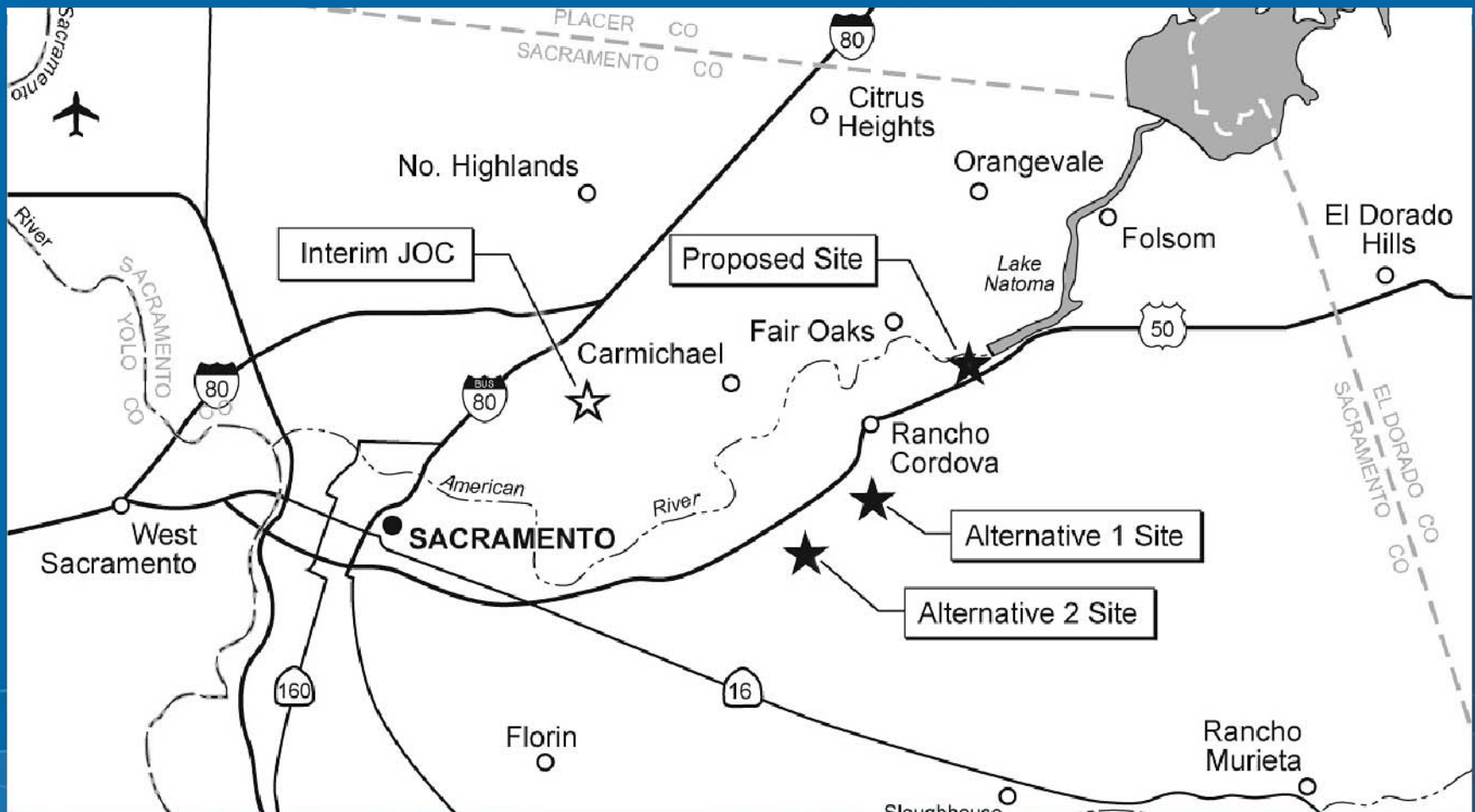


Proposed New JOC

- **Meet location, design, and development criteria:**
 - acceptable to all three agencies
 - along major road, within 25 miles of downtown (DWR headquarters)
 - access to public transportation
 - allow line of sight for specialized communications systems and equipment
 - access to reliable and redundant power service
 - provide clear space building set-back allowances (100 feet from approaching vehicles)
 - able to control boundaries and provide greater certainty of adjacent activities
 - meet State and federal sustainable siting guidelines

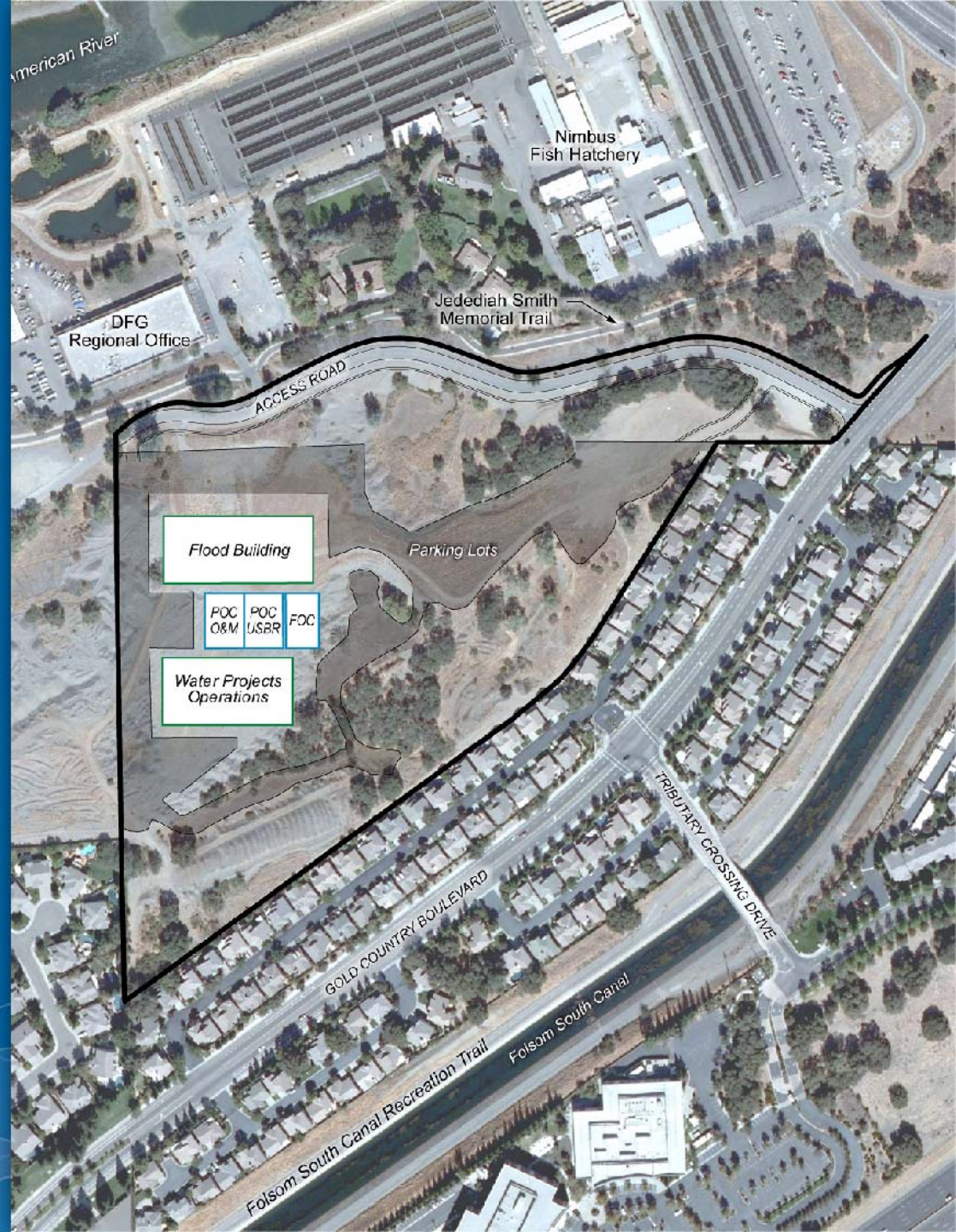


Interim Existing JOC, Proposed, and Alternative Sites



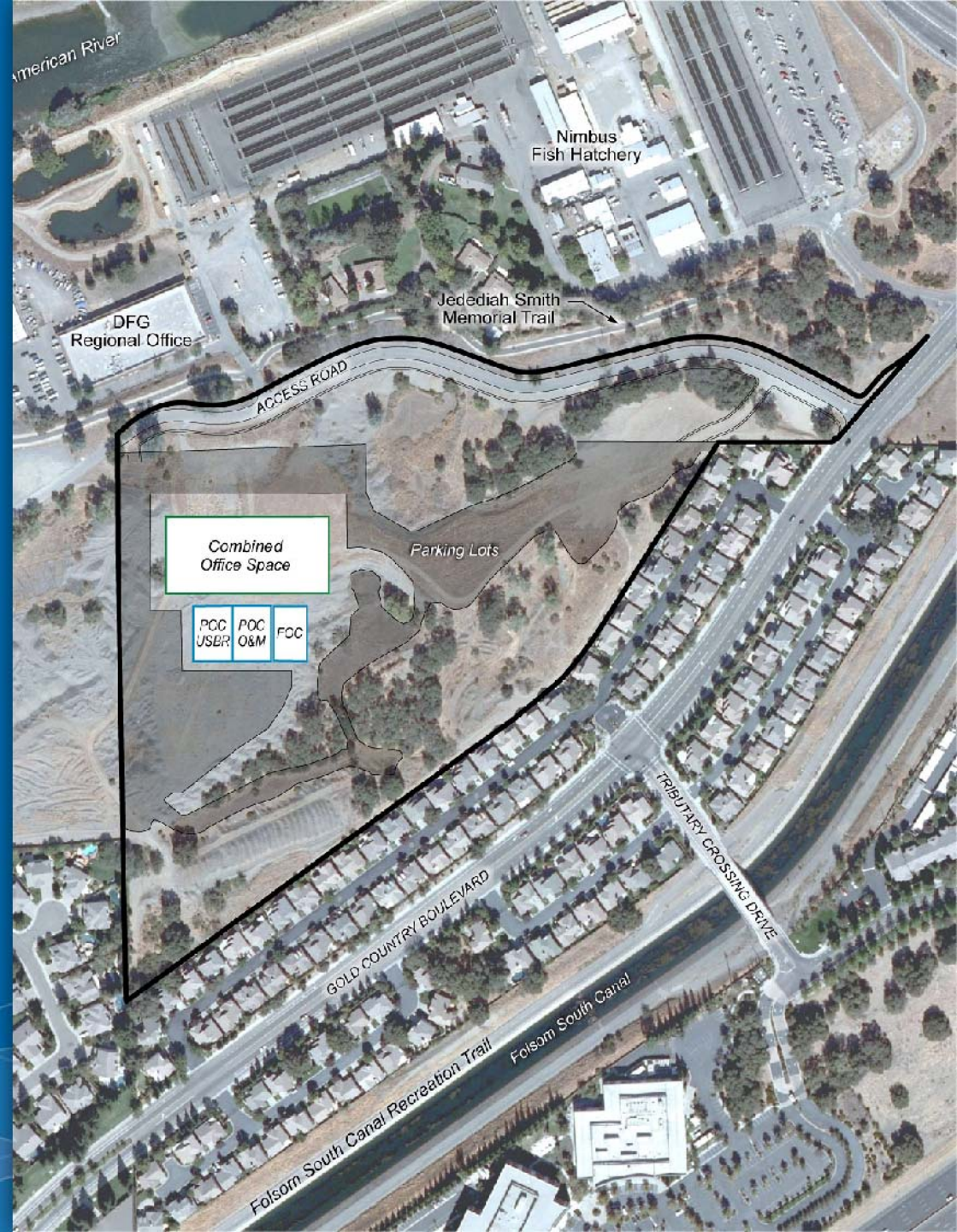
Proposed Site

- 19-acre parcel
- Land owned by Reclamation (would be leased to State of California)
- Two JOC configurations for analysis



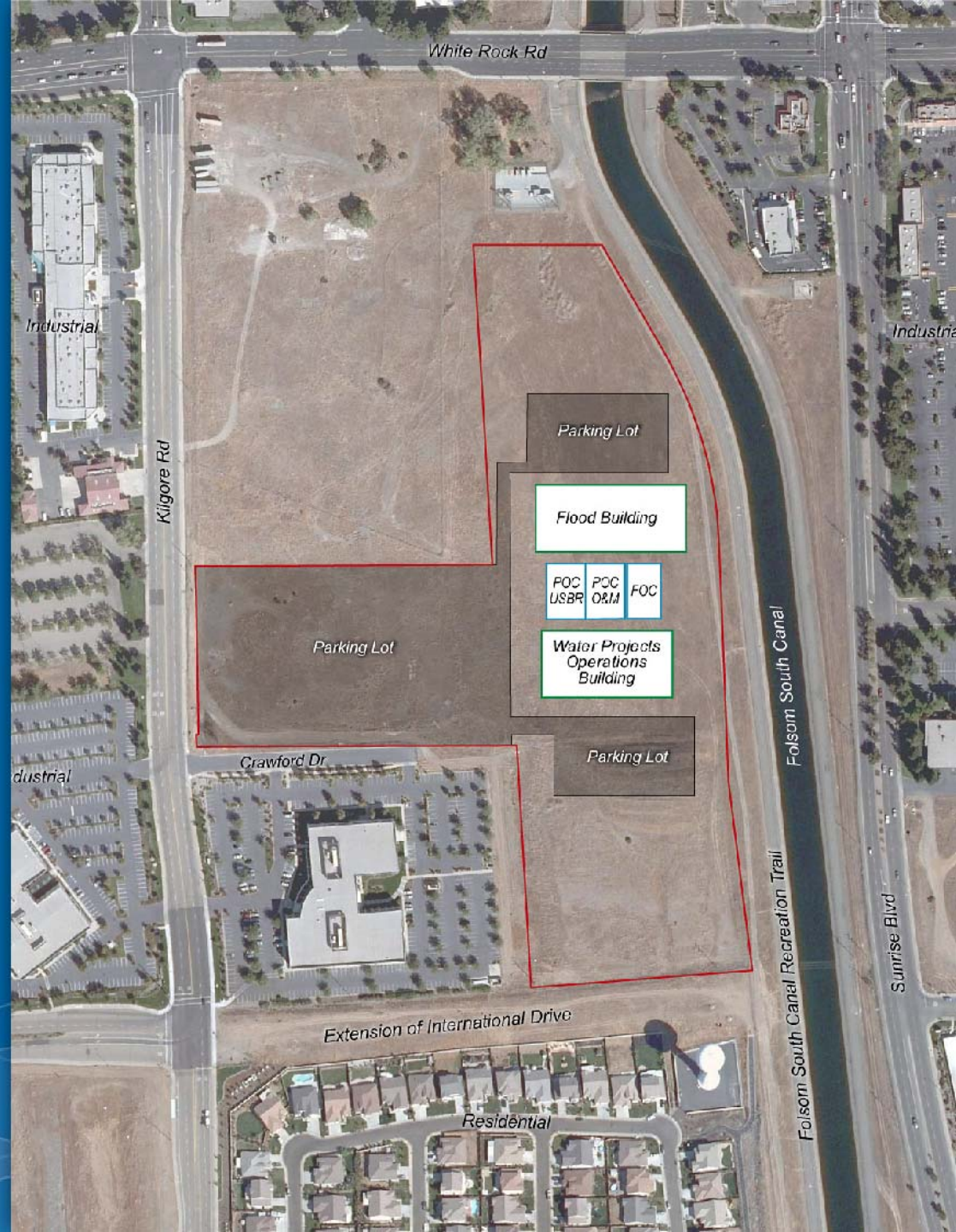
Proposed Site Configuration

- Three Story Layout



Alternative 1 Site

- 18-acre parcel
- Privately owned (competitive procurement process required)
- Undeveloped
- One JOC campus configuration for analysis



Alternative 2 Site

- Resulted from the public scoping
- 14.4-acre parcel
- Privately owned (competitive procurement process required)
- Partially developed
- One JOC Campus configuration for analysis



Environmental Analysis in the EIS/EIR

- Full-scope EIS/EIR (all required resources evaluated)
- Alternative 2 analysis incorporated by reference
- Concerns raised during scoping regarding:
 - Aesthetics/visual resources
 - Biological resources
 - Recreation
 - Flooding
 - Traffic



Summary of Impacts

Impacts were assessed over 14 individual resource categories and significant or potentially significant impacts were identified for 9 resource categories

- Air quality
- Biological
- Cultural
- Earth and paleontological
- Hazards and hazardous materials
- Hydrology and water quality
- Noise
- Public services and utilities
- Transportation and circulation



Comparison of Resource Impacts Across Sites

Significant impacts can be mitigated to less-than-significant except for:

- Air Quality - odors for Alternatives 1 and 2
- Earth and Paleontological - groundshaking for No Action Alternative
- Transportation and Circulation - traffic for all action alternatives
- Hazards – Alternative 2 is located within 2 miles of an airport

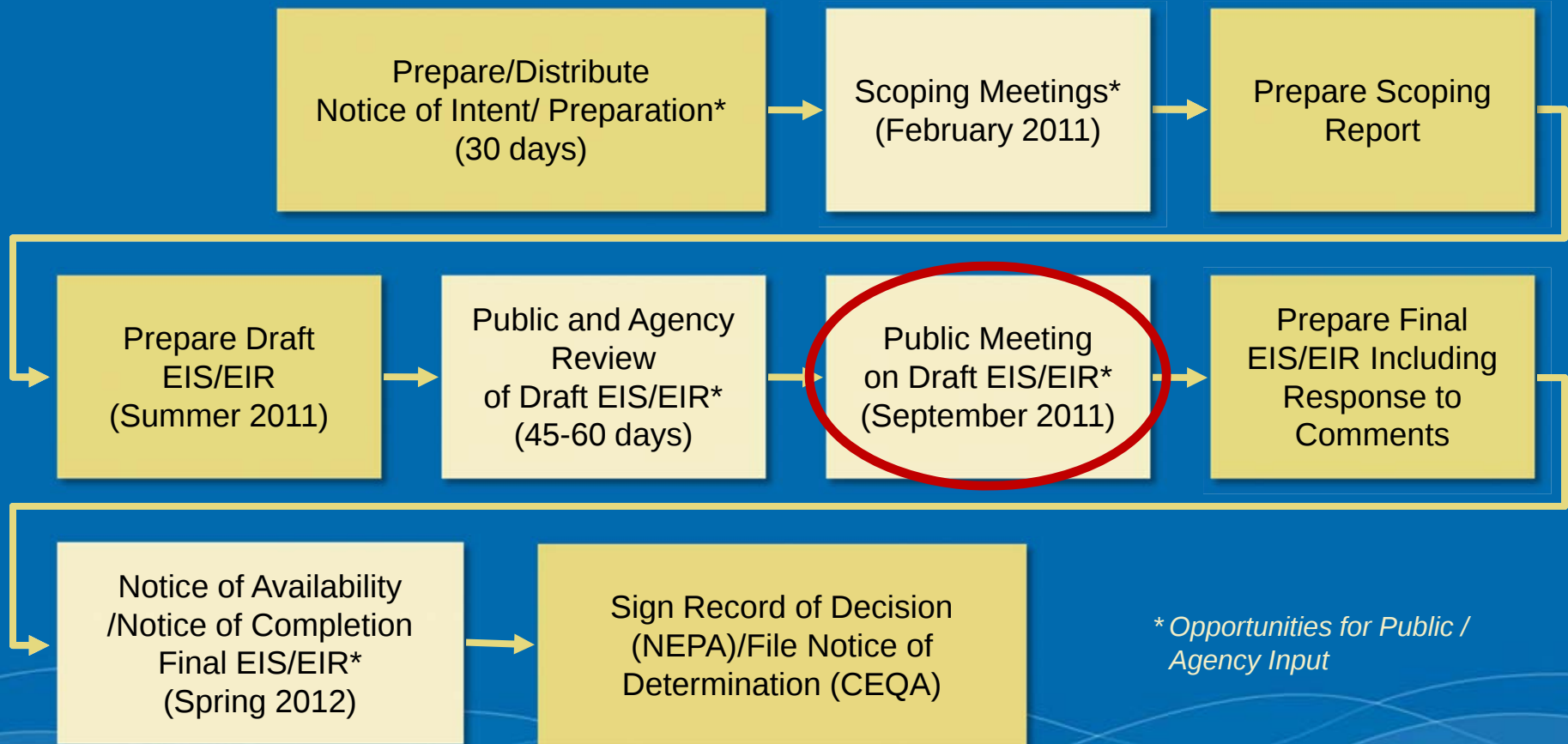


Environmentally Superior Alternative

- Environmental impacts for all alternatives are similar with Alternative 2 being considered the environmentally superior alternative because half of the short term construction impacts have already occurred and mitigation for many impacts has already been completed.



General Overview of NEPA/CEQA Process



How to Provide Written Comment

- Comment verbally or in writing at this meeting
- Submit written comments ***by 5 p.m., November 7, 2011 to:***

Bureau of Reclamation
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825
Attention: Doug Kleinsmith
Fax: (916) 978-5055
E-mail: dkleinsmith@usbr.gov

The Bureau of Reclamation and the California Department of Water Resources will be reviewing all comments provided during this period.

More information available on the project website:

www.usbr.gov/mp/cvo/joc.html



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