

City Council Comments Regarding

The Notice of Preparation (NOP)

for the General Plan Update

Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR)



CEQA AND THE NOP

14 CCR § 15082. Notice of Preparation and Determination of Scope of EIR.

- After deciding that an environmental impact report is required
- Lead agency shall send NOP to the Office of Planning and Research
- File with the county clerk

Other local agencies will be notified throughout CEQA process.

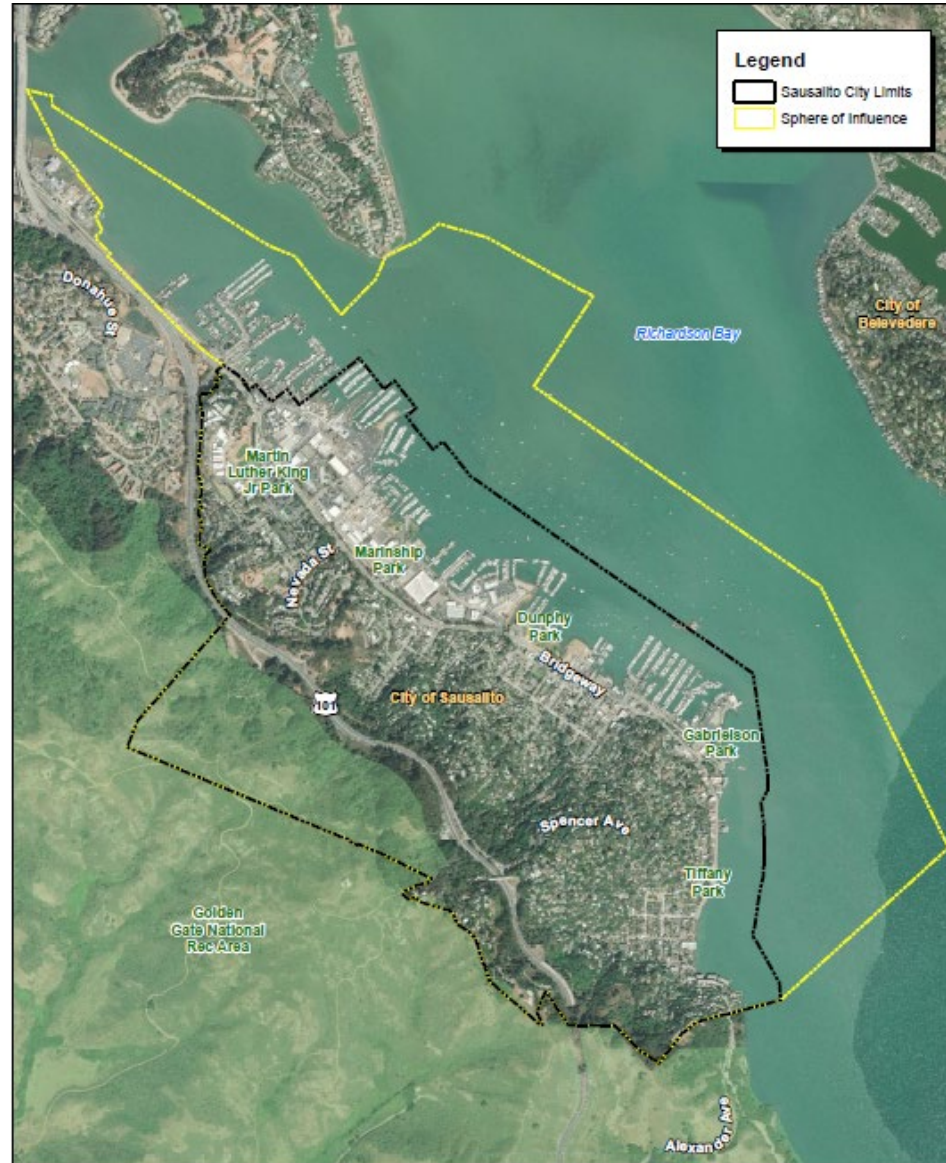


ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) defines a General Plan Update as a “project”
- Purpose is to identify potential environmental impacts, and to avoid or mitigate those impacts, if feasible
- An Environmental Impact Report is the highest level of CEQA review and provides impartial evaluation of a project’s impacts
- City of Sausalito is Lead Agency for CEQA



AERIAL MAP



SAUSALITO GENERAL PLAN UPDATE — ELEMENTS

- Environmental Quality
- Health and Safety
- Land Use and Growth Management
- Community Design and Historical Preservation
- Circulation and Parking
- Economic

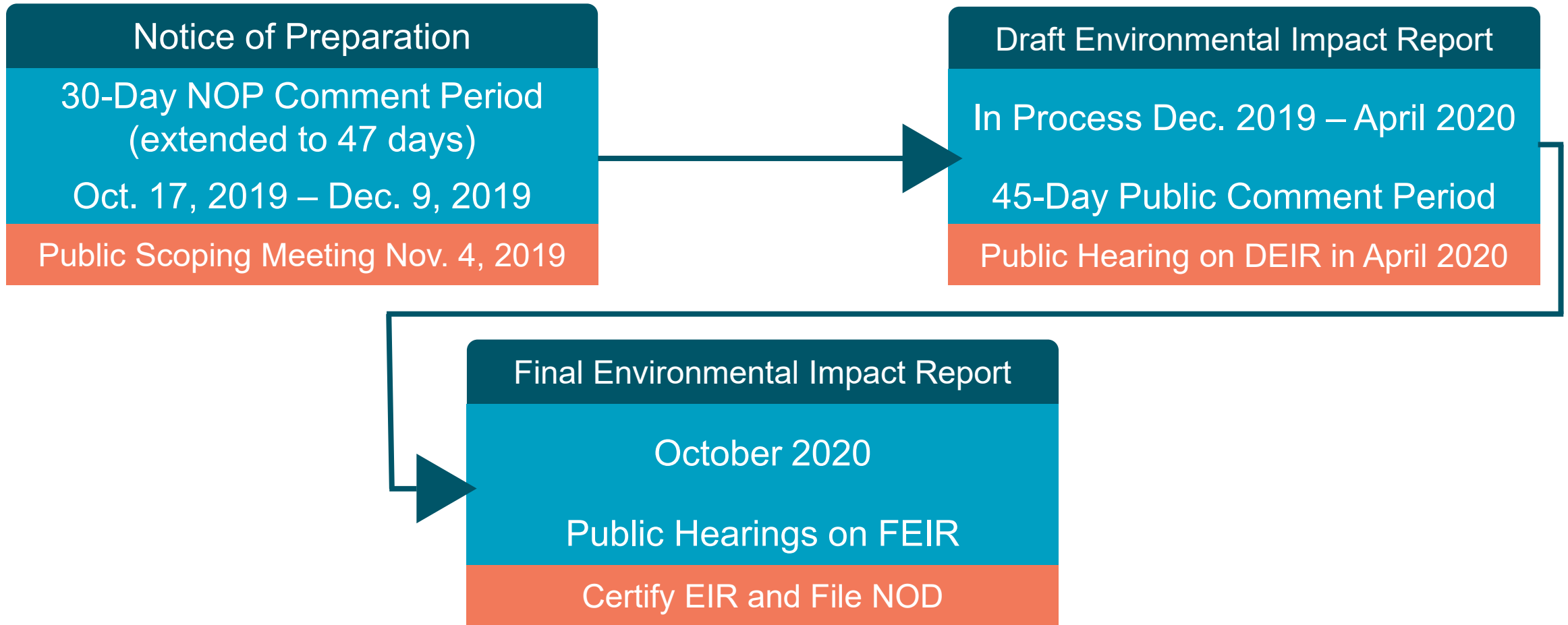


ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW TIMELINE

- **Step 1:** Notice of Preparation, 30-day Comment Period (including Scoping Meeting), Comments due November 18 (**extended to December 9**)
- **Step 2:** Release Draft EIR, 45-day Comment Period, Receive Comments, Public Hearing (**April 2020**)
- **Step 3:** Prepare Final EIR (Responses to Comments, Revisions to Draft EIR) (**July 2020**)
- **Step 4:** Public Hearing to Certify Final EIR / Approve General Plan Update (**September-October 2020**)



SAUSALITO GENERAL PLAN UPDATE EIR PROCESS



ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW TOPICS

- Aesthetics
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources/Tribal Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology, Seismicity, and Mineral Resources
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use and Planning
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Traffic and Circulation
- Utilities
- Wildfire



SCOPING MEETING

- Scoping Meeting held on November 4, comment period extended to December 9.
- Purpose of the Scoping Meeting is to allow the public to provide comment on the 'scope and content' of the EIR
- Speakers are encouraged to also provide written comments
- No decisions are made about the General Plan Update at a Scoping Meeting



PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments at this stage are generally focused on:

- Scope and content of Program EIR
- Environmental issues to be addressed
- Range of alternatives to be evaluated



PUBLIC COMMENT

- Written comments: include your name, affiliation, telephone number, and contact information
- Submit to the to the address below by 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 9, 2019:

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