



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

- Subject:** State Clearinghouse Review of Environmental Documents
- Issue:** In accordance with the CEQA Guidelines, Town procedures are necessary to identify those environmental documents that must be sent to the State Clearinghouse for review by State agencies.
- Reference:**
- Policy/Procedure:** All environmental impact reports shall be sent to the State Clearinghouse for review by State agencies. All Negative Declarations shall be sent to the State Clearinghouse unless all of the following criteria are met:
1. The Regional Water Quality Control Board and the California Department of Forestry are the only responsible and trustee agencies.
 2. The Regional Water Quality Control Board has not indicated that a Waste Discharge Permit will be required for the project and the project will not require a NPDES (for disturbance of more than five acres) or Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).
 3. The Initial Study does not identify any significant impacts on wildlife resources that must be mitigated.
 4. The Initial Study does not identify any impacts on endangered, rare, or threatened species or potential habitat for such species that must be mitigated.
 5. The project will not substantially affect sensitive wildlife habitats including riparian lands and wetlands.
 6. A CalTrans encroachment permit will not be required for the project.
 7. The Initial Study does not identify any significant traffic impacts on State highways that must be mitigated and CalTrans has not identified any potential impacts on State highways that they are concerned about or want further explanation.
 8. The project is not adjacent to Donner Lake and does not encroach into the required setbacks for the Truckee River and other major streams.

In all situations where a Negative Declaration is proposed (even if the Negative Declaration is sent to State Clearinghouse), the project planner shall forward a copy of the Negative Declaration directly to the South Lake Tahoe office of the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Effective Date: March 13, 2001

Approved by: _____
Tony Lashbrook, Director