The simplified illustration below reflects a process for review of an environmental impact report. Caltrans welcomes opportunities to consult with local agencies early and throughout their project planning.

*If requested by potential applicant, and potential project will involve issuance of a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement for use by one or more public agencies.

**CEQA Definitions:**

“Project” means an activity which may cause either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. . .” (PRC Section 21065)

“Lead agency” means the public agency which has the principal responsibility for carrying out or approving a project which may have a significant effect upon the environment. (PRC Section 21068)

“Responsible agency” means a public agency, other than the lead agency which has responsibility for carrying out or approving a project. (PRC Section 21069)