

ULURP AND CEQR

What are they and how do they work

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What are ULURP and CEQR?

ULURP

Uniform Land Use Review Procedure

- ULURP is a legally required mechanism for soliciting public input on land use approvals.
- ULURP applications are reviewed by:
 - Community Board
 - Borough President
 - City Planning Commission
 - City Council
- Mandated reviews take approximately 7 months
- Preparation for public review can take between 6 months and several years.

Environmental Review

National Environmental Policy Act

- NEPA is the legally required process by which Federal agencies analyze potential significant environmental impacts of a project's reasonable alternatives. Agencies also invite and respond to public comments.
- The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will identify a Recommended Alternative. FHWA will issue a Record of Decision (ROD) describing the alternatives, explaining its decision, and discussing mitigation and monitoring.
- May be combined with State and local mandated reviews such as SEQRA or CEQR (as in this case).
- The environmental determination must be issued prior to CPC ULURP Vote.



ULURP

UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW PROCEDURE

THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING CERTIFIES WHEN APPLICATIONS ARE COMPLETE & READY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

BOROUGH PRESIDENT & BOROUGH BOARD REVIEW APPLICATION, ISSUE RECOMMENDATION
(30 Days)

CITY COUNCIL HOLDS PUBLIC HEARING, VOTES TO ADOPT/REJECT/MODIFY PROPOSAL
(50 DAYS)

CERTIFICATION

COMMUNITY BOARDS

BOROUGH PRESIDENT

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY BOARDS REVIEW APPLICATION & HOLD PUBLIC HEARING, ISSUE RECOMMENDATION
(60 Days)

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEWS APPLICATION & HOLDS PUBLIC HEARING, ISSUES APPROVAL, MODIFICATION OR DENIAL
(60 Days)

PROPOSAL



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- Changes to the City Map
- Landfill
- Zoning map changes and zoning special permits
- Site selection for capital projects
- Acquisition of real property by the city
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Actions required for BQE Reconstruction.

The following actions are likely required for this project:

- **Changes to the City Map**

- Required if the boundaries of mapped streets or parks are changed.
- Sets exact boundaries for each category of use.

- **Site selection for capital projects**

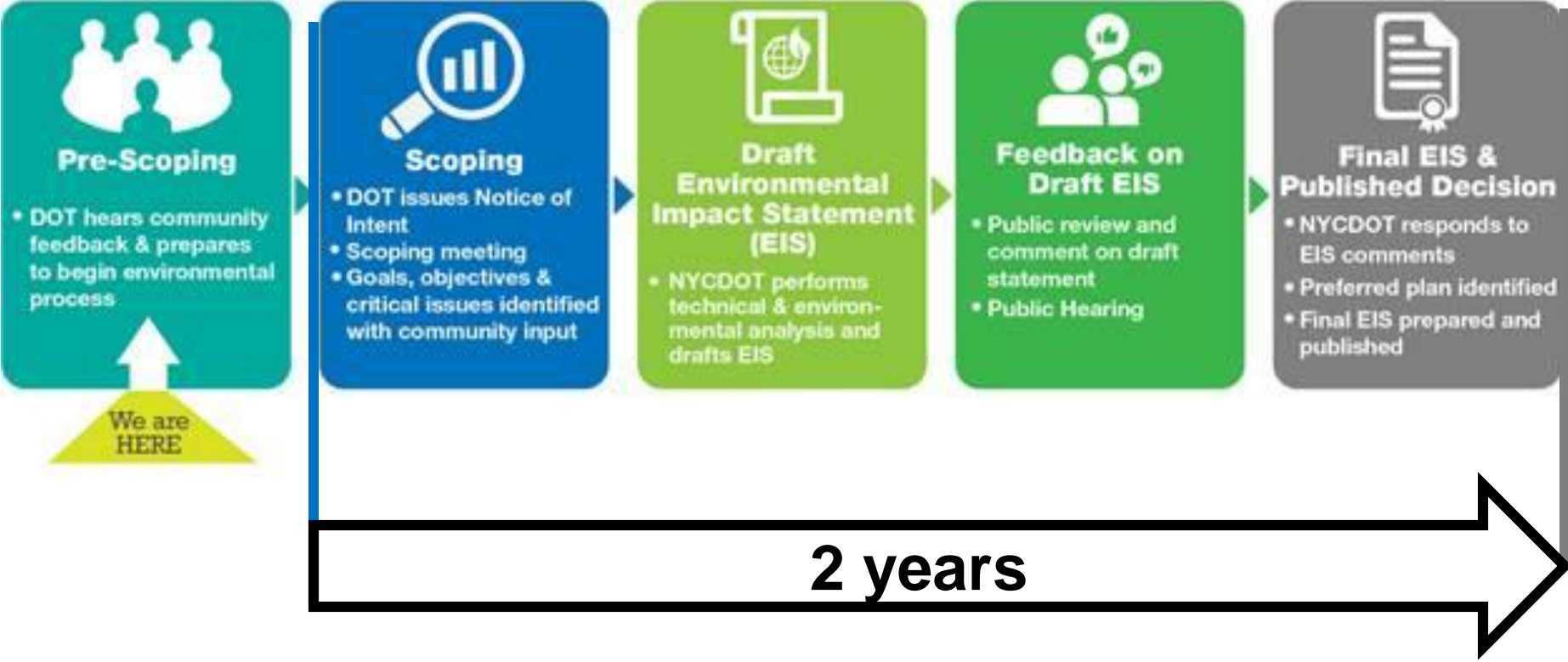
- Required if the use of public land is changed significantly or public uses are proposed on new public land.

- **Acquisition of real property by the City**

- Required if private property interests must be acquired by the City.

- ULURP typically approves detailed plans. Design-build may require innovative ways to build flexibility into the approvals.

NEPA Process



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