

### **3 Settings, Impacts, and Mitigation Measures**

CEQA Guidelines require that this Draft EIR include a description of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project, with special emphasis placed on environmental resources that are rare or unique to the region and that would be affected by the proposed General Plan. This Draft EIR must also discuss the regulatory setting and any inconsistencies that exist between the proposed General Plan and applicable general and regional plans or local, State or federal agency regulations.

The Draft EIR must also identify the possible significant environmental impacts of the proposed General Plan, as well as describe feasible mitigation measures that decision-makers could adopt in order to reduce or eliminate the identified impacts.

Chapter 3 of this Draft EIR is organized by impact issue area, and contains for each issue the physical and regulatory environmental settings, the impact identification and analysis, as well as listing the specific proposed General Plan policies that were found to reduce or eliminate potential significant impacts. Significant and unavoidable impacts are identified here and summarized again in Chapter 5, CEQA-Required Conclusions.