



Judicial Streamlining

Certification process for Environmental Leadership Development Projects and green infrastructure projects for qualifying applicants



The Governor's Office of Planning and Research manages the application process on behalf of the Governor for judicial streamlining under SB 149 (2023), which added four new categories of green infrastructure projects to the judicial streamlining program and extended the provisions in SB 7 (2021) for Environmental Leadership Development Projects.

Projects that the Governor certifies for judicial streamlining receive the following benefits:

- » Moved to the front of the line for judicial review of lawsuits filed against them under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), reducing lawsuit-related delays from 3-5 years to ~270 days.
- » Improved access to financing and more competitive for federal funding.

REQUIREMENTS

- » The CEQA lead agency must evaluate the project's impacts in an environmental impact report.
- » All applications must demonstrate to the Governor that their project satisfies applicable statutory requirements for judicial streamlining.
- » To view the requirements, visit the [Judicial Streamlining page](#) of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) website.

ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS



Small Infill Housing

(\$15 - 100 million)



Large Infill

(Residential, Retail, Commercial, Sports, Cultural, Entertainment, or Recreational)



Clean Renewable Energy Generation

(Wind or Solar)



Clean Renewable Energy Manufacturing

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS



Energy Infrastructure



Transportation-Related Infrastructure



Water-Related Infrastructure



Semiconductor and Microelectronics Manufacturing

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Submission of Draft Application for Pre-Application Review
2. Optional Pre-Application Review: Initial Assessment and Agency Assignment
3. Optional Pre-Application Review: Review of Application and Consultation
4. Finalization and Submission of the Application
5. Public Posting of the Application on OPR's Website for Public Comment
6. OPR Review of Application and Drafting of Recommendation
7. OPR Submission of Application to the Governor and Governor's Determination
8. Review by Joint Legislative Budget Committee (30 days)

TO APPLY

- » Submit draft and final applications to California.Jobs@opr.ca.gov
- » Label applications as "Draft" or "Final" in the subject line of the email.

LEARN MORE

All application materials must be formatted to meet State and federal accessibility requirements.



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