



CA Governor's Office of
**Land Use and
Climate Innovation**

CEQA Judicial Streamlining

Accelerating projects that help meet California's housing and climate goals.



To meet today's urgent climate and housing needs without compromising environmental integrity, the CEQA Judicial Streamlining Program offers a balanced solution. Managed by the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI), the program accelerates critical infrastructure projects by providing a more predictable and efficient CEQA litigation timeline — all while maintaining robust environmental review and community engagement.

Project/Application Categories

There are eight project types eligible for judicial streamlining:

Environmental Leadership Development Projects

Established by [SB 7 \(Atkins, 2021\)](#)



Infill Housing



Large Infill Mixed-Use (e.g. Residential, Retail, Commercial, Sports, Cultural, Entertainment, or Recreational)



Clean Renewable Energy Generation (Wind or Solar)



Clean Renewable Energy Manufacturing

Green Infrastructure Projects

Established by [SB 149 \(Caballero, 2023\)](#)



Energy Infrastructure



Transportation Infrastructure



Water Infrastructure



Semiconductor and Microelectronics Manufacturing

Why Apply



Expedited litigation: CEQA lawsuits resolved in ~270 days (vs. Three to five years).



Improved access to financing: More predictable timelines make projects more competitive for funding.

Eligibility Requirements

This is a summary. Each project type must meet its own requirements. For full criteria, visit the CEQA Judicial Streamlining page.

As applicable, projects must:

- Prepare an Environmental Impact Report.
- Demonstrate compliance with statutory requirements.
- Result in no net additional greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions*.
- Comply with solid and organic waste recycling laws.
- Agree to CEQA mitigation measures enforced by lead agency.
- Create high-wage, highly skilled jobs and use a skilled and trained workforce.
- Mitigate significant environmental impacts in disadvantaged communities.
- Meet additional project-specific standards.

**Housing projects may elect not to quantify their GHG emissions and may instead demonstrate consistency with the California Air Resources Board's most recent [Scoping Plan](#). Water-related Infrastructure projects must mitigate their emissions to the extent feasible.*

Application Process



Submit Interest Form



Optional Pre-Application Review



Submit Application



Public Comment Period (10 days)



LCI Review and Submission to Governor



Governor's Certification Decision



Joint Legislative Budget Committee Review and Concurrence (30 days)

Governing Legislation

- [SB 7 \(Atkins, 2021\)](#)
- [SB 149 \(Caballero, 2023\)](#)
- [AB 130 \(2025-2026\)](#)

Contact Us

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