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# **TWO BRIDGES EIS PROCESS OVERVIEW**

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#### **City Environmental Quality Review**

CEQR is New York City's process for identifying and assessing the potential impacts that a proposed land use action may have on the urban environment

#### **Environmental Impact Statement**

The EIS is a document that provides a complete analysis of the potential impacts and proposes strategies to mitigate (i.e., reduce or eliminate) them.

#### **Scope of Work**

The first step in developing the EIS is to issue a Draft Scope of Work (DSOW) that describes the proposed actions and how they will be studied. The DSOW is circulated for public review and comment; comments are incorporated (as appropriate) into the DSOW to produce the Final Scope of Work (FSOW) prior to the issuance of the DEIS





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## There are 18 categories analyzed as part of the EIS process

- Land Use, Zoning & Public Policy
- Socioeconomic Conditions
- Community Facilities (Schools, Libraries, Child Care)
- Open Space
- Shadows
- Historic Resources (Architectural)
- Urban Design & Visual Resources
- Hazardous Materials
- Water and Sewer Infrastructure

- Solid Waste and Sanitation
- Energy
- Transportation (Traffic, Transit, Pedestrians, Parking)
- Air quality
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Noise
- Public Health
- Neighborhood Character
- Construction





- 1. Single EIS for three proposed Two Bridges projects
- 2. EIS analyzes potential impacts and identifies mitigations that are mandated through legal documents

(i.e., Increased school capacity, new open spaces, etc.)

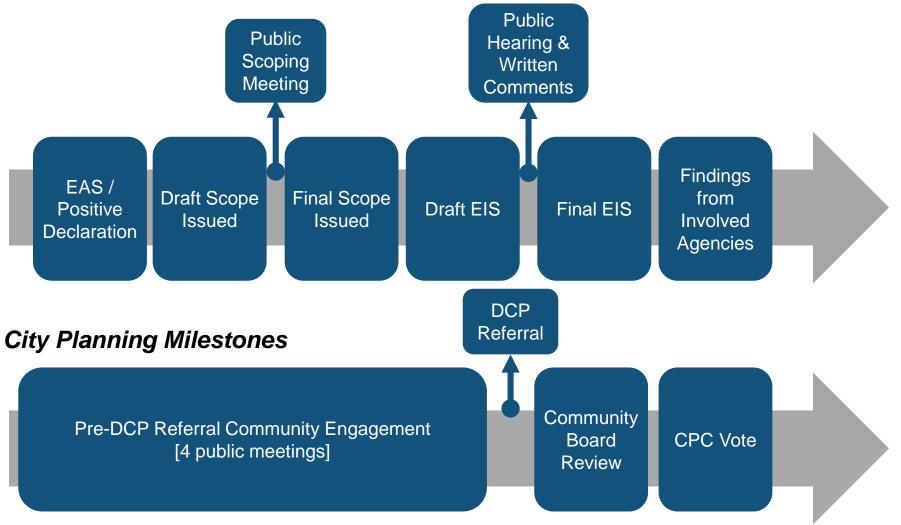
- 3. EIS Process requires two separate public hearings
- 4. For Two Bridges projects, there is a commitment by elected officials and development teams to more robust community engagement beyond EIS requirements



# **EIS and DCP Milestones**



#### **EIS Milestones**





# Meeting 1

# Kick-off: project introductions; EIS process overview; community engagement process overview

# Meeting 2

Focus areas to be discussed: urban design/visual resources; shadows, open space, and community facilities

### Meeting 3

Focus areas to be discussed: construction; transportation & transit; resiliency (not a technical EIS category)

## Meeting 4 (post-scope)

Focus areas to be discussed: anticipated impacts; potential mitigation measures

