

Approval Process for Sufism Reoriented's Land Use Application

1. **The Land Use Application (LUA) submitted to the county.** Sufism Reoriented submits its LUA to the county Department of Conservation and Development for review. The county examines the application for completeness.
2. **LUA deemed complete.** (Sufism Reoriented's LUA has not yet been deemed complete.)
3. **The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study and Review for County Requirements.** The CEQA Initial Study determines if additional action is required, recommending one of the following: Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Partial EIR, or Full EIR. The Review for County Requirements covers other county departments, e.g., Public Works, and their criteria.
4. **CEQA Initial Study 20-Day Comment Period** (if there is a State Review, the comment period extends to 30 days). Notices are sent by the county only to those immediately adjacent to the project site.

During this comment period, the SCA will hold Community Meeting #3 to present the CEQA Initial Study and County Requirement Review and to receive community comment. The SCA will not be notified when the study period begins and will be in constant contact with the county to learn as early as possible. At that point Community Meeting #3 will be scheduled quickly. We advise checking the SCA Website frequently for this notice or providing your contact information on the front of this form and we will notify you.

5. **SCA Letter of Response.** Following a review of all input from the county and the community, the SCA board of directors will send its official Letter of Response to the county.
6. **CEQA Initial Study Response/Comments and Staff Report sent to the Planning Commission.** Staff include in their report all submitted public responses on the CEQA Initial Study and provide a comment or answer to each of these responses. Often CEQA Initial Study responses and the Staff Report are not made available until the Planning Commission Hearing.

Notice of the scheduled Planning Commission hearing will be sent to all parties within 300 feet of the project site and also to those who have requested notification from the county. Copies of the Staff Report will be available to the public.

7. **Planning Commission Hearing.** Open to public.
8. **Approval, Approval with Conditions, or Disapproval by the Planning Commission.**
9. **Staff Report on the Planning Commission Hearing.** The staff records what occurred at the Planning Commission Hearing and issues its report in 45 days. This is what the Board of Supervisors will respond to if an appeal occurs.

If there is an appeal...

10. **Appeal.** Appeals by the applicant or other parties may be filed at this time.
11. **Board of Supervisors hearing** (if there is an appeal). Open to the public.

