

**An Introduction to CEQA and CESA Workshop
A Basic Overview**

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Course Outline and Schedule

Day One (November 12)

California Endangered Species Act (CESA)

Morning Session Presented by:

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Afternoon Session Presented by:

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9:00 – 9:15 a.m.	Introduction and Opening Remarks
9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Laying Ground Work: History and Structure of CESA, and the Listing Process
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Morning Break
10:45 – 11:45 a.m.	The Complexities Snow Ball: “Take” under CESA, Take Authorization Generally, and Incidental Take Permitting
11:45 – 12:00 p.m.	Questions and Group Discussion
12:00 – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch

1:15 p.m.	Afternoon Session CESA Permitting
3:15-3:30 p.m.	Afternoon Break
3:30-4:30 PM	Afternoon Sessions Continues- CESA Permitting

Day Two (November 13)

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Day Two and Three Sessions Presented by:

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8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Introduction and Overview of the Day
8:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Start from the Very Beginning: Basic CEQA Context, When CEQA Applies (what is a project), Statutory and Categorical Exemptions
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 – 11:30 a.m.	How do I know what document I need? Negative Declarations, Mitigated Negative Declarations, and Environmental Impact Reports
11:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Process and the Product: What do these reports need to cover? How does a document make its way in the world?
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch Break
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Where the Rubber Meets the Road: Impacts and Mitigations. What is meant by “significant.” What makes a mitigation work?
2:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Break
2:45 – 4:00 p.m.	CEQA and HCPs – looking at a few case studies.
4:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Group Discussion and Q&A

Day Three (November 14)

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

8:30 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

Overview of the Day –This day will be structured based on questions and areas of interest from Day One and Day Two. We will also discuss the following:

- Bumps in the road – what slows the process down?
- What is happening in the Courts?
- What other laws/regulations commonly interact with CESA/CEQA?