

WHAT IS SCOPING?

Scoping

It is the first step in the EIS process. Scoping provides notice to the public and other agencies that an EIS is being prepared, and initiates their involvement in the process.

Scoping provides an opportunity for the public and agencies to comment on the proposed action, alternatives, and impacts to be discussed in the EIS. Scoping helps to focus the EIS by identifying environmental issues and areas of concern.

The comments received during the scoping period are reviewed and then used to focus the scope of the EIS. The EIS evaluates the significance of the identified potential impacts.

What Makes for a Good and Useful Comment?

Remember that the goal of submitting a comment is to identify the issues to be evaluated in the EIS. To do this, your written comments should:

- Be relevant to the proposed project
- Be clear, concise, and specific
- Provide recommendations for the EIS



Please Provide Us with Your Comments

Fill out a comment form and drop it into the comment box tonight

OR

Written comments must be received or postmarked by April 3, 2009 in order to be considered in defining the scope of the EIS.

Written comments should be submitted to:

Garfield County Public Works
300 19th Street
PO Box 160
Pomeroy, WA 99347-0160
Attn: Walter (Grant) Morgan, P.E.