

1.5 How to Use the UC CEQA Handbook

The Handbook contains a UC CEQA Process flow chart that outlines the sequence of steps to be followed to comply with CEQA. The chart provides a graphic overview of the different environmental documents and the key review and decision points in the process. The Procedural Section describes in detail compliance with these same steps. Chapter 2 should be consulted for all procedural matters.

Campus planners and their consultants should use the UC Handbook as a guide for preparing UC environmental documents. They should also refer regularly to CEQA Statutes and Guidelines for additional explanation; links to CEQA Statutes and Guidelines are included throughout the *UC CEQA Handbook* to facilitate consultation. The procedures and substantive approaches described in the *UC CEQA Handbook* should be followed unless, through consultation with the Offices of the President and General Counsel, it is decided that there is reason not to adhere to the method(s) described.

For assistance in interpreting any part of this *UC CEQA Handbook*, please contact the Planning Design and Construction Office <http://www.ucop.edu/facil/pd> in the University of California Office of the President.