

**I-81 VIADUCT PROJECT**  
**CHAPTER 6**  
**SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND ENVIRONMENTAL**  
**CONSIDERATIONS**

This chapter describes the social, economic, and environmental effects of the alternatives and identifies their beneficial and adverse effects. Where adverse effects are identified, the chapter describes measures to minimize or mitigate them.

This chapter is divided into several sections and sub-sections as follows:

- Section 6-1: Introduction;
- Section 6-2: Social Considerations;
  - Section 6-2-1: Neighborhood Character;
  - Section 6-2-2: Social Groups Benefited or Harmed;
  - Section 6-2-3: Environmental Justice;
- Section 6-3: Economic Considerations;
  - Section 6-3-1: Land Acquisition, Displacement, and Relocation;
  - Section 6-3-2: Local and Regional Economies;
- Section 6-4: Environmental Considerations;
  - Section 6-4-1: Historic and Cultural Resources;
  - Section 6-4-2: Parklands and Recreational Resources;
  - Section 6-4-3: Visual Resources and Aesthetic Considerations;
  - Section 6-4-4: Air Quality;
  - Section 6-4-5: Energy and Climate Change;
  - Section 6-4-6: Noise;
  - Section 6-4-7: Water Resources;
  - Section 6-4-8: General Ecology and Wildlife Resources;
  - Section 6-4-9: Asbestos;
  - Section 6-4-10: Hazardous Wastes and Contaminated Materials;
  - Section 6-4-11: Farmlands;

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- Section 6-5: Short-term Uses of the Environment versus Long-term Productivity;
- Section 6-6: Irreversible and Irretrievable Commitment of Resources; and
- Section 6-7: Adverse Environmental Effects That Cannot Be Avoided.