
CHAPTER 28: IRREVERSIBLE AND IRRETRIEVABLE COMMITMENT OF RESOURCES

Under the Proposed Action, both natural and man-made resources would be expended in the construction, renovation, reuse, and operation on development sites within the Project Area. These resources include vegetation removed from sites without being replaced; construction materials; energy consumed during construction and operation of buildings; fossil fuels used in motor vehicle and construction equipment operation; the human effort required to develop, construct, renovate, and operate various elements of projected and potential developments; and the capital investment and operating funds necessary for building design, construction and operation. These are considered irretrievably committed because once used they can not be recovered. These resources, however, are not considered to be in limited supply, and their use by the Proposed Action would not adversely impact the availability of such resources for other projects in the city, both now and in the future.

The construction projected under the Proposed Action would also require the irreversible and irretrievable commitment of energy, construction materials, human effort, and funds. The Proposed Action would also result in the increased consumption of energy. This, however, is not significant energy consumption or a significant adverse impact.

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