

8. Statutory Requirements

To formalize the administrative EIA system, the EIA Ordinance was enacted in 1997 and became operational since April 1998. The Ordinance requires a list of Designated Projects, including major urban development and redevelopment projects, to conduct mandatory documentation and public consultation. These major development and redevelopment projects are listed under Schedule 3 of the EIA Ordinance and they are regarded as SEA in many developed countries. Details of the EIA Ordinance is posted on EPD's website <http://www.info.gov.hk/epd/eia>.

Schedule 3 of the EIA Ordinance

Major Designated Projects Requiring Environmental Impact Assessment Reports

1. Engineering feasibility study of urban development projects with a study area covering more than 20 ha or involving a total population of more than 100,000.
2. Engineering feasibility study of redevelopment projects with a study area covering more than 100,000 existing or new population.

Examples of EIA Reports for Development Plans under the EIA Ordinance Since 1998

http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia/tc_chi/register/aeiara/all.html

Project	Date of Approval
Pak Shek Kok Development	Aug 1998
Tsuen Wan Bay Further Reclamation - Area 35	Nov 1998
Planning & Engineering Feasibility Study for Development of Anderson Road	Mar 1999
Planning & Engineering Feasibility Study for Development near Choi Wan Road and Jordan Valley	Apr 1999
Planning & Development Study of Potential Housing Site in Area 54 Tuen Mun	Sep 1999
Northshore Lantau Development Feasibility Study	Apr 2000
Comprehensive Feasibility Study for the Revised Scheme of the South East Kowloon Development	Sep 2001
Yau Tong Bay Development Engineering Feasibility Study for the Comprehensive at Yau Tong	Apr 2002
Feasibility Study for Housing Development at Whitehead & Lee On in Ma On Shan, Shatin	Dec 2002