



**NOTICES OF PREPARATION
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTS
& PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING FOR THE
HELIOS ENERGY RESEARCH FACILITY, AND THE
COMPUTATIONAL RESEARCH AND THEORY FACILITY,
LAWRENCE BERKELEY NATIONAL LABORATORY**

The University of California, Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), has issued two Notices of Preparation for two Draft Environmental Impact Reports (EIR) that will evaluate the environmental impacts from the following proposed construction and operation projects: 1) the [Helios Energy Research Facility project](#), and 2) the [Computational Research and Theory \(CRT\) Facility project](#).

Helios Energy Research Facility Project Description:

The Helios Energy Research Facility Project would be located in the southeastern portion of LBNL. The proposed project includes a 160,000 gross-square-foot building, an access road, and a parking lot. The proposed building would house research programs focused primarily on alternative and renewable energy sources.

Computational Research and Theory (CRT) Facility Project Description:

The CRT Facility would be located in the western portion of the Lab site. The proposed project includes an approximately 150,000 gross-square-foot computer facility and offices, associated infrastructure, and service driveways. The facility would accommodate the National Energy Research Scientific Computing (NERSC) Center and office space to support computational science and engineering programs.

Copies of the two Notices of Preparation (NOP) are available online at www.lbl.gov/Community/Helios/ and www.lbl.gov/Community/CRT/ or the following locations:

Berkeley Public Library, 2090 Kittredge Street, 2nd Floor Reference Desk, Berkeley, CA 94704

Berkeley Lab Main Library, One Cyclotron Road, Bldg. 50, Room 4034, Berkeley, CA 94720

The period to provide comments on the scope of the Draft EIRs is 30 days, extending from July 26, 2007 to August 24, 2007. Written comments may be submitted via regular mail or email to Jeff Philliber, Environmental Planning Coordinator, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, One Cyclotron Road, MS 90J-0120, Berkeley, CA 94720 (email: planning@lbl.gov).

A joint public scoping meeting for both projects will be held to invite public input and comment on the scope of the two Draft EIRs. The meeting information is as follows:

**PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
Wednesday, August 8, 2007
North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Street, Berkeley
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**