

# GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES LEASING PEIS

## THE NEPA PROCESS

### What is NEPA?

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969



### What is the NEPA process & why do it for this project?

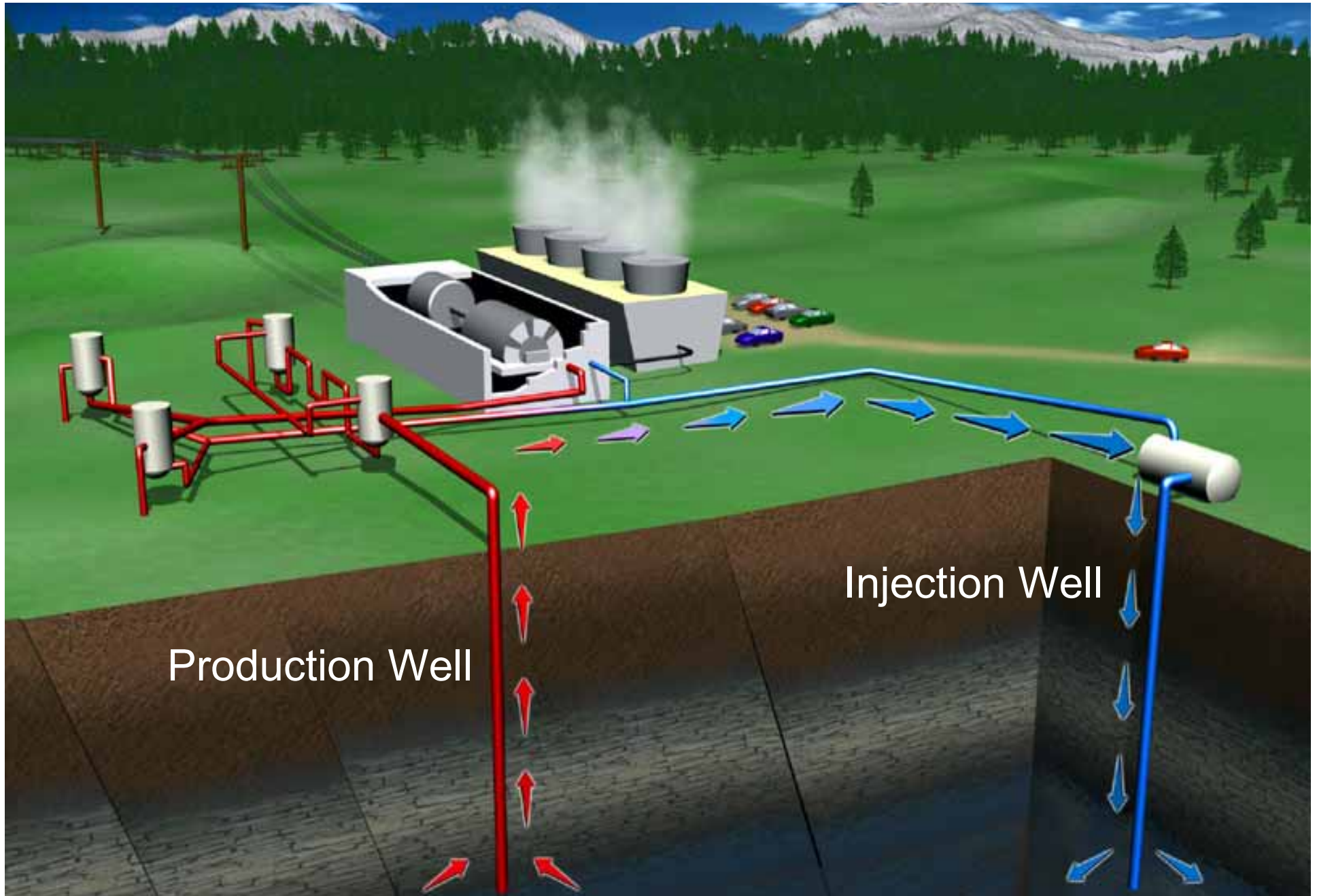
- Documents possible environmental effects
- Elicits public input and feedback on the project
- Required when federal activity or funding are involved
- Provides a logical framework for developing project implementation plans

### Steps to Fulfill NEPA

1. Public Scoping of Issues and Alternatives	2. Prepare Draft EIS	3. Public Review of Draft EIS	4. Final EIS	5. Record of Decision (ROD)
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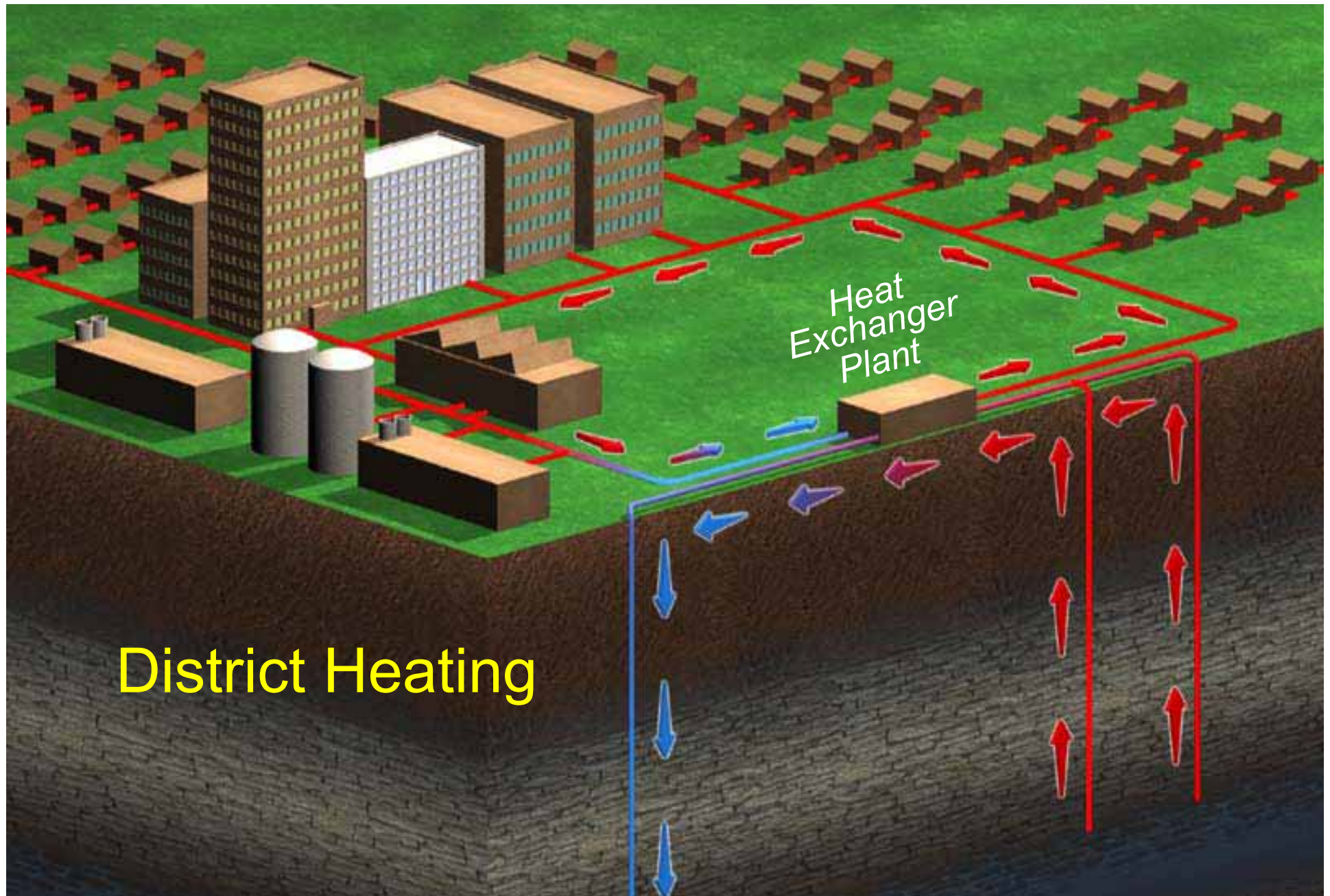
### Other Environmental Laws that Must be Complied with During the Planning Process Include...

- Endangered Species Act
- Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act
- Clean Water Act
- Clean Air Act
- Executive Orders (ex. Environmental Justice, Tribal Consultation)
- Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act
- Farmlands Protection Policy Act
- National Historic Preservation Act



**Indirect Use: Electricity Generation**





**Direct Use: Heating**