

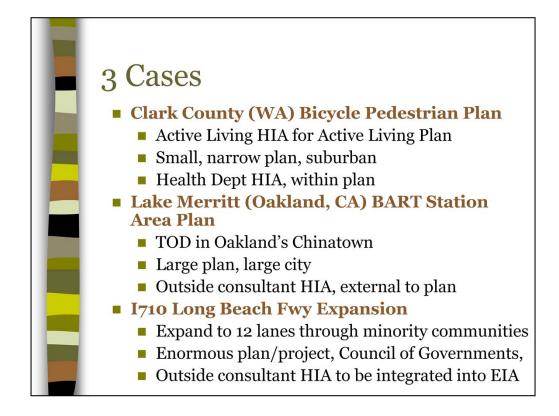
HIA has recently emerged in the U.S. as a promising potentially democratizing process that increases social and environmental justice through addressing health equity issues within planning processes.

Public health professionals, concerned that current approaches such as Environmental Impact Assessment insufficiently incorporate human health impacts and equity issues and ignore the precautionary principle, have begun using a process long utilized in Europe and in the developing world.

This process, HIA, to systematically analyze potential plans and projects for human health impacts. HIA has been put forward as a way to adequately addresses social justice issues that cut across planning and public health practice in a preventative and multidisciplinary manner.







Methods Overview Process and Impact Evaluation with 3 Phases				
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	
Purpose	Background & Initial Pass at Participants and Interests	Refine Participants, Interests, Information	Look for Influence	
Data	<ul> <li>HIA Documents</li> <li>Media</li> <li>Previous Plan</li> </ul>	Semi-Structured Interviews	HIA Report & Plan/EIS	
Analysis	•Hand/Open Coded Content Analysis •Data Display	<ul> <li>Content Analysis (ATLAS.ti)</li> <li>Refine Data Display</li> </ul>	•Content Analysis (ATLAS.ti) •Trace Interests in Final Text	