WHY <u>Do Public Participation/Engagement?</u>

1. Effective Public Participation/Engagement acknowledges the desire for humans to participate in the decisions that affect them

- Provides a means for incorporating the public's values, interests, needs and desires in to decisions that affect their lives.
- Encourages the public to provide meaningful input into the decision process.

2. Effective public participation/engagement facilitates understanding

- Allows for clear definition of problem/opportunity
- Provides forum for sharing ideas and concerns of all stakeholders
- Stakeholders work together finding to common ground
- Clear understandable rationale for decision
- 3. Effective public participation/engagement improves decision making by bringing all perspectives to the table, ultimately leading to ...

SUSTAINABLE DECISIONS

