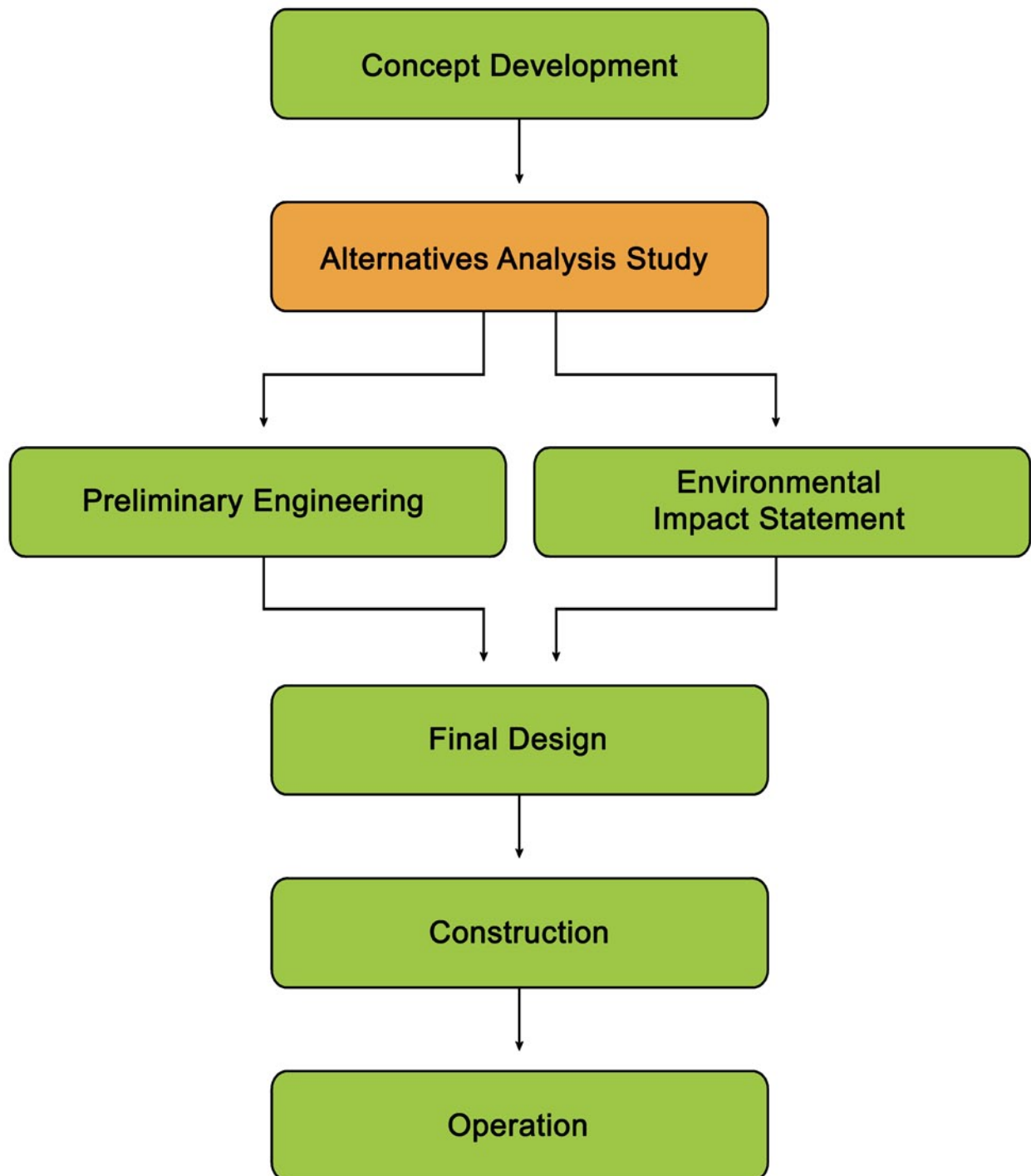


FTA's New Starts Process



Purpose and Need

Transportation Needs

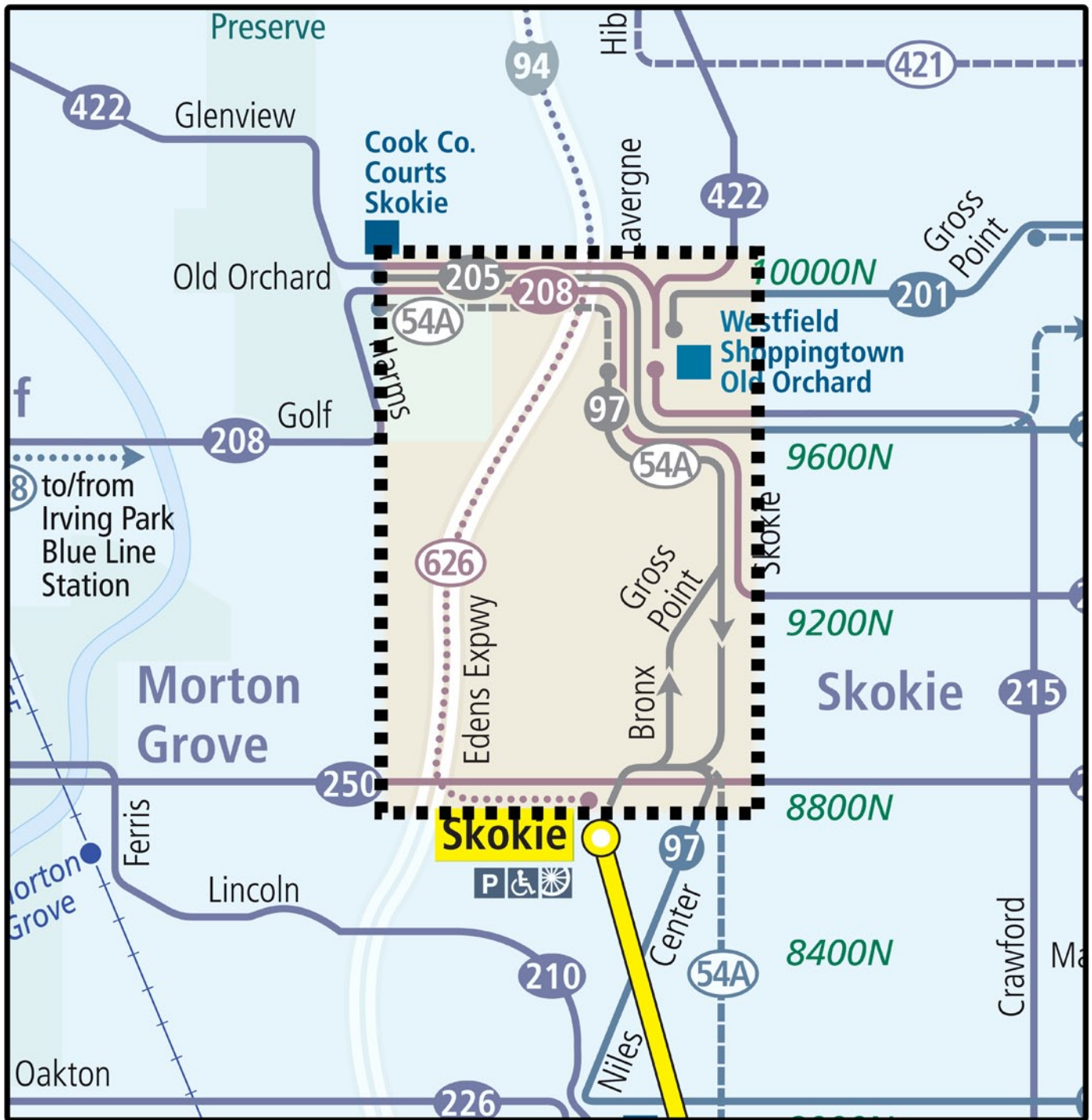
- Enhance access to the concentration of institutional, employment and retail activity in the Old Orchard Road area
- Leverage existing transit infrastructure to provide locally oriented rapid transit service
- Support local land use and development goals
- Alleviate traffic congestion due to expected growth in Skokie population and employment

Opportunity for Improvement

- Extend rapid transit service north from Dempster Street Yellow Line Terminal
- Improve access to, within, and beyond study area
- Support economic development and job opportunities
- Shorten transit travel times through faster and more direct routings



Study Area



Community Participation

Community participation is one of the key components of the alternatives analysis.

Community Outreach

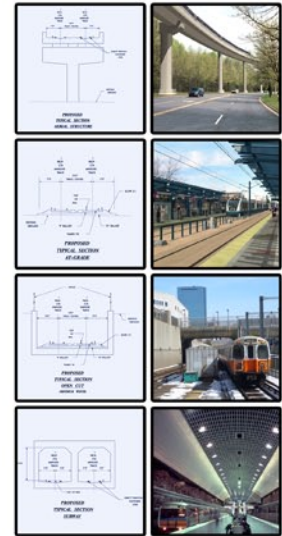
- General Public
- Elected and Appointed Officials
- Community and Civic Organizations
- Faith-Based Organizations
- Local and State Agencies

Ongoing Public Involvement / Input

- Meetings announced through public notices and advertisements
- Project updates on the CTA web site: www.transitchicago.com, accessible at local public libraries



Universe of Alternatives



Technologies

Corridors

Profiles

Automated Guideway / Monorail

Bus Rapid Transit

Commuter Bus

Commuter Rail

Heavy Rail

High Speed Rail

Light Rail

Local Bus

MagLev

Personal Rapid Transit

Streetcar

 Edens Expressway

 UP Railroad

 Gross Pointe Road / Skokie

 Skokie Boulevard



Elevated



At-Grade



Trench



Underground

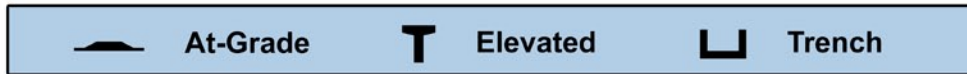


Screen 1 Findings

Heavy Rail Transit



UP Railroad Corridor



Bus Rapid Transit



UP Railroad Corridor



Combined Gross Pt / Skokie Corridor




SCREEN 2 - Step 1: Alternatives Definition

Transportation System Management (Incorporates BRT)




Dempster / Skokie / Old Orchard Corridor

 At-Grade
 No Exclusive Lanes
 2 Stations / 2.6 Route Miles

Bus Rapid Transit



UP Railroad Corridor

 At-Grade
 2 Stations / 2.0 Route Miles

Heavy Rail Transit





UP Railroad Corridor

 Elevated / Trench
 1 Station / 1.6 Route Miles

Corridors, Stations and Parking **P** are shown in generalized locations only.



SCREEN 2 - Step 2: Evaluation Findings

Technology	TSM (Incorporates BRT)	Bus Rapid Transit	Heavy Rail Transit			
						
Corridor	Dempster / Skokie / Old Orchard	UPRR	UPRR West Option	UPRR West Option	UPRR East Option	UPRR East Option
Profile	At-Grade (No Exclusive Lanes)	At-Grade	Elevated	Trench	Elevated	Trench
Physical Constraints	○	○	○	-	○	-
Social	○	○	○	○	○	○
Economic	○	○	○	○	+	+
Environmental	○	○	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	+	+	+	+
Capital Cost	+	+	-	-	○	-
Operating Cost	○	+	○	○	○	○
Ridership	○	○	+	+	+	+
Summary Rating	0	+1	0	-1	+2	0
LPA Recommendation	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO

+ Better than other alternatives ○ Comparable to other alternatives - Worse than other alternatives



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SCREEN 2 Recommendation: Locally Preferred Alternative

Heavy Rail Transit



UP Railroad Corridor

T Elevated 1 Station / 1.6 Route Miles

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