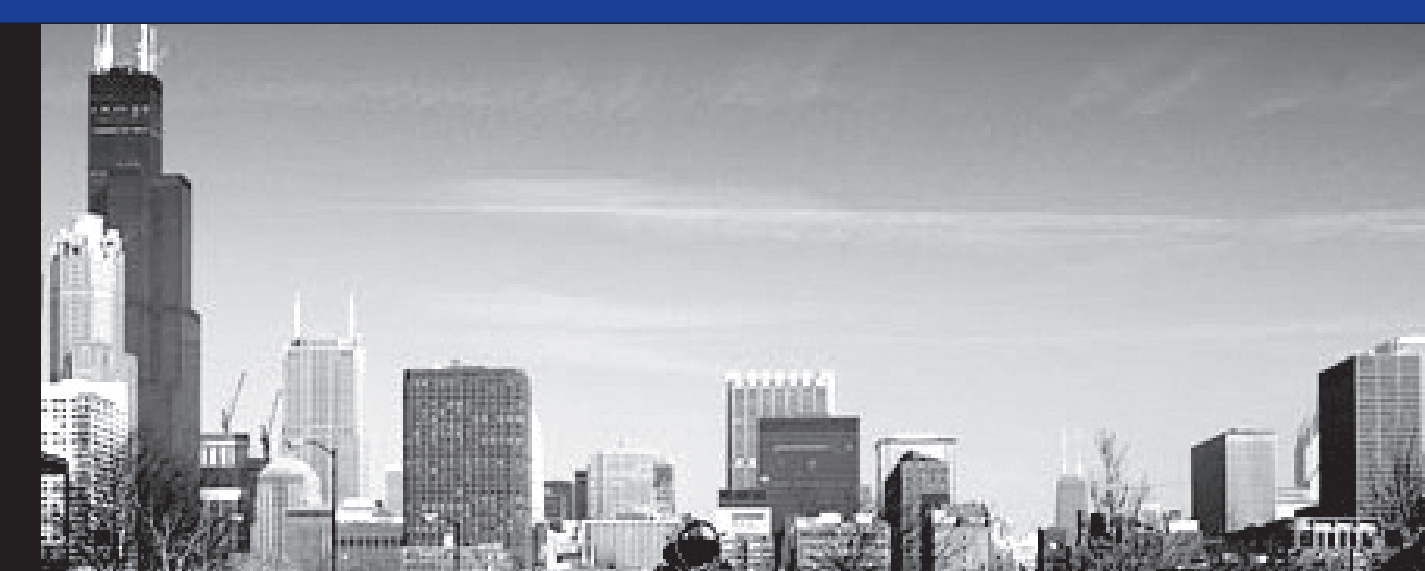
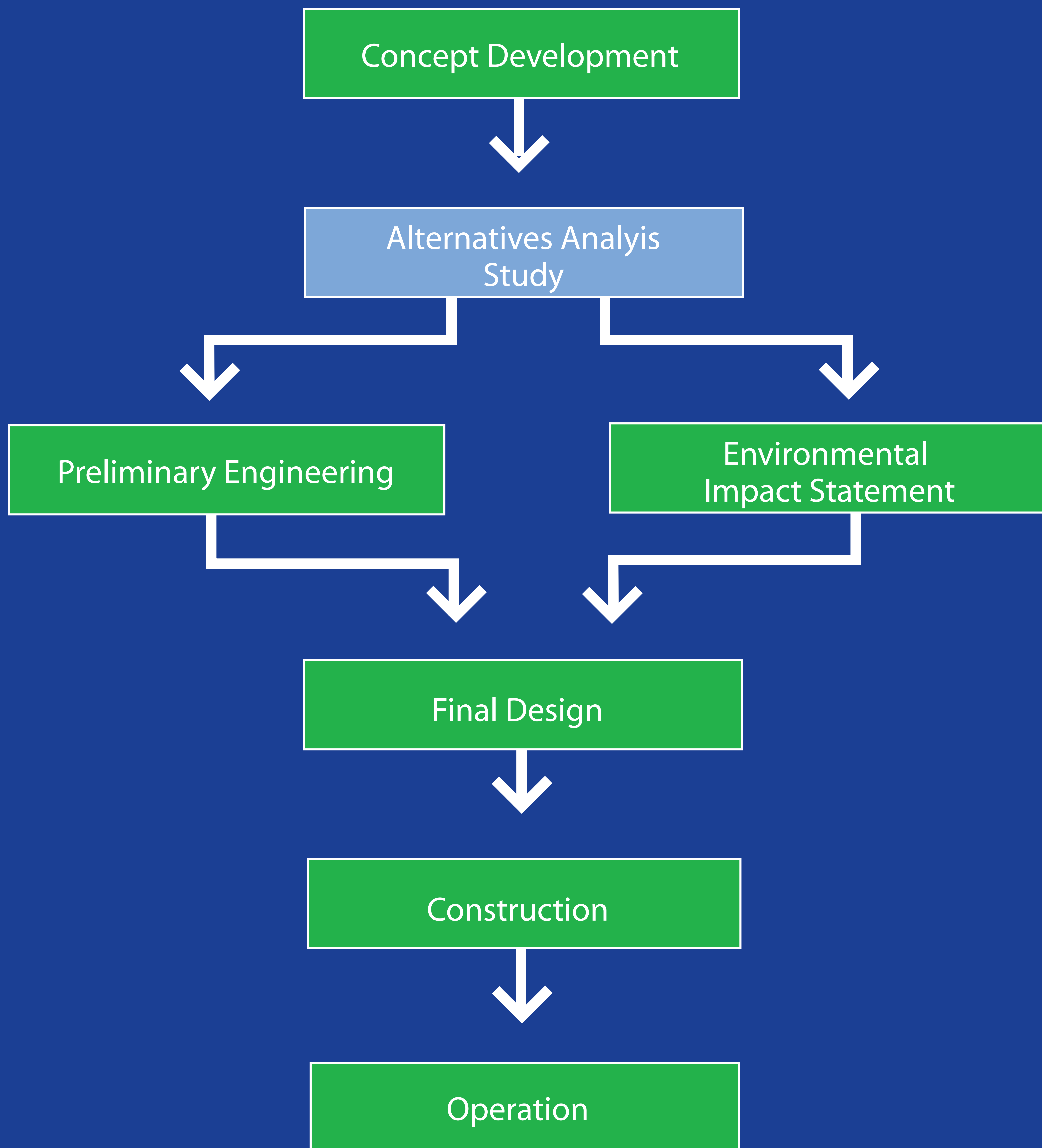


FTA's New Starts Process



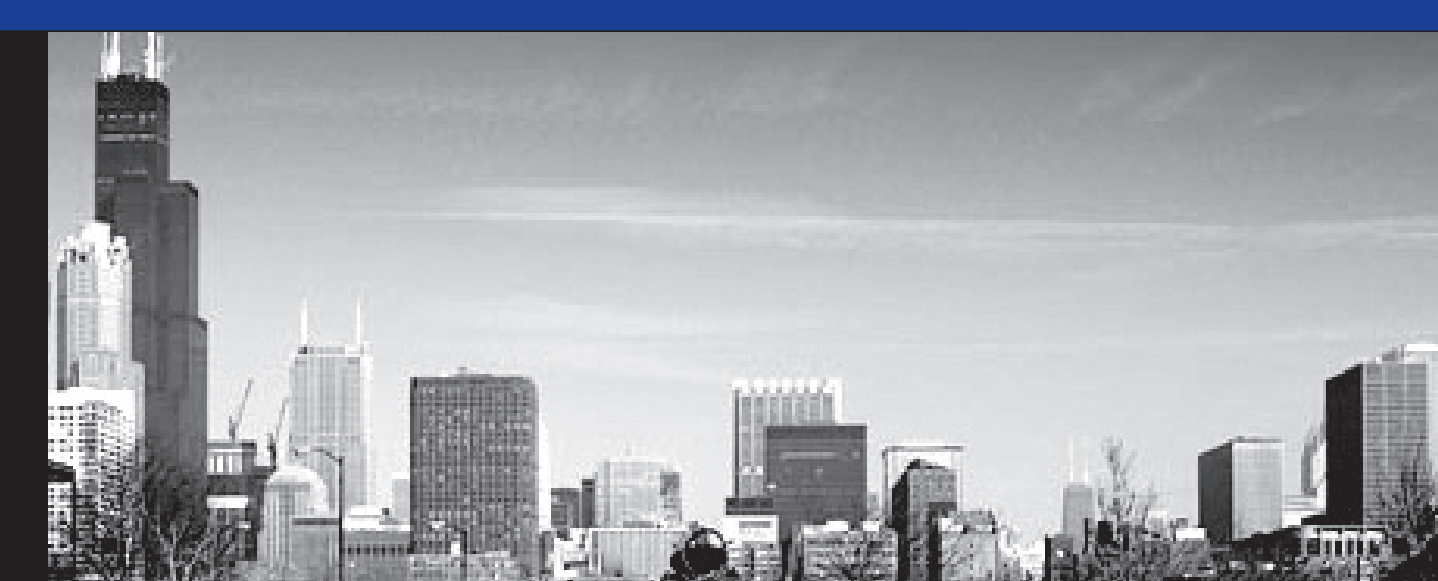
Purpose and Need

- **Transportation Needs**

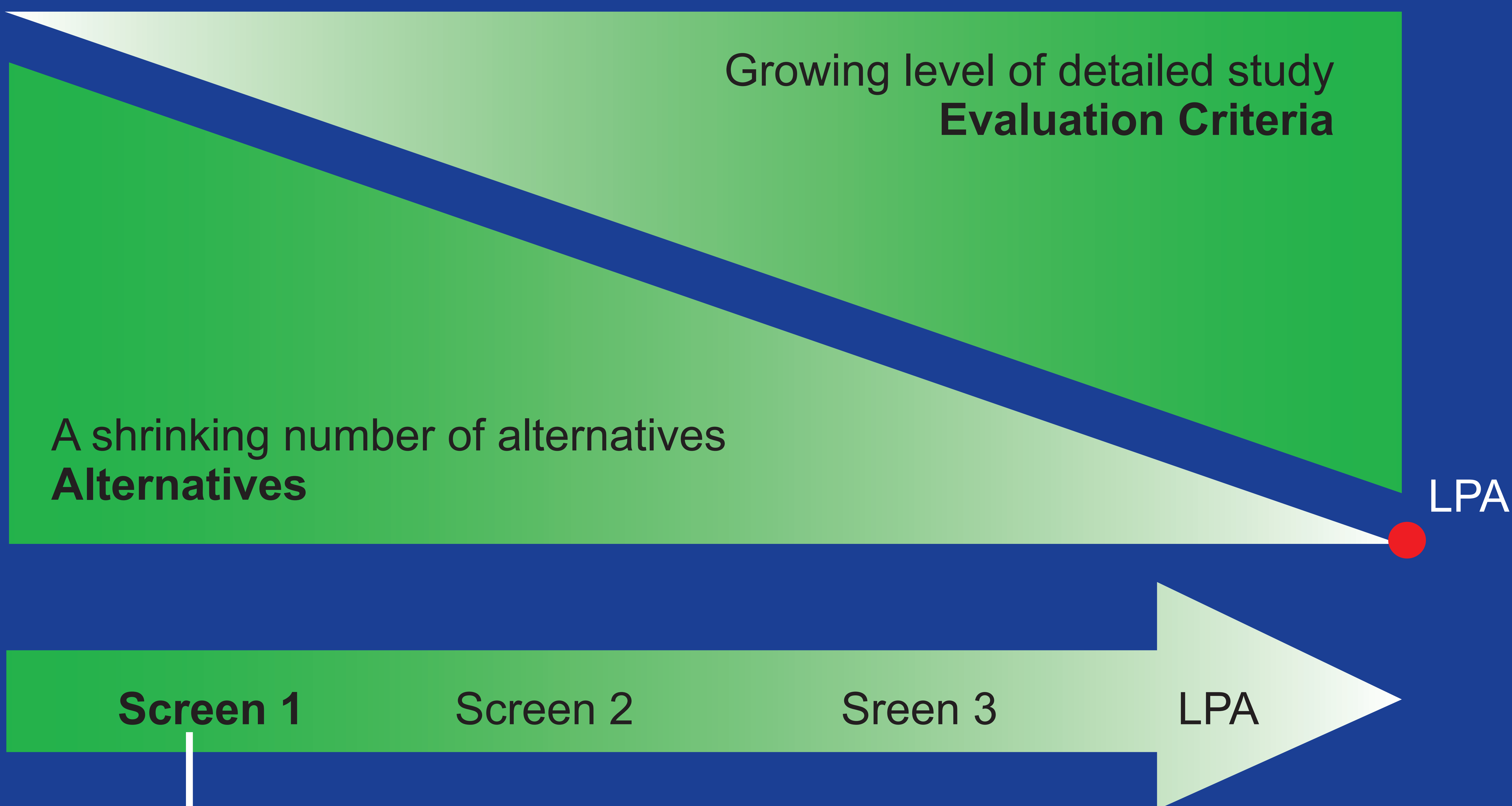
- Growth in population and employment
- Access to activity and employment centers
- Changing travel patterns (non-Loop destinations)
- Connecting among transit modes
- Transit-reliant residents
- Congestion and lengthening travel times

- **Purpose of Transit Investments**

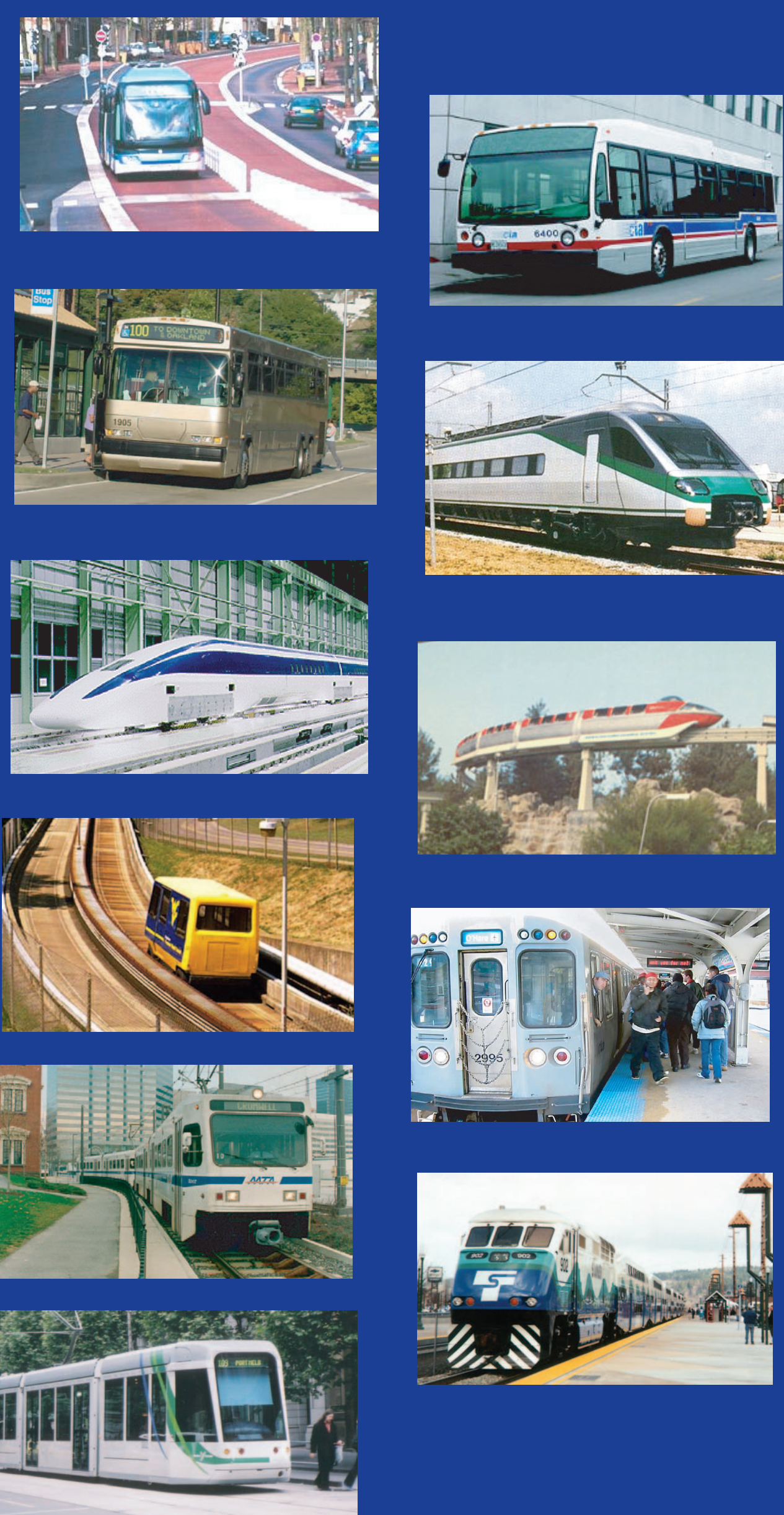
- Increase transit access west of Loop
- Improve access to major activity centers
- Improve transfers between modes
- Increase system efficiency
- Leverage existing infrastructure investments



Alternatives Analysis Process



Technologies



Corridors

Ashland
Ashland/Ogden
Canal/Canton
Damen
Halsted
Western



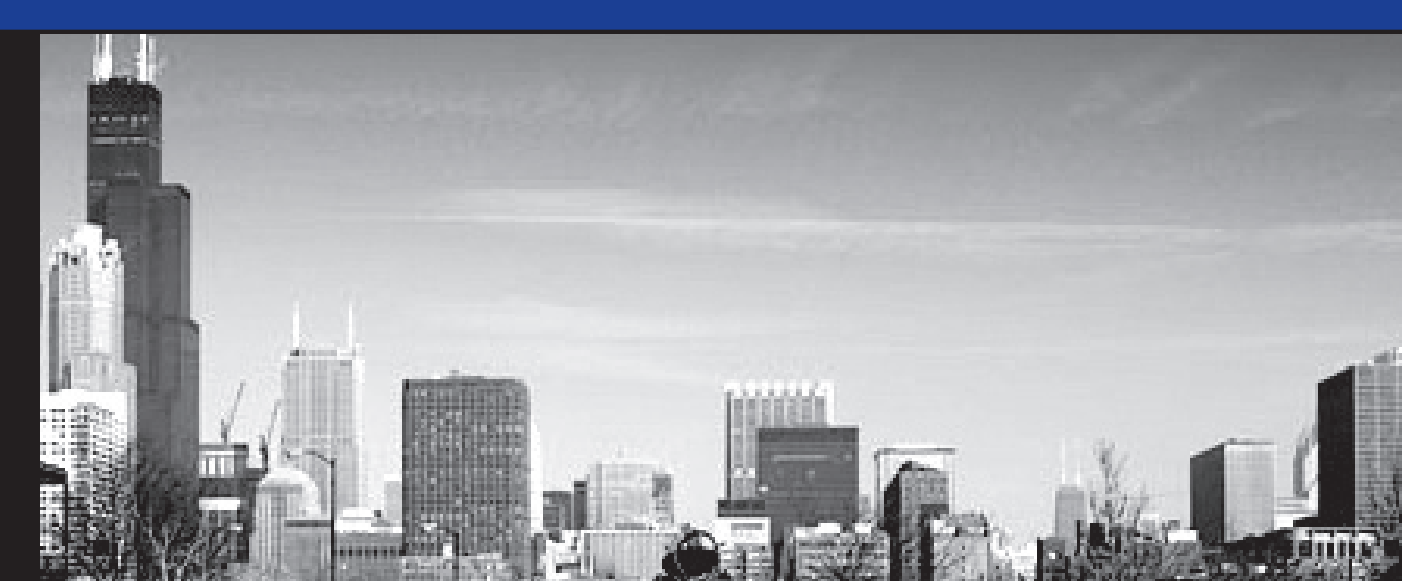
Alignments

At-Grade
Elevated
Underground



Universe

Approx. 134
Combinations
including No-Build
and Baseline



Community Participation

- **Community Participation is One of the Key Components of the Alternatives Analysis Study**
 - Elected and Appointed Officials
 - Community and Civic Organizations
 - General Public
 - City and State Agencies

