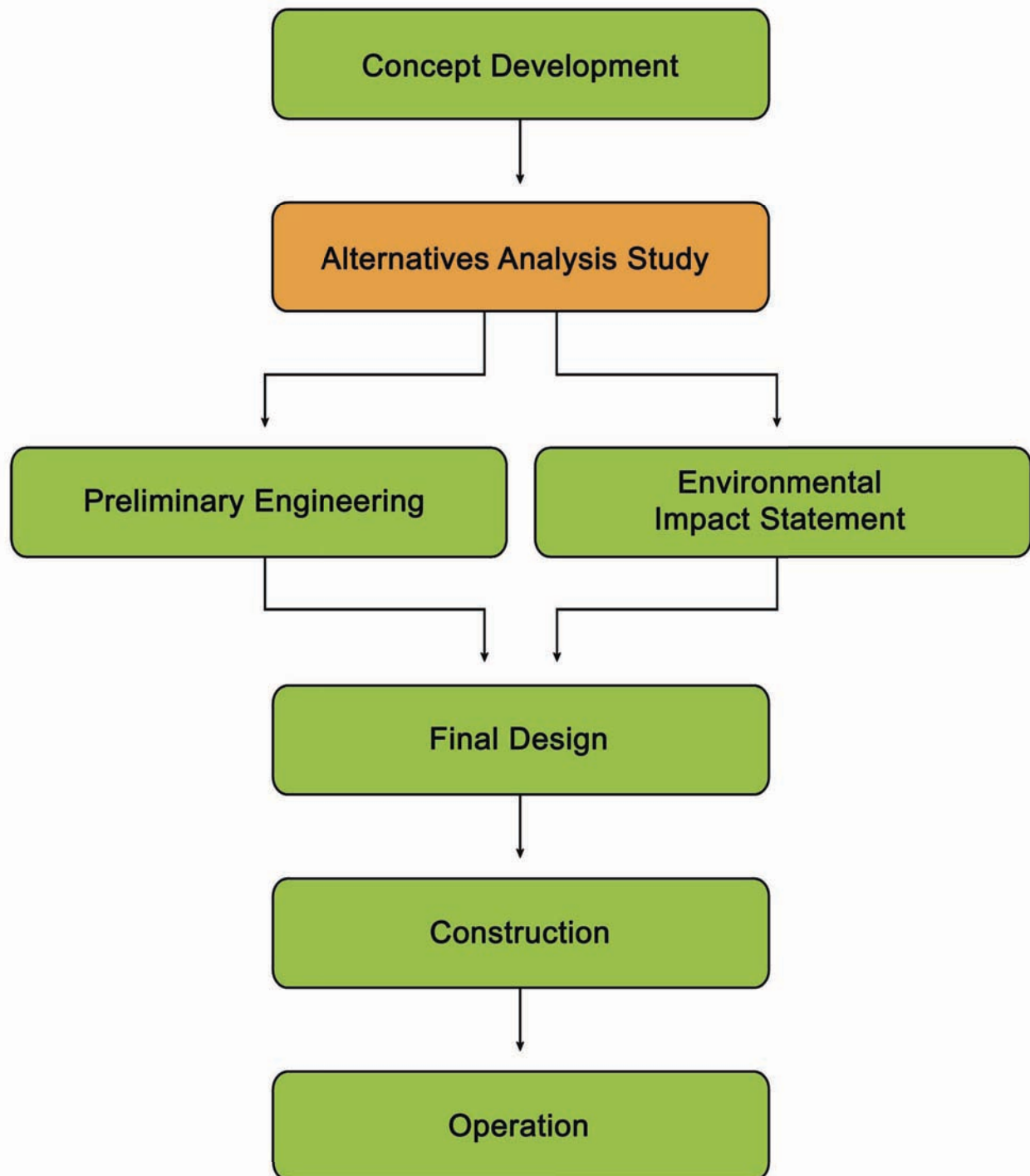


# FTA's New Starts Process



# Purpose and Need

## Transportation Needs

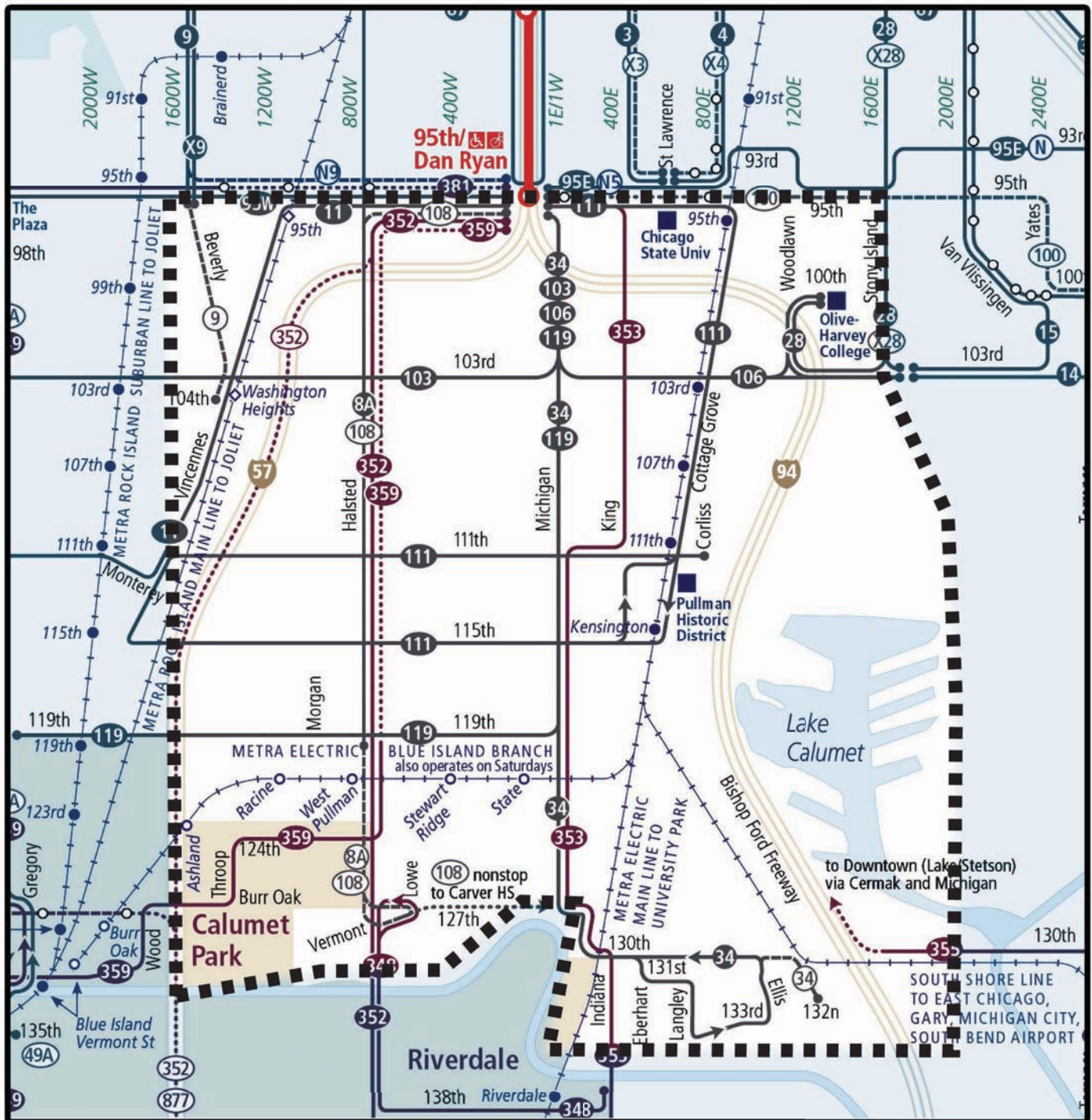
- Significant bus and passenger congestion at 95<sup>th</sup> Street Red Line Station
- Lengthy bus trips to access 95<sup>th</sup> Street Red Line Station
- Far South Area residents experience 20% longer commute than rest of City
- Traffic congestion is expected to grow along with study area population and employment

## Opportunity for Improvement

- Extend rapid transit service south from 95<sup>th</sup> Street Red Line Station
- Improve access to, within, and beyond study area
- Stimulate 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
- City and State Agencies

## Ongoing Public Involvement/Input

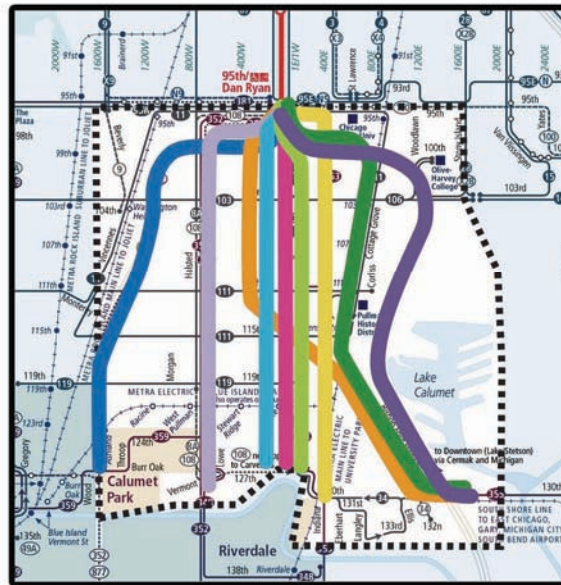
- Meetings announced through public notices and advertisements
- Project updates on the CTA web site:  
[www.transitchicago.com](http://www.transitchicago.com), accessible at local public libraries



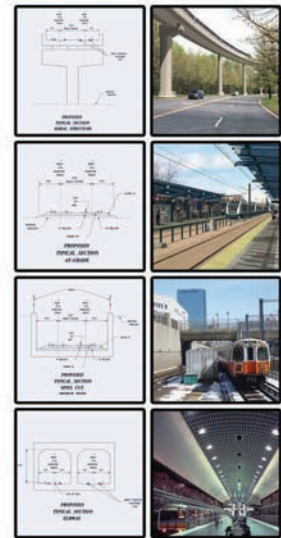
# Universe of Alternatives



**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

I-57 Expressway

Halsted Street

UP Railroad

Wentworth  
Avenue

State Street

Michigan Avenue

King Drive

Cottage Grove /  
Metra Electric

I-94 Bishop Ford  
Freeway



Elevated



At-Grade



Trench



Underground



# SCREEN 3 - Step 1: Alternatives Definition

## Transportation System Management (Incorporates BRT)



**Halsted Street to Vermont Avenue**

— At-Grade  
No Exclusive Lanes  
4 Stations / 5.1 Route Miles



**Michigan Avenue to 130th Street**

— At-Grade  
No Exclusive Lanes  
4 Stations / 8.0 Route Miles

Corridors and stations and parking **P** are shown in generalized locations only.



**Red Line Extension  
Alternative Analysis Study**

