

Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Monday, July 23, 2007
Morrison City Council
Morrison City Hall
Morrison, Illinois

Project: FAP 309 (US 30)
Section (20-1, 17R, 16, 15, 110)PE 1
Whiteside County
Job No. P-92-107-07

Attendees:

Honorable Roger Drey, Mayor
Aldermen Barb Bees
Aldermen Scott Connelly
Aldermen Gus Hayenga
Aldermen Patricia Zuidema
Aldermen James Blakemore
Aldermen Ann Salvin
Aldermen Bob Snodgrass
Aldermen Dave Rose
Lester Weinstein (City Attorney)
Police Chief
Fire Chief

US 30 Project Team Members:

Becky Marruffo (IDOT)
Dawn Perkins (IDOT)
Vic Modeer (Volkert)
Gil Janes (HR Green)
Michael Walton (Volkert)
Shelia A. Hudson (Hudson and Associates, LLC)

Handouts (see attachment):

Power Point - US 30 Environmental Impact Statement and
Phase I Design Report

Meeting Purpose

Members of the US 30 Project Study Group (PSG) met with the Mayor and Aldermen of Morrison to present an overall project status report that included results from the feasibility study; highlights of the next study phase; announce the next public information meeting and address any project related issues.

The following information was presented:

- Results from the Corridor Feasibility Study
- Federal Requirements for Next Phase (NEPA, EIS and CSS Policies)
- Project Timeline
- Public Outreach Activities
- Public Information Meeting Announcement (July 25, 2007)

US 30 Team Presentation

Becky Marruffo gave opening remarks and introduced the joint-venture team project leaders. Vic Modeer went on to present a power point presentation that focused on results from the feasibility study; highlights of the next phase; federal and state policies (such as NEPA, EIS and CSS); and announced the next public information meeting. Gil Janes closed the meeting by thanking the Mayor and Aldermen for their on-going efforts to champion the project. He went on to encourage their involvement through the next EIS and Design phase.

Comments/ Issues/Questions:

Comments

Aldermen Bees thanked the consultant team for presenting such a thorough presentation. She went on to announce her support of the project and strongly encouraged the PSG to keep the Council informed as the project progressed.

Lester Weinstein (City Attorney) echoed Aldermen Bees' comments. He said that this was first time in his almost 40 year tenure of service with the City that he recalls IDOT informing the City of the project's intent and requesting input at the initiation of a process. He went on to express his appreciation to IDOT, and acknowledge the enthusiasm for the project expressed by a consultant team.

Questions:

Q- How were the Study Bands defined?

A- Based on reasonable distance/proximity to the existing corridor to conform to typical travel patterns in the area.

Q – Is funding secured for this study?

A- Vic replied funding is secured for Phase I – EIS.

Q- How will the Community Advisory Group members be selected?

A- The Project Study Group will identify members to serve on the CAG. Members will be selected from a stakeholders' list the Department has put together along with those who express an interest at the public information meeting. Members will represent the Cities impacted, business leaders, home owners, farm land owners, and special interest groups

that all have a vested interest in the project.

Q- Are there reports that show economic patterns as a result of the proposed project and cities impacted the size of Morrison?

A- Vic informed the Council of various links on the Federal Highways' web site that references various Transportation Economic Forecasting reports.



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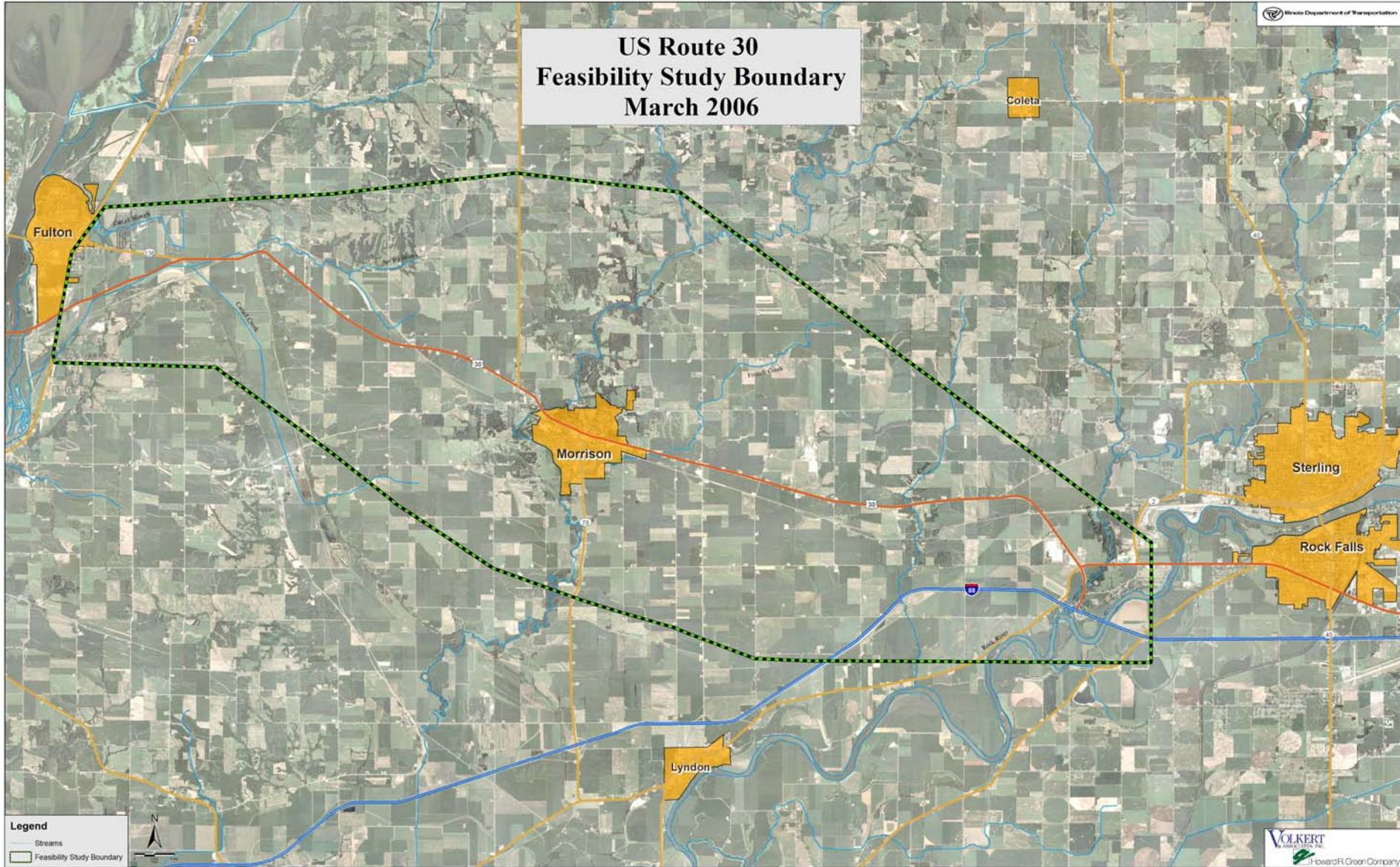
US 30 Project

This project proposes 4 lane improvements to US 30 in Whiteside County Illinois, from the junction of IL 136 near Fulton to the junction of IL 40 in Rock Falls.



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Feasibility Study Area



The US 30 Corridor Feasibility Study determined there was a need to:

- ❑ *Improve Regional Mobility*
- ❑ *Accommodate Land Use Planning Goals*
- ❑ *Address Local System Deficiencies and Safety*



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NEXT STEPS

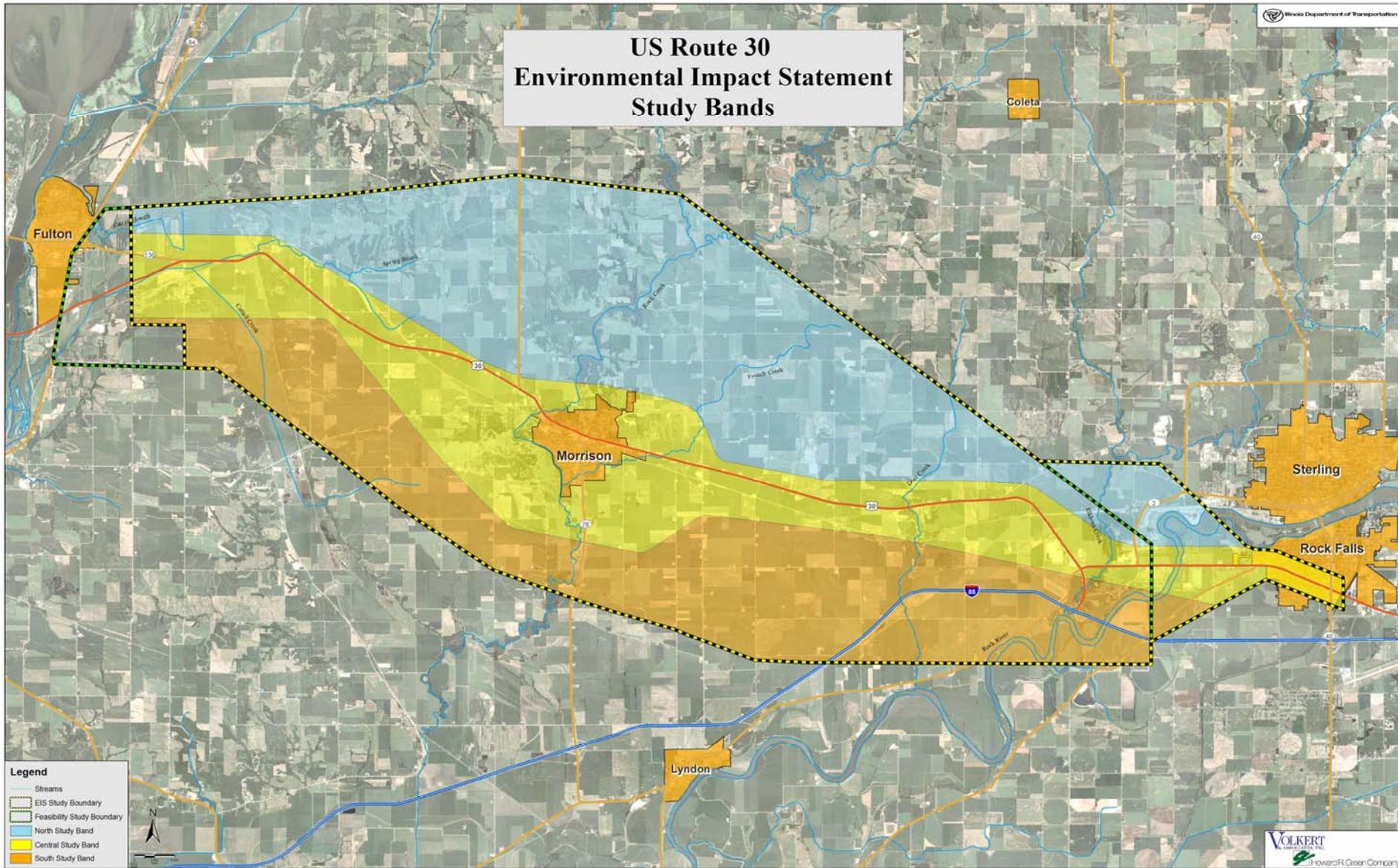
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Using Context Sensitive Solutions Process



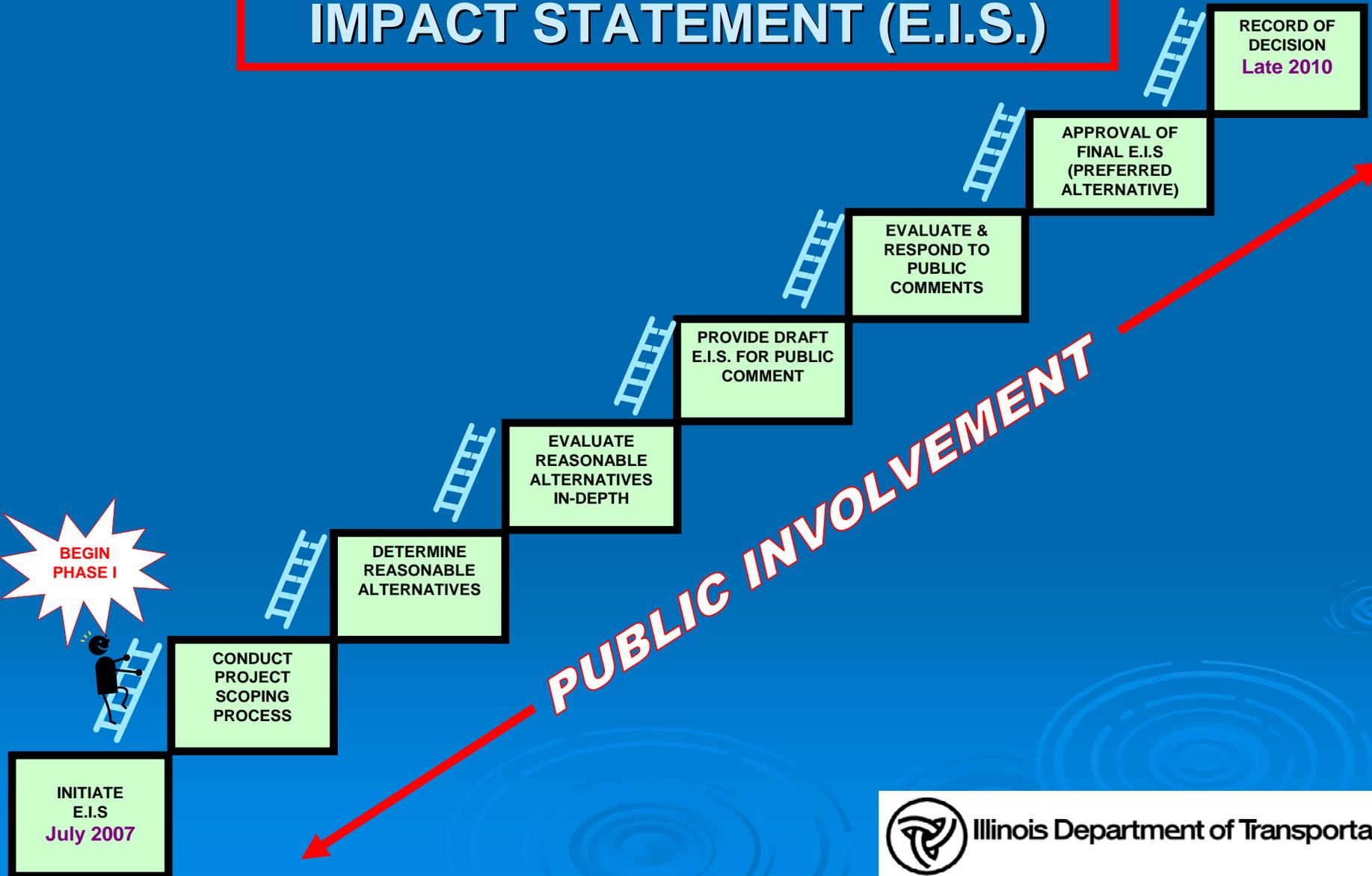
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US 30 Study Bands

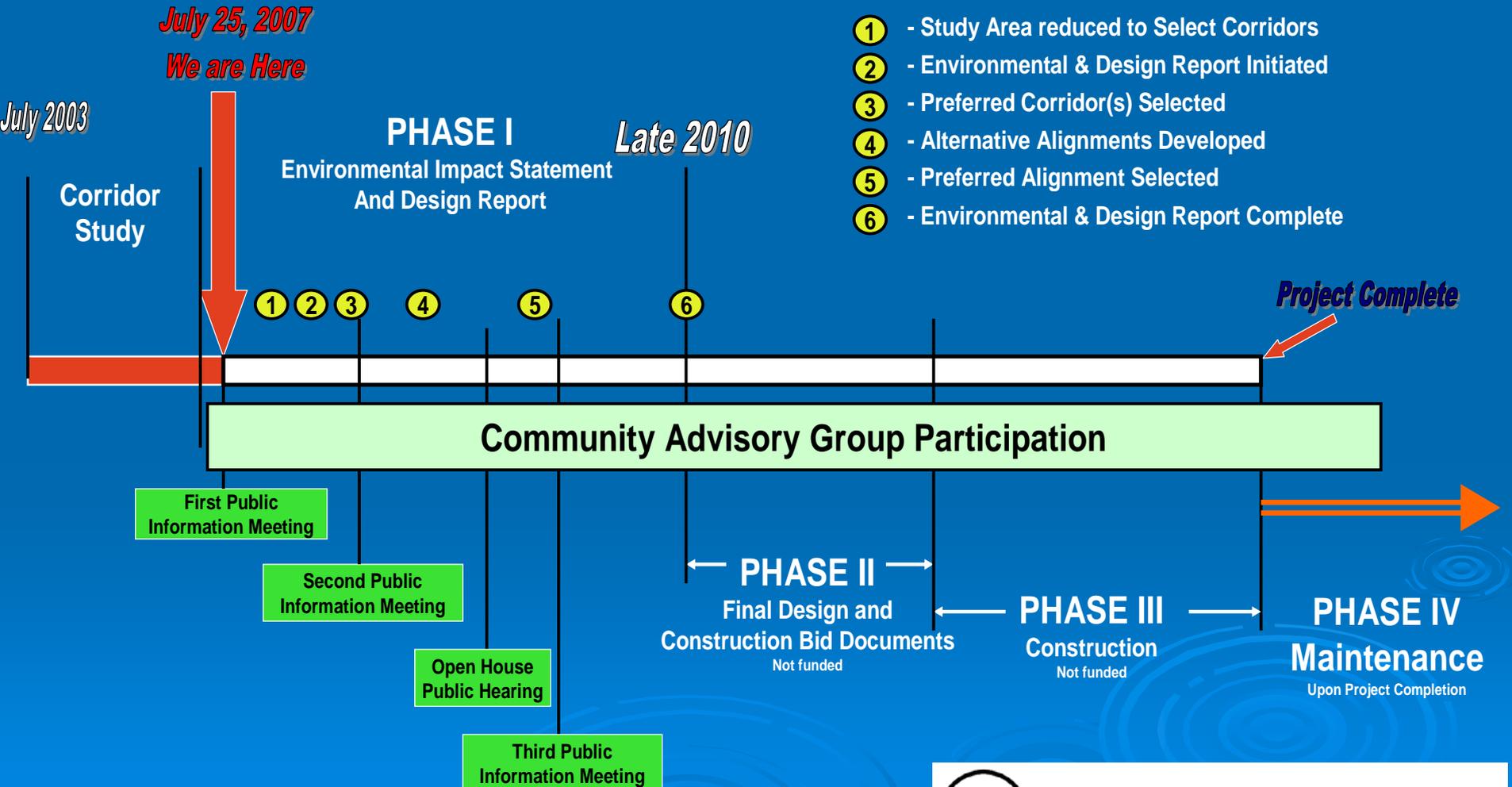


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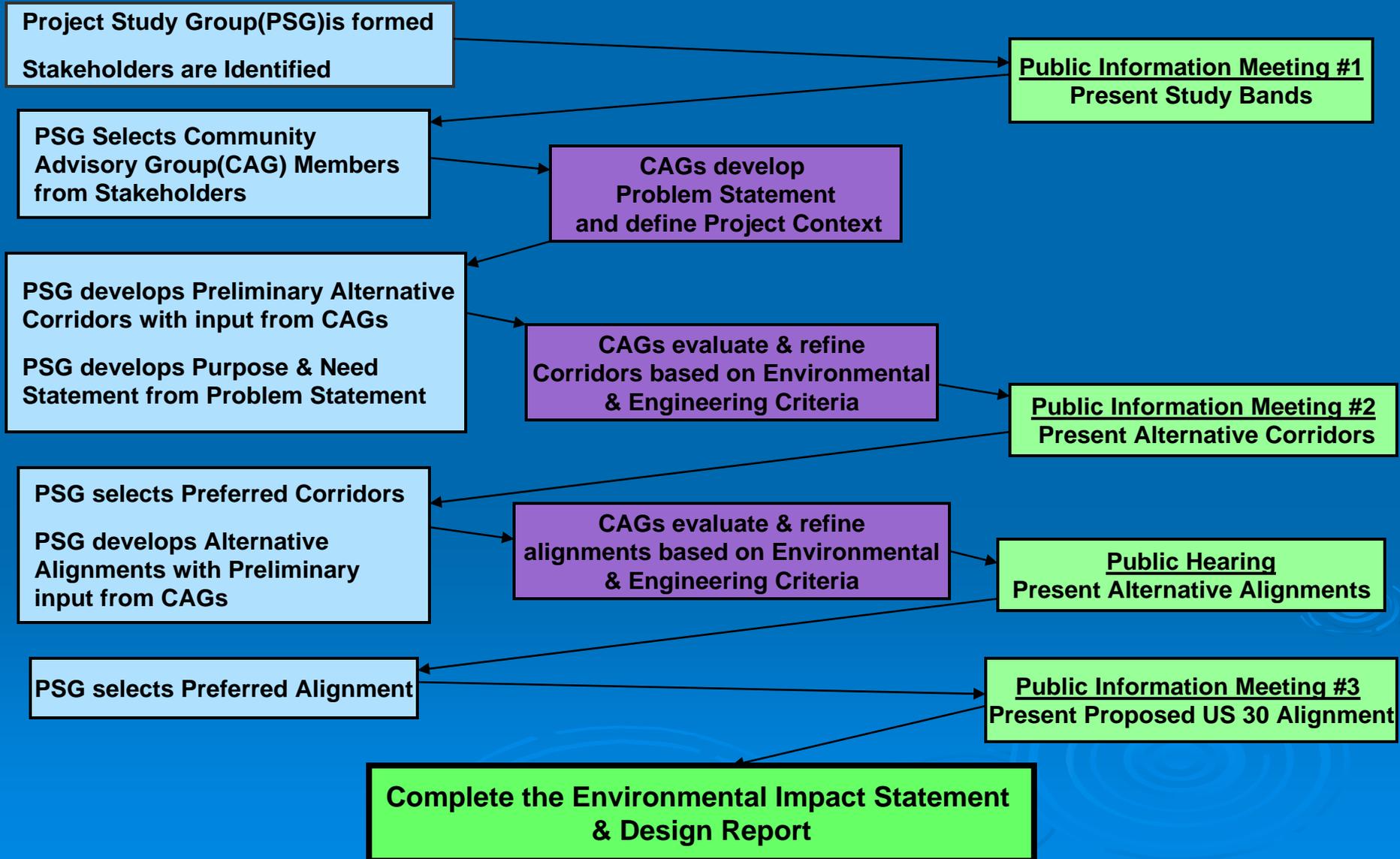
**COMPLETE
DESIGN
REPORT**



Project Timeline



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Other Public Outreach Activities:

- *Stakeholder Meeting and Briefings*
- *Public Information Meetings*
- *New Project Web Site*
- *New Project Hotline*
- *Project Newsletters and Fact Sheets*



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COMMENTS & CONCERNS



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