



# City of Seattle Partnering Agreement

December 2017

# West Seattle Link Extension



## Project Highlights:

- Opening 2030
- Length: 4.7 miles
- 4 elevated stations at SODO, Delridge, Avalon and Alaska Junction; one at-grade station at Stadium
- New rail-only fixed span crossing of the Duwamish River

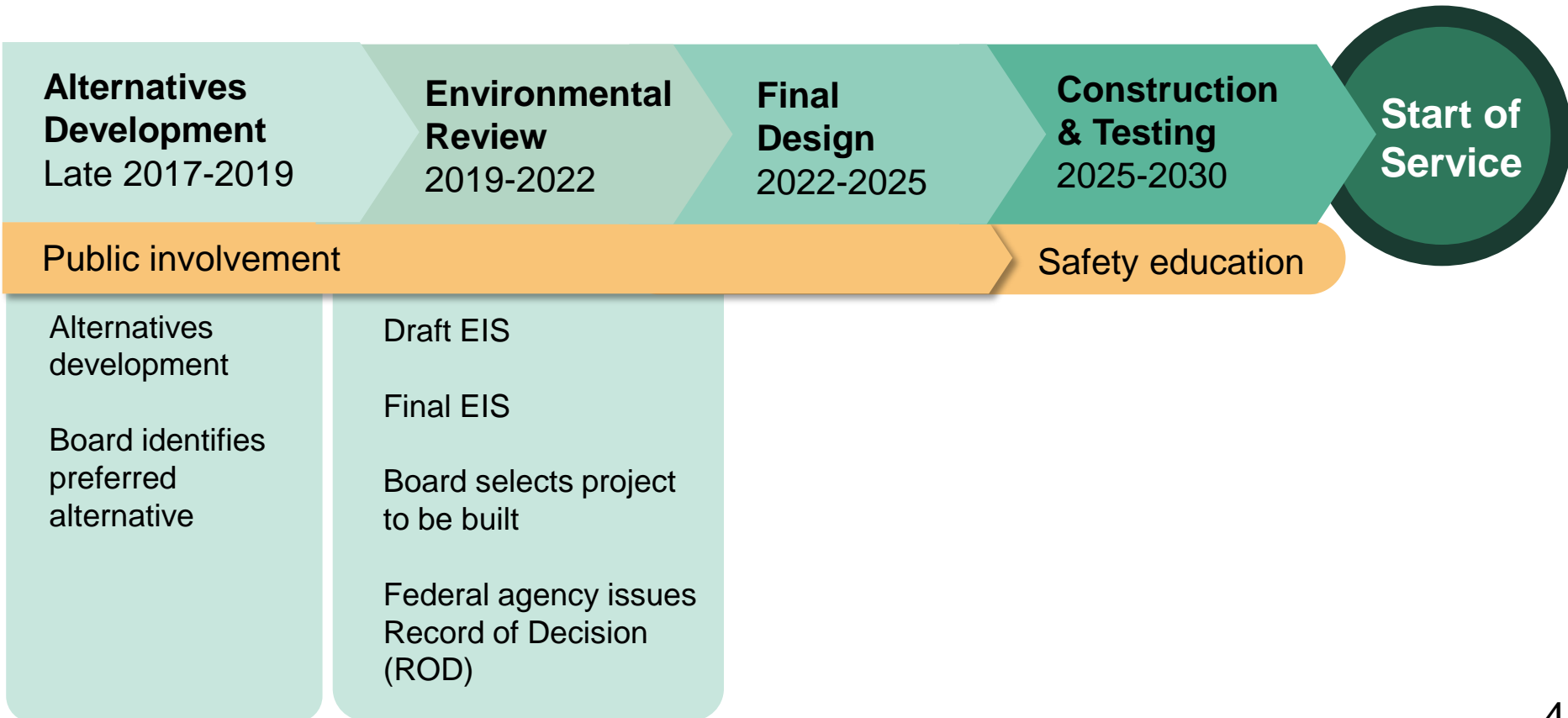
# Ballard Link Extension



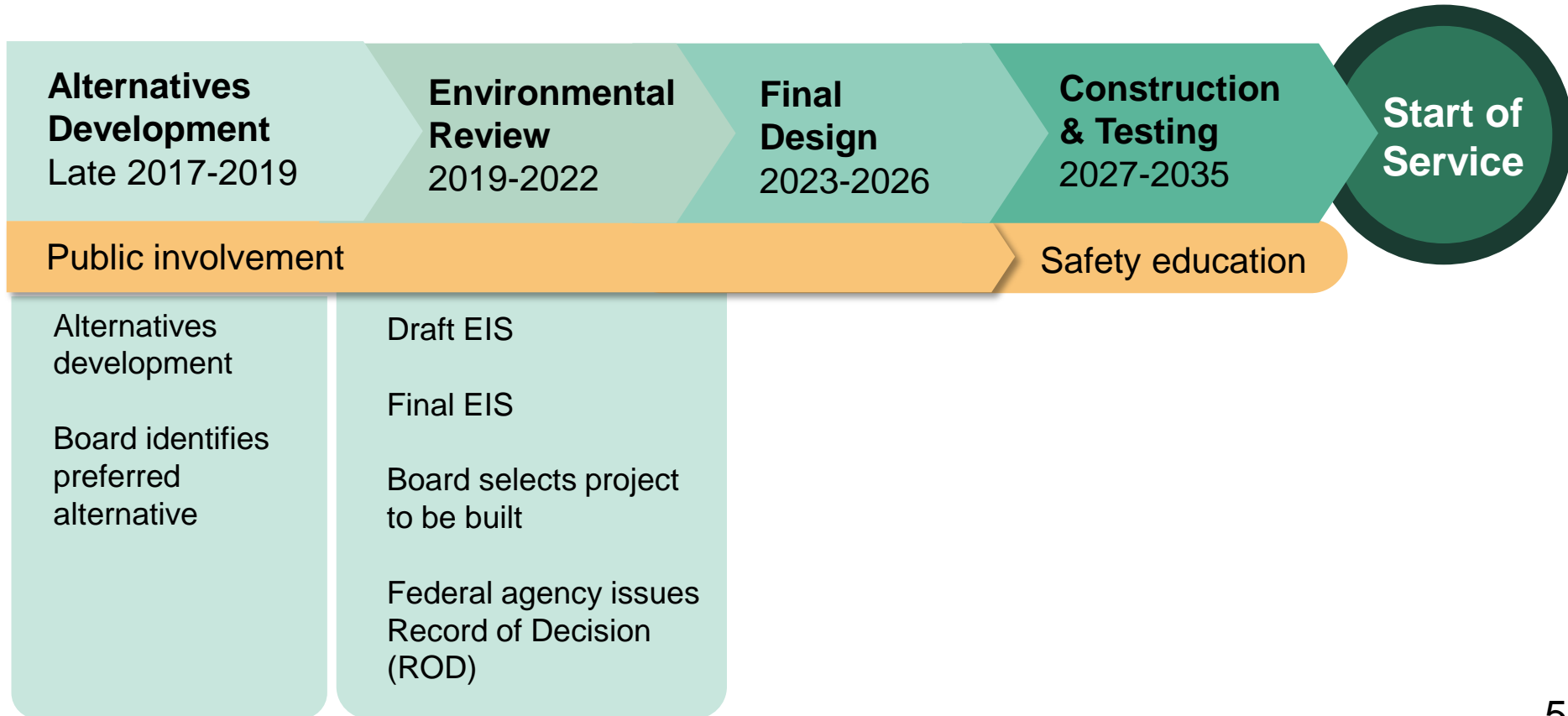
## Project Highlights:

- Opening 2035
- Length: 7.1 miles
- Three elevated stations: Ballard, Interbay, Smith Cove
- Six tunnel stations: Seattle Center, South Lake Union, Denny, Westlake, Midtown, International District/Chinatown
- New rail-only movable bridge over Salmon Bay

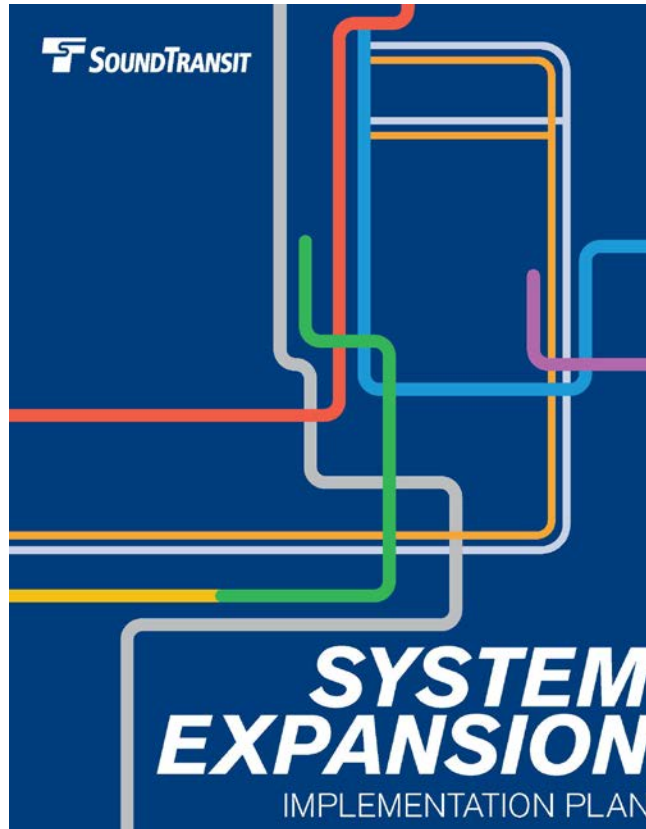
# West Seattle Link Extension schedule



# Ballard Link Extension schedule



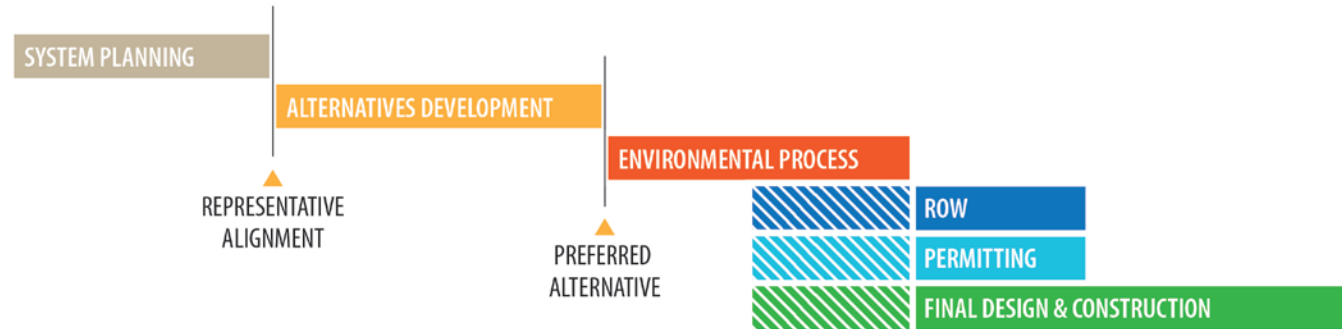
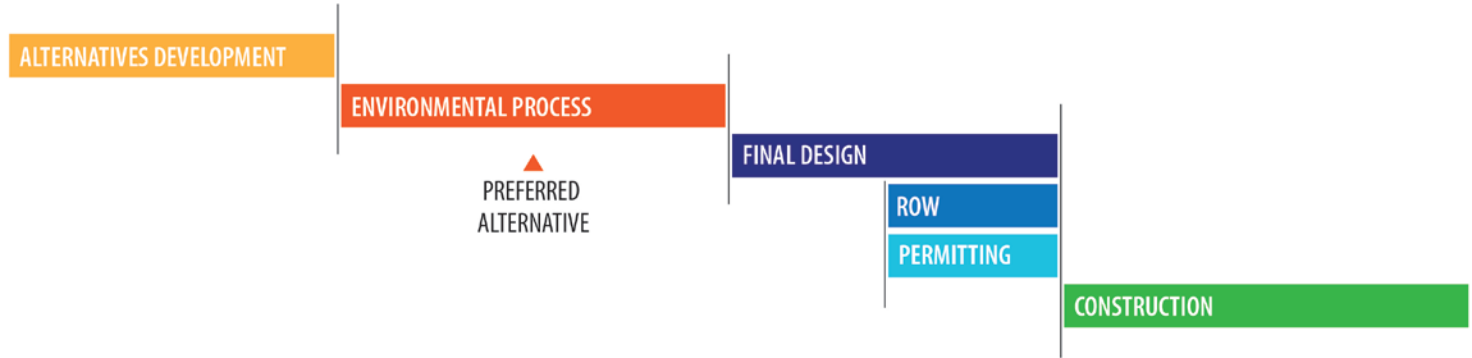
# New approach to project development



Apply innovative ideas and lessons learned to streamline project delivery

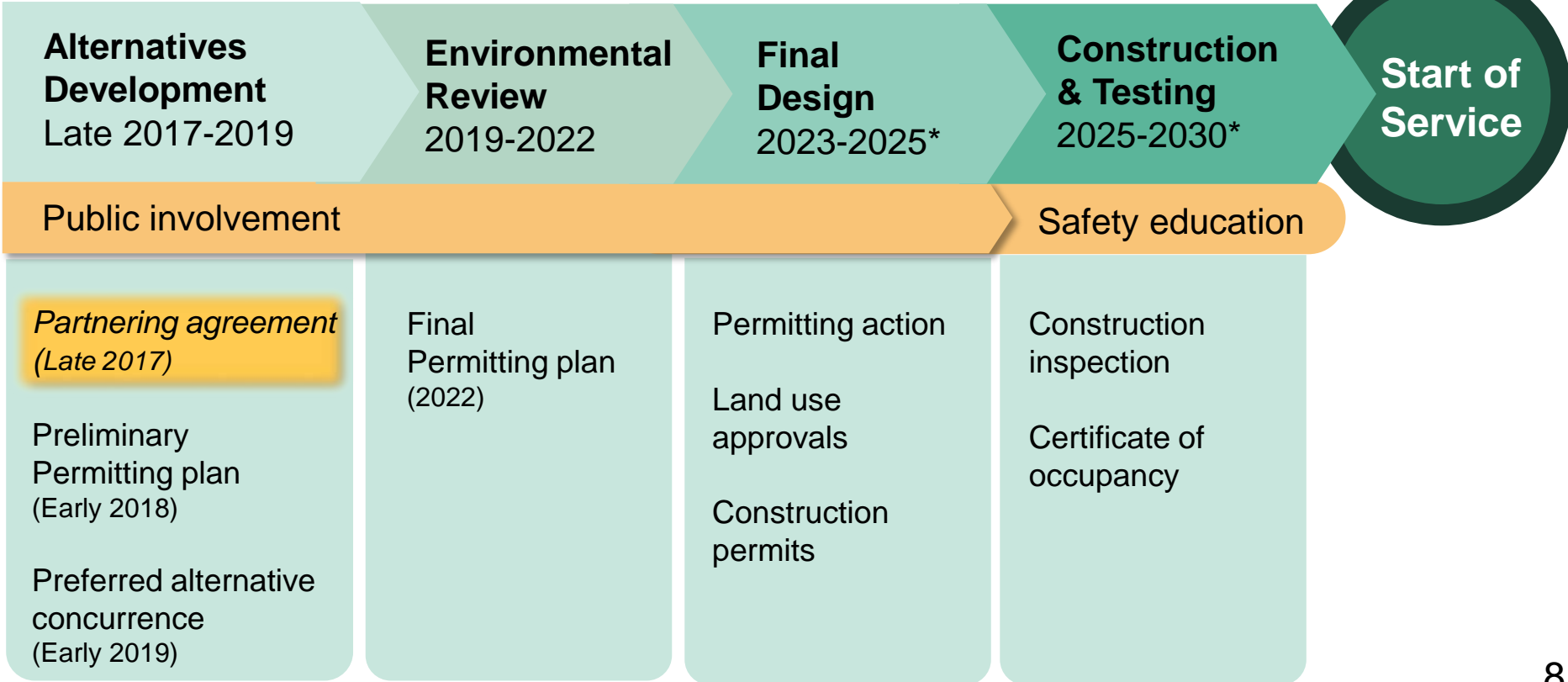
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## ST2 PROCESS



## ST3 PROCESS

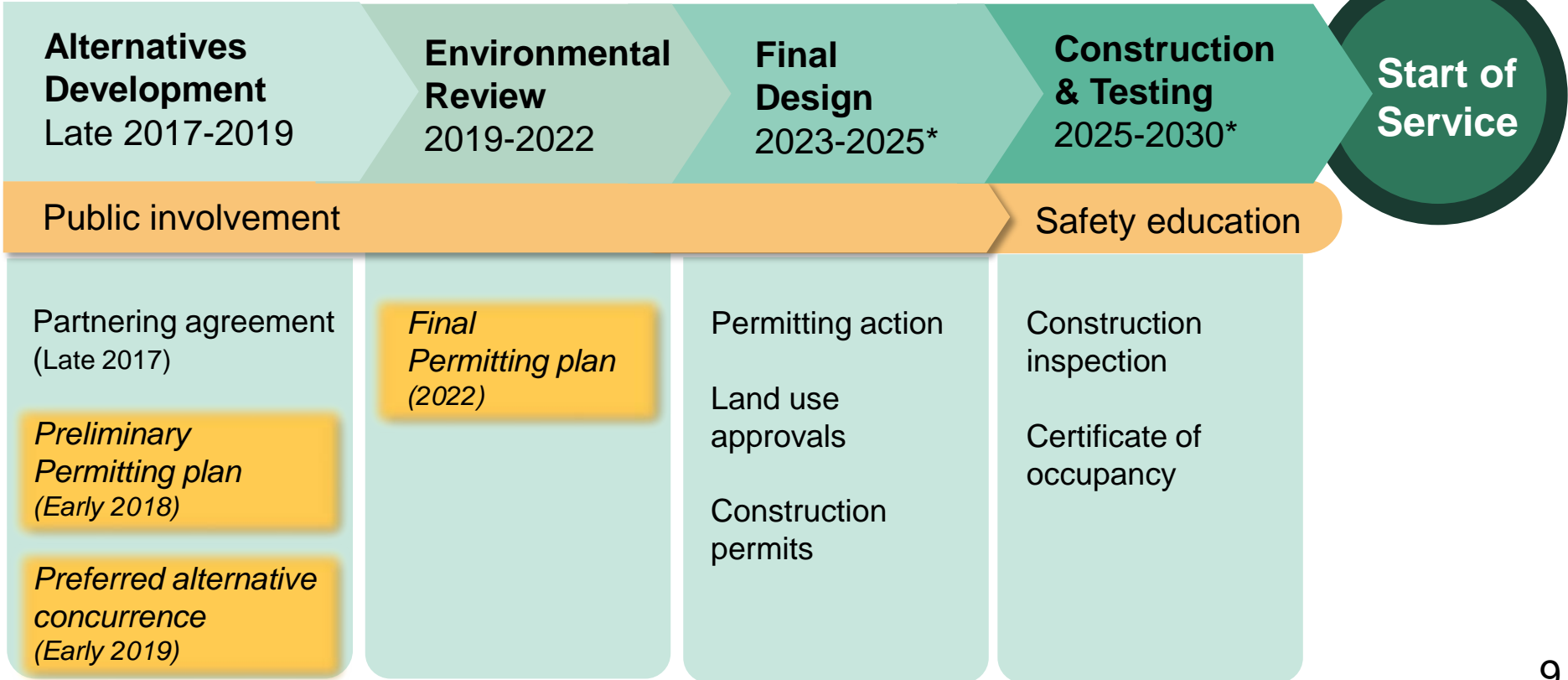
# Agreements



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# Partnering Agreement

✔ Designated Representatives & Project Development Team

✔ Scope, Schedule, Budget

✔ Project Definition

✔ Community Engagement

✔ Station Planning Activities

✔ Permit Streamlining

✔ NEPA / SEPA

✔ Coordination on Planned Projects

✔ Staffing

# Partnering Agreement

-  **Designated Representative & Project Development Team**

Forum for early resolution of issues

# Partnering Agreement

## Scope, Schedule, Budget

Complete project within ST3 schedule and budget

If requests to increase scope, identify scope reductions elsewhere/local contributions

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## Project Definition

Start with ST3 representative project as basis to investigate other reasonable alternatives to be studied

Collaborate early on evaluation of reasonable alternatives

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## Community Engagement

Collaborate on Community Engagement & Communications Plan

Convene Elected Leadership Group, Stakeholder Advisory Group and Interagency Group

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## Station Planning Activities

Develop process to coordinate station planning activities

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## Permit Streamlining

Initiate discussion of permit streamlining opportunities

Implement actions to streamline permit review

Develop Preliminary and Final Permitting Plan



# Partnering Agreement



## SEPA / NEPA

Participate actively in environmental review process

Develop documents that both Parties can use for project approvals and permitting decisions

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## Coordination on Planned Projects

Coordinate on planned projects within the project area

Resolve conflicts as early as possible

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## Staffing

Sound Transit may reimburse City costs for certain services

Develop funding agreement

# Next steps

-  Initiate discussion of permit streamlining opportunities
-  Initiate leadership groups
-  Initiate formal community engagement



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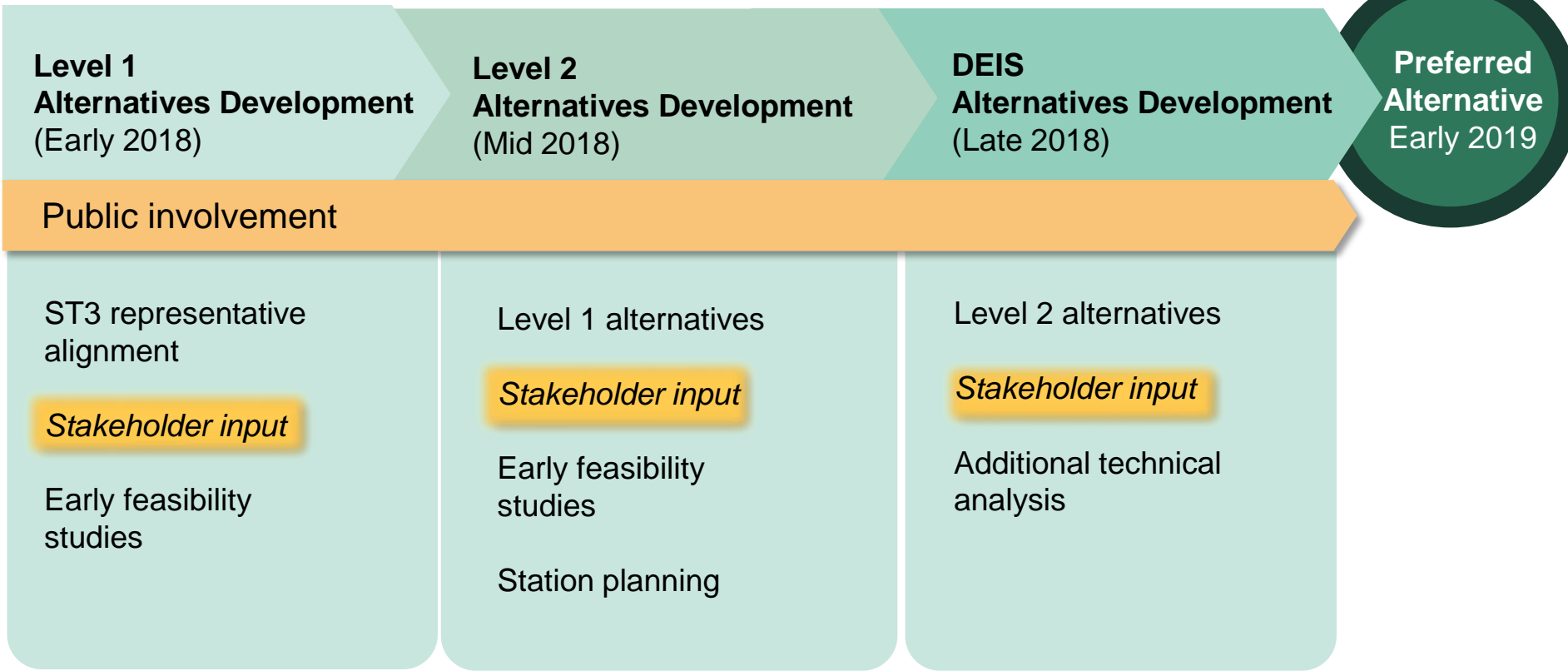
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RIDE THE WAVE

  
SOUNDTRANSIT

# Alternatives Development process





# Communications and public involvement



- ✓ Community engagement and Communications Plan
- ✓ Public Information Officer
- ✓ Community meetings, Open Houses



# Stakeholder engagement

Priority in Sound Transit **System Expansion Implementation Plan**:

*“Enhance Sound Transit’s commitment to partnership, community engagement, collaboration, transparency and accountability.”*

Elected  
Leadership  
Group

Stakeholder  
Group

Interagency  
Group



# New approach to project development

## Alternatives Development

Late 2017-2019

## Environmental Review

2019-2022

## Final Design

2023-2025\*

## Construction & Testing

2025-2030\*

Start of Service

Public involvement

Safety education

*Identify preferred alternative early*

Access

TOD

Identify project delivery method early

Real estate acquisition plan

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