

Appendix E- Presentation at Public Hearing



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Southwest Transitway DEIS Scoping Meeting

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Environmental Impact Statement

The purpose of the **EIS** is to conduct a full and **open evaluation** of environmental issues and alternatives, and to **inform decision-makers and the public** of reasonable alternatives that could avoid or minimize adverse impacts and enhance the quality of environment.

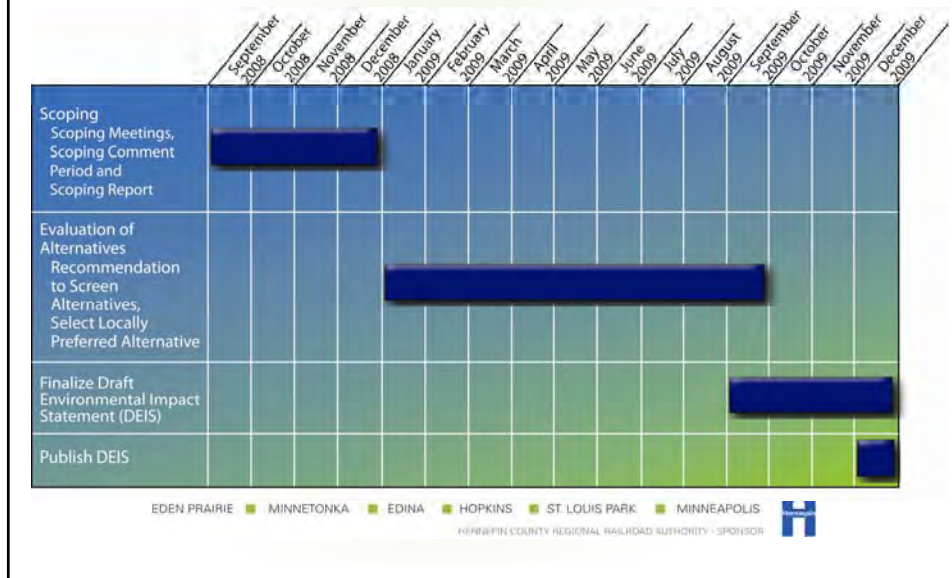


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DEIS Process

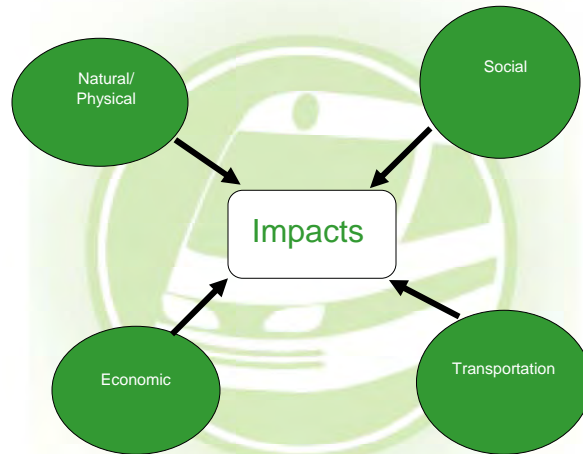


What is the purpose of Scoping?

Scoping ensures that the agencies and the public:

- Understand the **purpose & need** for the project
- Understand the **alternatives** being considered
- Understand the **impacts** that will be analyzed
- Understand the **process** that will be followed

Environmental Impacts



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What Happens at the End of Scoping?

Publish Scoping Summary Report

- Reports ideas and comments received during Scoping
- Identifies issues to be addressed in DEIS
- Confirms the scope (alternatives and impacts) of the DEIS

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What Happens After Scoping?

Evaluate Alternatives

- Screening of Alternatives
- Identify Natural/Physical, Social, Economic, & Transportation Impacts
- Document avoidance, minimization, and potential mitigation of impacts
- Select Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)

Prepare Draft EIS

- Produce Draft EIS
- Circulate for public and agency review
- Hold Public Hearing and Finalize DEIS

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