

# EA Process



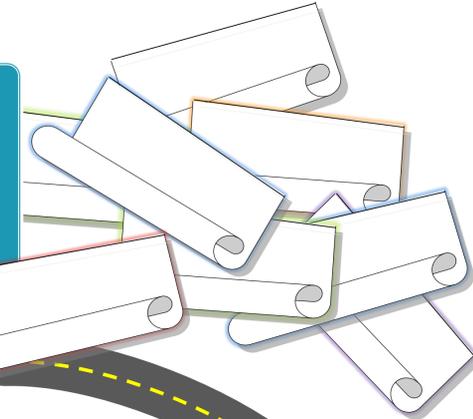
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## 1. PURPOSE AND NEED

What are the transportation needs associated with the deficient Route 54 Mississippi River Bridge?  
September to November 2012

## 2. PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVES

Ideas for replacing the Route 54 Mississippi River Bridge  
November to December 2012



## 3. PRELIMINARY SCREENING

Which ideas are feasible and which have serious issues?  
December 2012 to February 2013

## 4. RETAINED ALTERNATIVES

Which alternatives work best and should be evaluated in detail?



- Existing alignment
- North of existing
- South of existing
- Other?

Spring/Summer 2013

## 5. ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION

What are the impacts of each alternative? What is the least damaging practicable alternative?  
Spring/Summer 2013



## 6. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Available for public and resource agency review  
Summer 2014



## 7. PUBLIC HEARING

What does the public think of the solution proposed? Have we missed anything?  
Summer 2014



## 8. FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Identifies the alternative selected, its ability to meet project needs, minimize impacts, and address public and resource agency concerns.

December 2014

