

Initial Transit Alternatives for Consideration

The project team has identified several Initial Alternatives for consideration:

- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) – bus system that uses reserved transit ways or lanes, express operations, special vehicles, enhanced passenger facilities and other means to emulate the reliability and convenience of rail transit.
- Express Bus
- Commuter Rail – a rail passenger service operated on tracks shared with freight traffic. Commuter rail is oriented to the peak period and typically serves suburban commuters to downtown employment areas.
 - 6 Alignments
 - 2 Operating Plans
 - 2 Technologies
- Light Rail Transit – an electronically powered rail passenger system used for urban transportation over distances usually shorter than distances by commuter rail.

In addition, the federal government requires the study of two “Baseline” Alternatives:

- No Build
- Transportation Systems Management (TSM) – Highway Expansion