

# NEPA Process and Project Timeline



## Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Process



### Scoping Process

Notice of Intent (NOI) published, initiating a formal scoping process and a public comment period.



### Draft EIS

Draft EIS approved by Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for public review.



### Public Comment Period

45-day period to receive public and agency input.



### Final EIS/Record of Decision

Combined Final EIS/Record of Decision (ROD) will identify the Preferred Corridor Alternative.



### FRA publishes Notice of Availability in Federal Register

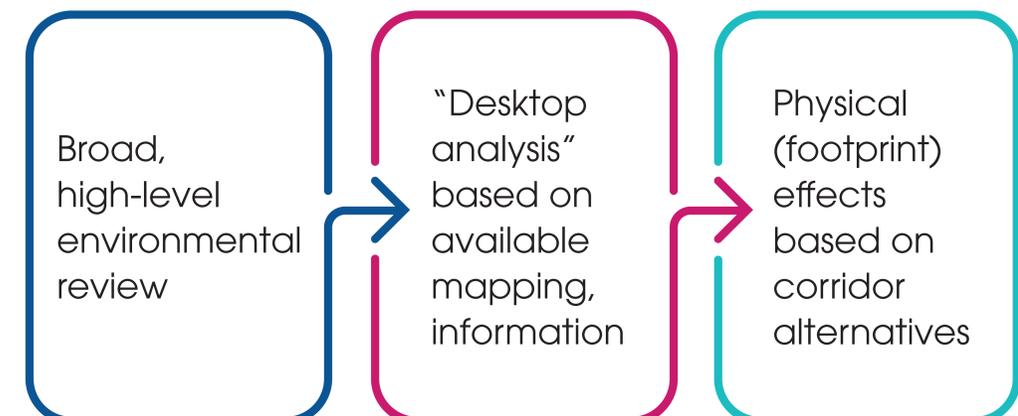


*Analysis will be refined during Tier 2 studies.*

## What's an EIS?

An EIS is a comprehensive study that provides the public and decision-makers with key information on the **alternatives under consideration** and their **potential impacts** to the built, natural, and human environments within the project study area.

### A Tier I EIS includes:



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