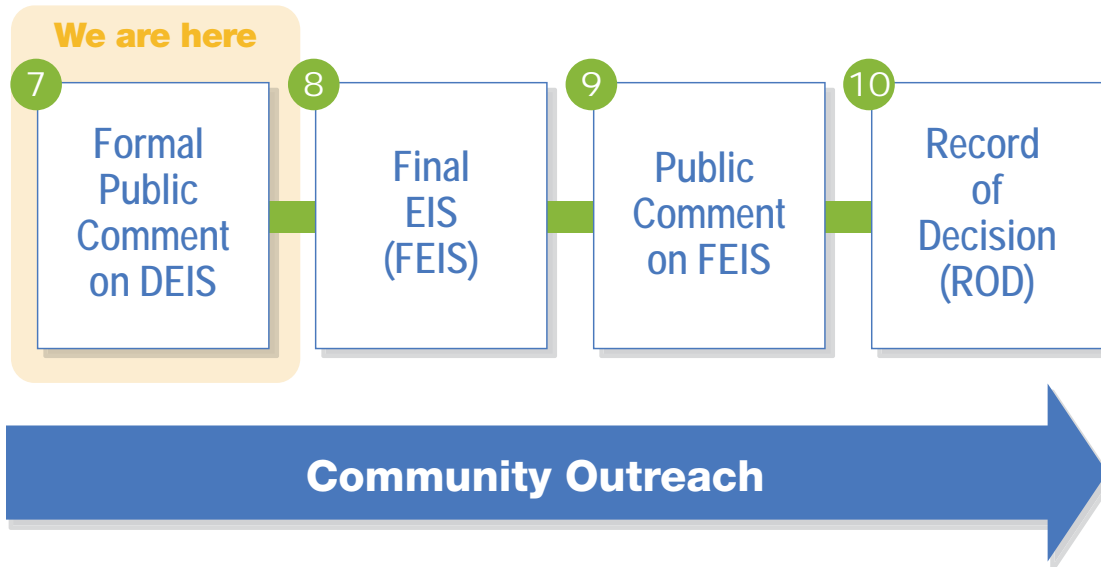


What Happens Next?

Next steps for the East Corridor after the public comment period ends include:



8 Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) public release – Summer 2009

The project team will consider and respond to public and agency comment from these hearings, hearings on the commuter rail maintenance facility, and additional public comment as they begin the preparation of the FEIS. Based on comments received and additional analysis, the Preferred Alternative and associated mitigations may be refined.

9 Public meetings after FEIS

The comment period and public meetings provide the community, stakeholders, and agencies another opportunity to comment on the Preferred Alternative and the FEIS analysis.

10 Record of Decision (ROD) – Fall 2009

After considering additional public input following the FEIS, it is expected that a ROD will be issued by FTA that specifies the project that will be built.