

# How Long Does it Take to Deliver Light Rail Service?

## What process would the City of Mesquite follow to deliver light rail?

**1. An Alternatives Analysis (AA)** that looks at different alignments is required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) if federal funds are used.



**2. Preliminary Engineering (PE)** – includes development of horizontal and vertical alignment, and preparation of Right of Way (ROW) documents.



**3. Final design (FD) and acquisition of right of way.**



**4. Construction of rail lines.**

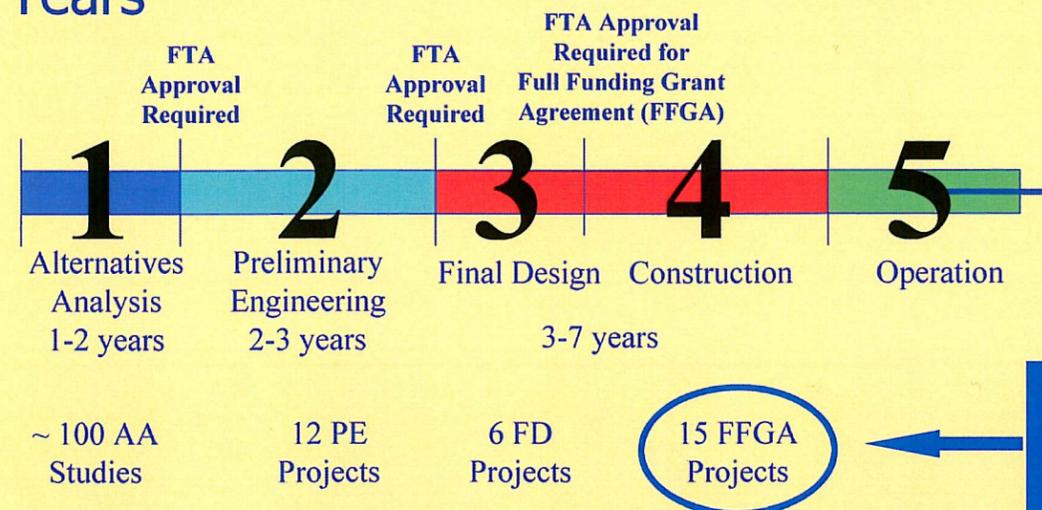


**5. Operation of light rail.**



## New Starts Project Development Process

- Project Development: Typically 6-12 Years



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