

### **Environmental Stakeholder Coordination**



## **Environmental Stakeholder Group Members**

- ▶ Forest Preserves of Cook County
- ▶ Friends of the Forest Preserve
- ▶ Openlands
- ▶ Build Quentin Right
- ▶ Deer Grove Natural Areas Volunteers
- ▶ Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways



### **Focus Groups**



Small groups of environmental stakeholder members were formed to provide open and transparent dialogue on important topics and share data and insight between various stakeholders.

Water

Animal / Vegetation

Roadway Character Safety for All Users

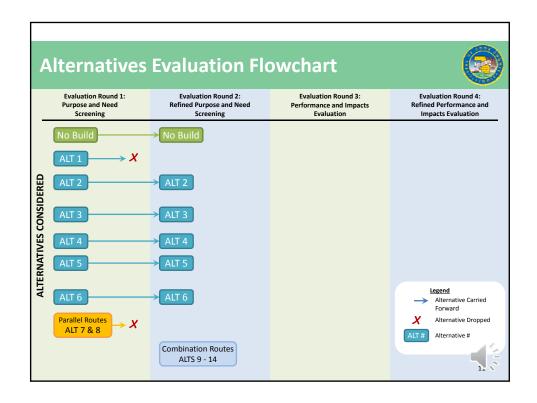


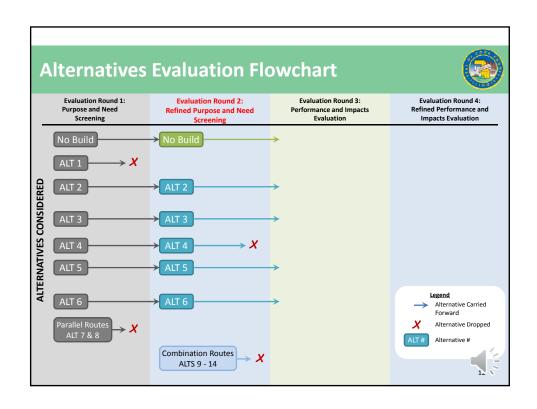
#### **Alternatives Evaluation Process**



- Four evaluation rounds with more detailed studies conducted in following rounds

  - **▶** Round 3 Performance and Impacts Evaluation
- Consistent, fair and transparent process
- Goal is to balance the transportation needs along the corridor while minimizing impacts to the adjacent human and natural resources of the corridor
- Cook County will make the ultimate decision while considering input from project stakeholders





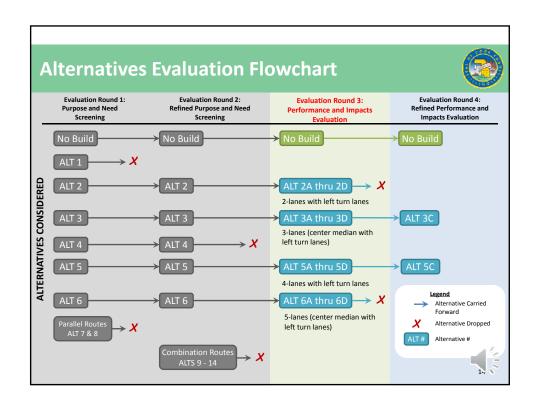
# Round 3 Results: Performance and Impacts Evaluation

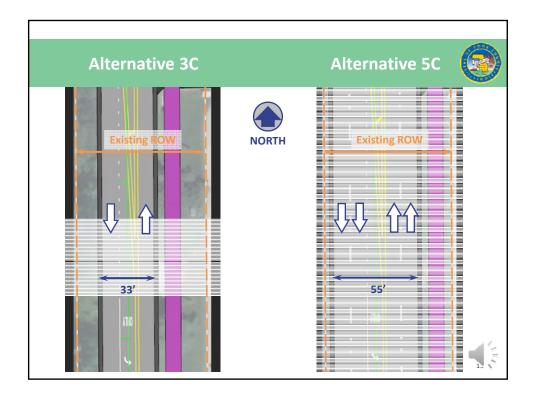


- Developed variations of alternatives (A D)
- Quantified environmental impacts
  - Right-of-way from the Forest Preserve and private property
  - Number of trees lost
  - > Acres of direct impacts to wetlands and floodplains
- Other environmental considerations

  - Water quality
  - Stormwater detention







# Round 4 Results: Refined Performance and Impacts Evaluation



- Evaluated Alternatives 3C and 5C
- ► Considered feedback from stakeholders and Focus Groups
- Included additional environmental criteria
- Completed additional environmental analyses
  - Water Quality
  - Salt Splash and Salt Spray
- ▶ Identified project specific features of each alternative
- Considered variances to standard design criteria to further reduce impacts



