

## U-3467 Project Development Process

The proposed project will involve state and federal funds. Any agency that proposes a project involving federal funds must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Under NEPA, an agency must study the adverse and beneficial environmental impacts of alternatives that meet a project's purpose and need and identify the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative (LEDPA). This planning process can be divided into the steps described below. This project is currently between Steps 5 and 6 of the process.

**STEP 1:** Initiate Project and Collect Data

**STEP 2:** Identify Alternatives

**STEP 3:** Conduct a Detailed Study of Alternatives

**STEP 4:** Environmental Assessment Document

**STEP 5:** Public Hearing

**STEP 6:** Selection of the Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative (LEDPA)

**STEP 7:** Finding of No Significant Impact Document

