



ASSEMBLY PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE WORKSESSION - LISTENING SESSION JUNEAU NORTH DOUGLAS CROSSING AGENDA

May 18, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Assembly Chambers/Zoom Webinar

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wish to honor the indigenous people of this land. For more than ten thousand years, Alaska Native people have been and continue to be integral to the well-being of our community. We are grateful to be in this place, a part of this community, and to honor the culture, traditions, and resilience of the Tlingit people. Gunalchéesh!

C. ROLL CALL

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

E. AGENDA TOPICS

1. Presentation from JDNC Project Team on the Level 1 Screening Process (10mn). Proposed route alternatives that made it through level 1 screening include: Mendenhall Peninsula, West Sunny Point Area, Sunny Point Area, Vanderbilt, Twin Lakes, & Salmon Creek. The Level 1 screening memo can be found on the project website at www.jdnorthcrossing.com
2. Public Testimony on Level 1 screening and proposed alternatives.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

In-Person: Testimony time will be limited by the Chair based on the number of participants. For in-person participation at the meeting, a sign-up sheet will be made available at the back of the Chambers and advance sign-up is not required. Members of the public are encouraged to send their comments in advance of the meeting to BoroughAssembly@juneau.gov.

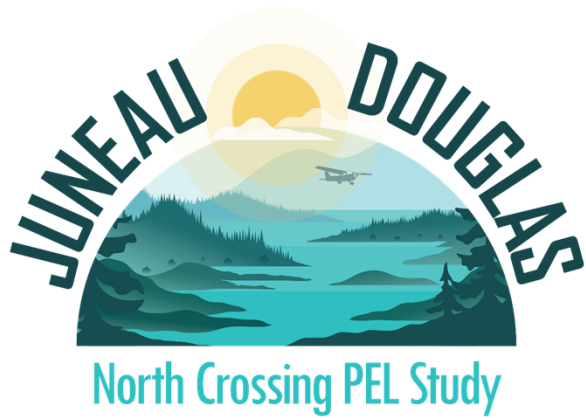
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G. SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

1. PEL Study and Public Involvement Update - Presentation

H. ADJOURNMENT

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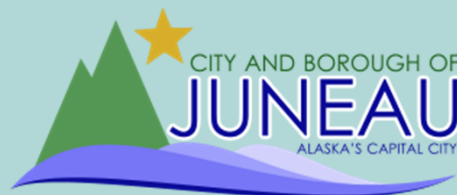
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PEL Study and Public Involvement Update

May 18, 2023

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by DOT&PF pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated April 13, 2023, and executed by FHWA and DOT&PF.

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SCHEDULE

SPRING 2022

SUMMER / FALL 2022

WINTER / SPRING 2022 / 2023

SUMMER / FALL 2023



Project Initiation, Problems to be Solved, Purpose & Need: Emerging Themes



Evaluation Criteria, Develop & Screen Alternatives



Evaluate, Refine, & Select Alternatives



Finalize Documentation

Baseline Analysis, Data Collection, Purpose & Need: Emerging Themes

Identify Crossing Alternatives and Develop Screening Criteria

Screening, Recommended Alternatives, Draft PEL Study

Public Comment Period (30 days) and Finalize PEL Study



PURPOSE & NEED STATEMENT



PURPOSE

The **purpose** of the Juneau Douglas North Crossing PEL Study is to identify ways to improve the connection between Douglas Island and Juneau.

The secondary purposes are to identify ways to improve transportation for non-motorized users and reduce transportation related energy consumption.



NEED

An improved connection to Douglas Island should address the following needs:

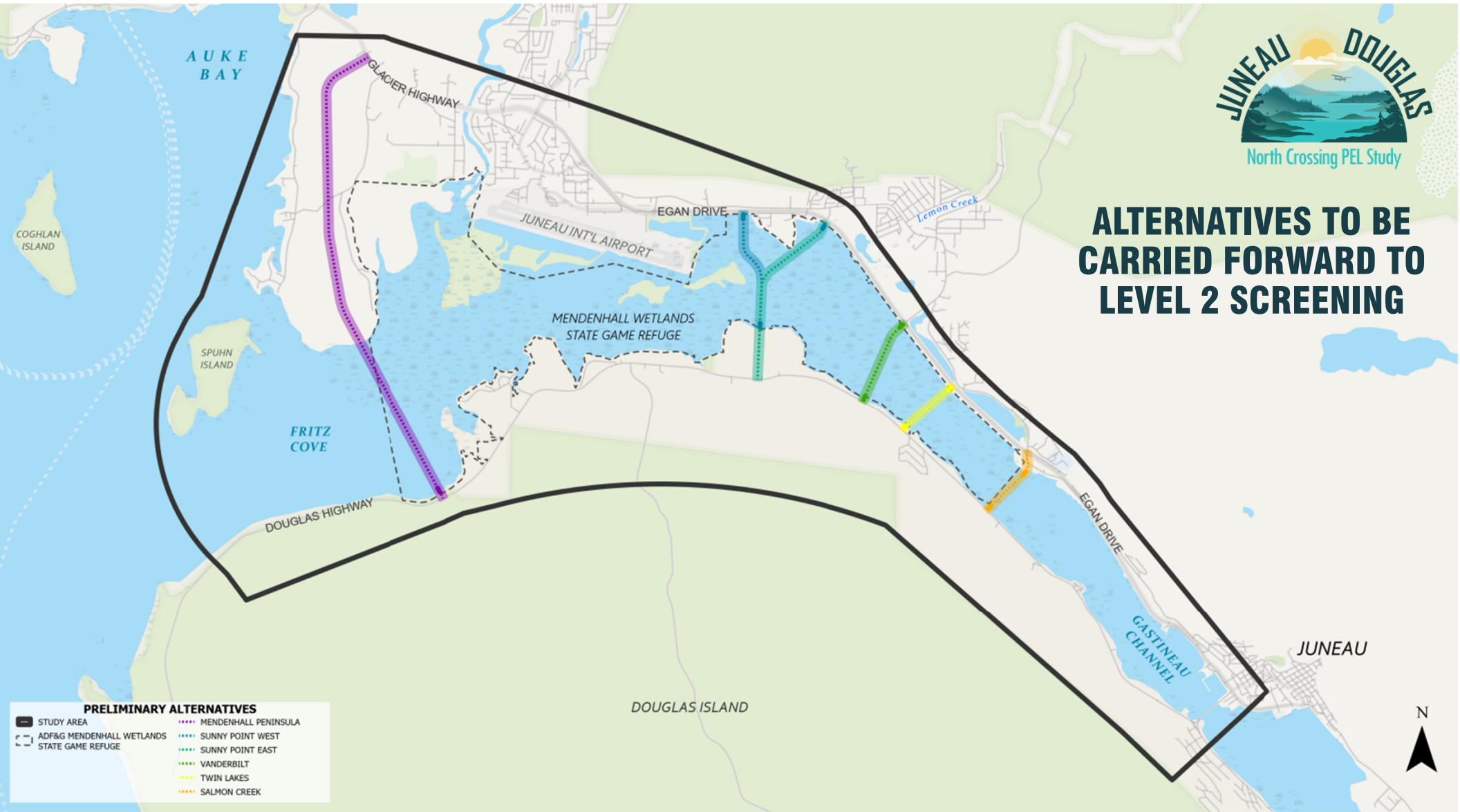
- **Alternate access and transportation infrastructure resiliency**
- **Decrease traffic pressure on Douglas Island Bridge and its intersections**

*The identified alternative(s) should also strive to meet these **additional goals**:*

- Improve connection to North and West Douglas Island by creating additional traffic capacity to support the future development of affordable housing and economic development opportunities.
- Enhance and protect public health and safety and safety of travelers and the communities that transportation facilities traverse and serve.
- Transportation improvements should avoid, minimize, and mitigate impacts to the environment and to residential areas.
- Transportation improvements should maintain the visual, cultural, and scenic identity of Juneau and Douglas Island.



ALTERNATIVES TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO LEVEL 2 SCREENING



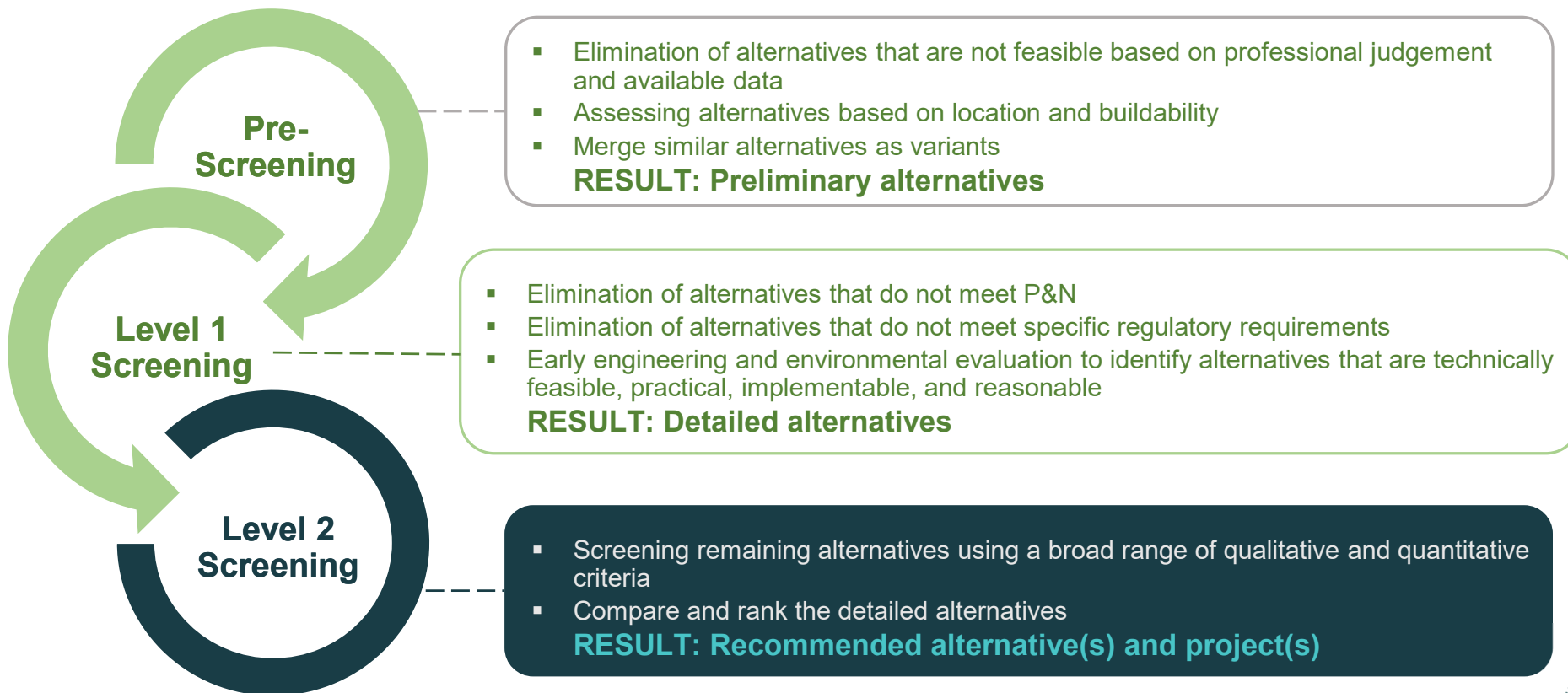
ORIGIN-DESTINATION STUDY

PROPORTION OF EXISTING TRAFFIC VOLUMES FORECASTED TO SHIFT TO EACH ALTERNATIVE

| Alternative | Mendenhall | West Sunny Point Area | Sunny Point Area | Vanderbilt | Twin Lakes | Salmon Creek |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Traffic Using Alternative | 5-15% | 20-30% | | | 40% | |
| Traffic Using Existing Bridge | 85-95% | 70-80% | | | 60% | |



ALTERNATIVE SCREENING OVERVIEW – LEVEL 2



AFTER THE PEL STUDY WRAPS UP

PEL Study
Complete in Fall 2023

Funding Allocated

Funding now programmed to advance through Preliminary Engineering and NEPA

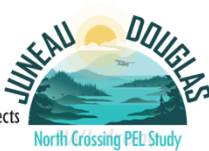
Engineering Design
Approx. 2 Years (TBD)

Construction
Likely phased over several years

Preliminary Engineering and NEPA
2024-2026 (Approx. 2 Years)

ROW Acquisition
2 Years or more (TBD)

Dependent project scoring ranked against other nominated projects



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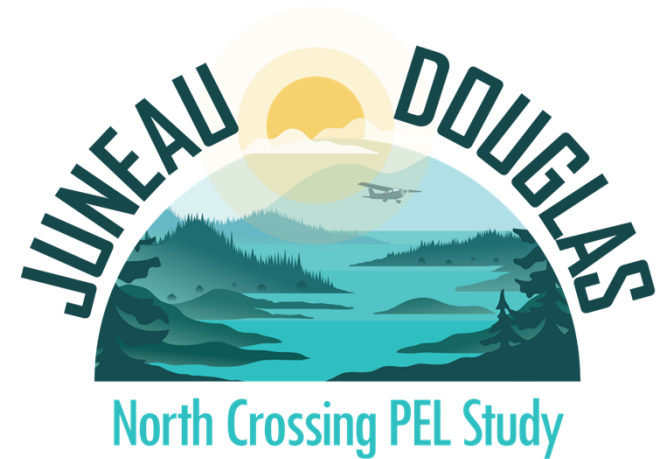
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