

Major Milestones of the DTOGS Project

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Following is a summary of key dates in the Detroit Transit Options for Growth Study (DTOGS) project, from project commencement, to the selection of light rail on Woodward Avenue between downtown Detroit and Eight Mile Road as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA), to the present day, which includes the issue of this Expanded LPA Report.

August 2006	DTOGS project commenced.
March 2007	Conduct of first set of public meetings to kick off the DTOGS project and to introduce preliminary set of alternatives and corridors.
July 2007	Conducted Early Scoping Meetings (second set of public meetings) and to present transit technologies and second level of corridor evaluation (conceptual alternatives).
February 2008	Completed preliminary technical evaluation of twelve detailed transit alternatives.
March 2008	Selection of light rail on Woodward Avenue as the LPA by the DTOGS Technical Committee. The third and final set of public meetings was conducted to present Draft LPA.
April 2008	DDOT held press conference to publicly announce light rail on Woodward Avenue as the LPA.
June 2008	Published the Draft LPA Report.
June 2008	SEMCOG amended its Regional Transportation Plan to include light rail on Woodward Avenue.
July 2008	SEMCOG amended its Transportation Improvement Plan to include light rail on Woodward Avenue.
August 2008	Initiated Application to enter Preliminary Engineering and the FTA New Starts submittal process.
September 2008	Initiated Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
April 2009	DDOT issues DTOGS Expanded LPA Report. Expanded document responds to comments received by the Detroit Department of Transportation from the Federal Transit Administration on February 6, 2009.

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