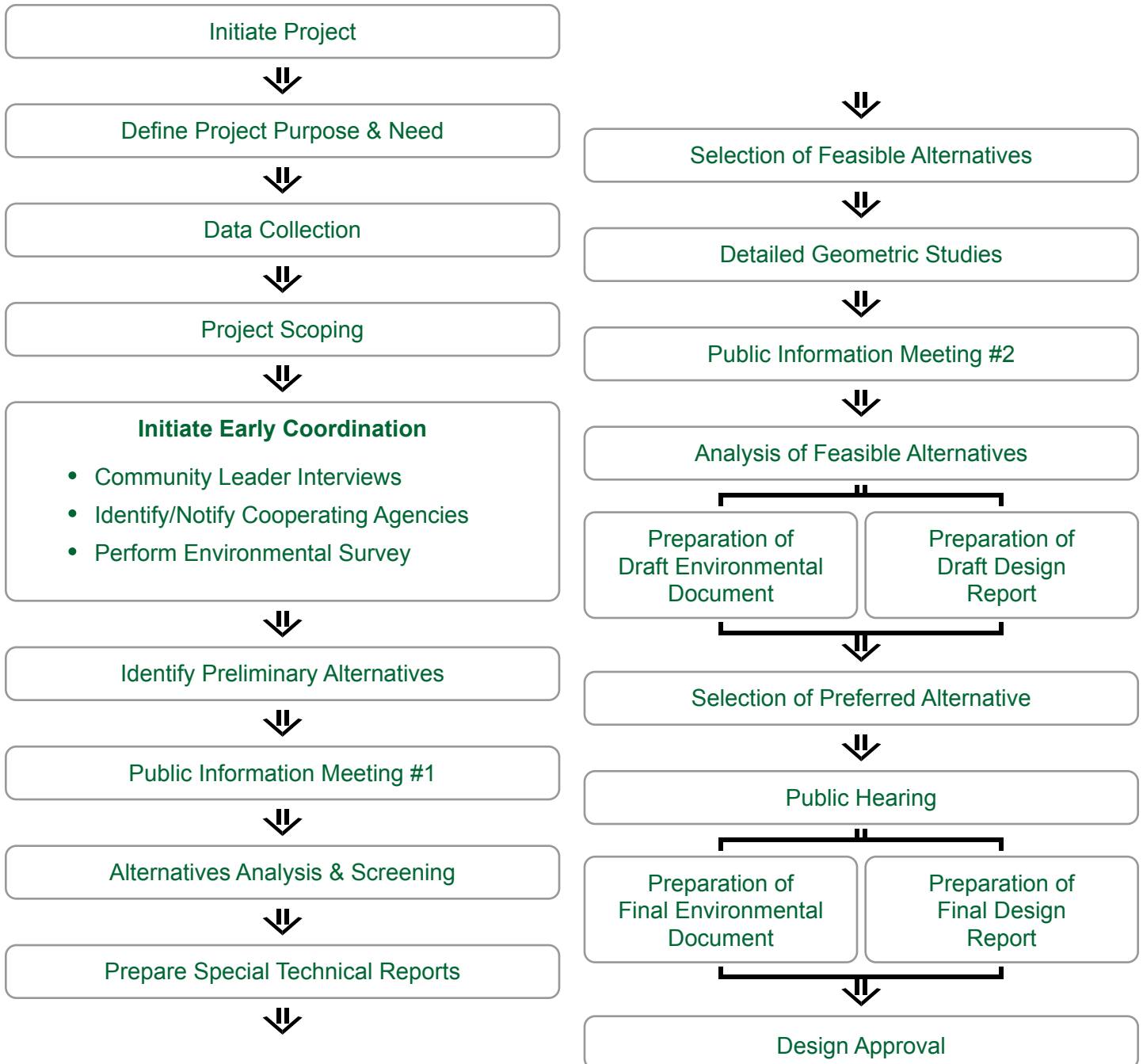


## Schedule - Diagram



## Schedule - Text, page 1

- Initiate Project -** In 2001, the Will County Department of Highways entered into agreements with three engineering firms to begin a preliminary engineering study of the Caton Farm Road - Bruce Road corridor.
- Define Project Purpose & Need -** The Purpose and Need identifies and describes the proposed action and the transportation problem which it is intended to address.
- Data Collection -** Obtain necessary traffic data, accident data, right-of-way information, environmental data and other documents which aid in preparing the engineering study.
- Project Scoping -** Scoping is intended to focus the study effort on issues that are significant and avoid the collection of needless detailed information on insignificant issues.
- Initiate Early Coordination -**
- a. Community Leader Interviews - Project team will meet with community leaders to discuss and determine the critical issues of the project as they are perceived by the individual communities.
  - b. Identify/Notify Cooperating Agencies - Begin the process of project coordination with the many cooperating agencies involved.
  - c. Perform Environmental Survey - The environmental survey process initiates preliminary review of a projects' impacts on cultural, biological, and wetland resources.
- Identify Preliminary Alternatives -** A full ranges of alternatives will be developed and considered.
- Public Information Meeting #1 -** Preliminary Alternatives will be presented for public comment. Tentatively scheduled for March 2001.
- Alternatives Analysis & Screening -** The alternative analysis evaluates all of the environmental factors (ie. cultural, biological, socio-economic, air quality, noise) for all the alternatives.
- Prepare Special Technical Reports -** Preparation of reports that document progress in environmental areas.

## Schedule - Text, page 2

- Selection of Feasible Alternatives -** Those alternatives determined not to be practicable or reasonable will be discarded.
- Detailed Geometric Studies -** Prepare preliminary design plans for remaining alternatives.
- Public Information Meeting #2 -** Feasible Alternatives will be presented for public comment.
- Analysis of Feasible Alternatives -** More detailed studies of the environmental factors in light of public and agency comments.
- Preparation of Draft Environmental Document -** Begin the process of formally documenting all environmental activities.
- Preparation of Draft Design Report -** Begin the process of formally documenting all design activities.
- Selection of Preferred Alternative -** Following the completion of the draft reports, a preferred alternative is selected.
- Public Hearing -** Preferred Alternative will be presented for final public comments.
- Preparation of Final Environmental Document -** Complete the process of formal documentation of all environmental activities.
- Preparation of Final Design Report -** Complete the process of formal documentation of all design activities.
- Design Approval -** Project is complete.