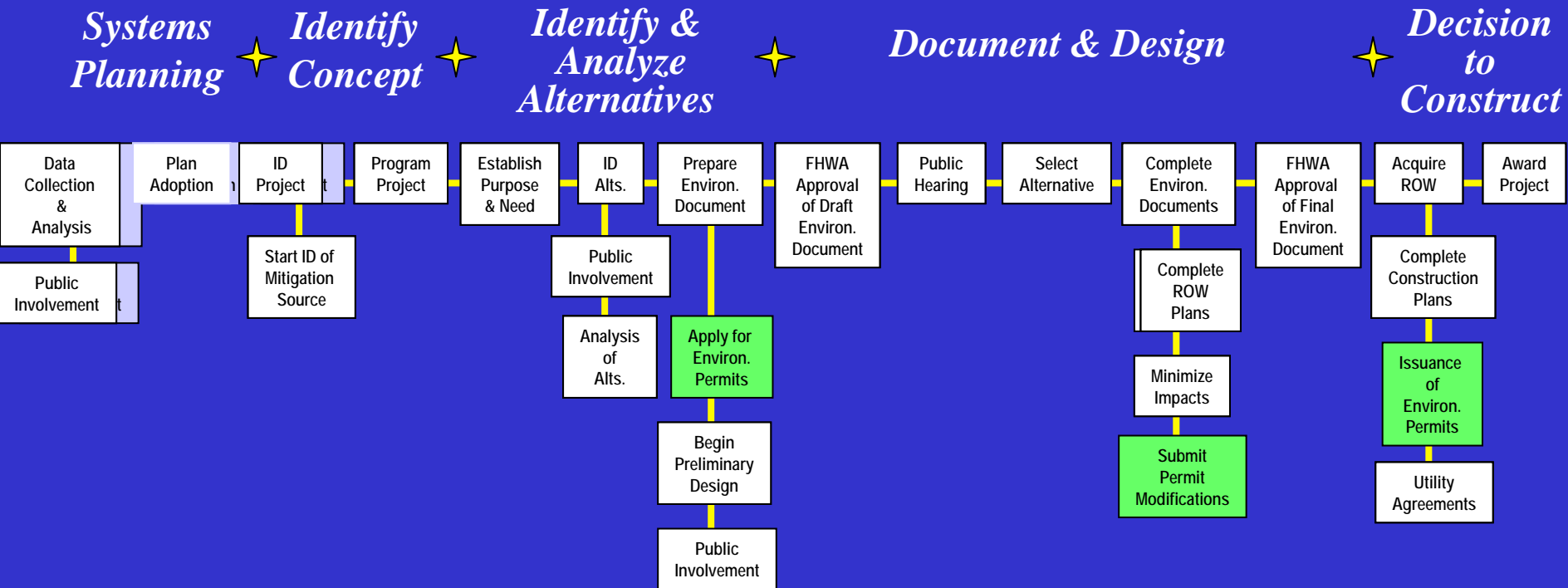


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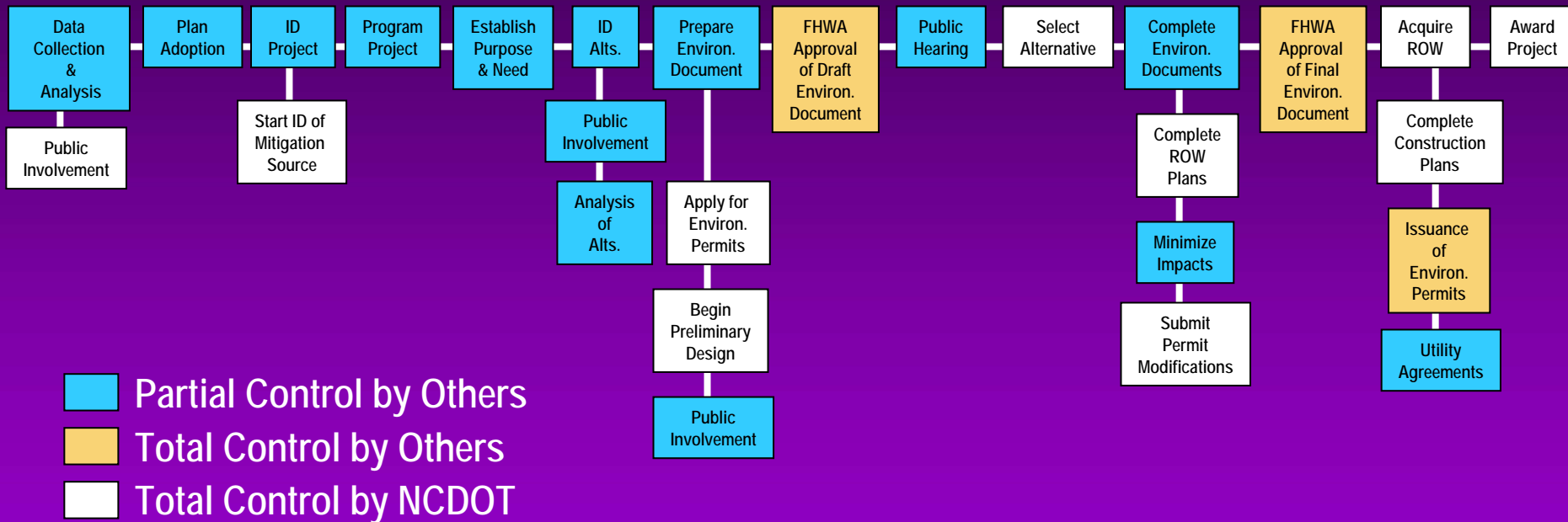
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Systems Planning ✦ *Identify Concept* ✦ *Identify & Analyze Alternatives* ✦ *Document & Design* ✦ *Decision to Construct*



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