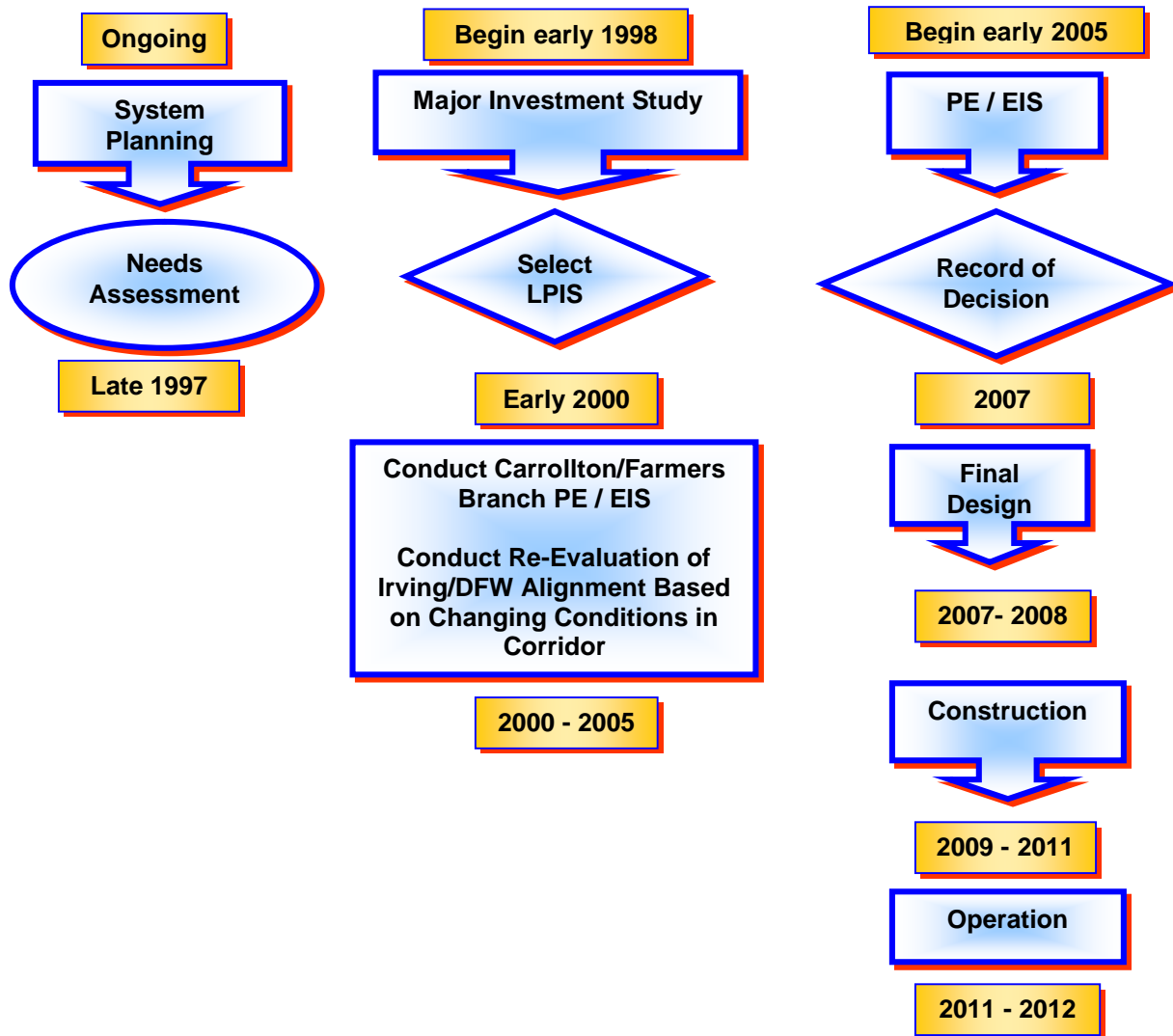




impediment to the MIS alignment. This development has also prompted the City of Irving to reconsider how well the proposed project would serve growing activity centers. DART has worked with the City of Irving, property owners, and other stakeholders to revise the original MIS LPIS alignment so as to address these concerns and better serve the activities in the corridor.

**Figure 1-4
Project Development Process**



Starting in 2001, the **DFW International Airport Rail Planning and Implementation Study** was conducted to determine the feasibility and possible routes for providing LRT and commuter rail to the Central Terminal Area of the airport. The study was completed in February 2002, and identified three options for the DART Irving/DFW LRT Line to enter the airport from the north, south, or central. No preference for any the three alignments was made nor recommended; the study noted that DART would determine the preferred alignment during the Irving/DFW PE/EIS. The three airport access options prompted consideration of alternative LRT options through north Irving, which were developed, studied, discussed with stakeholders and presented to the public during public meetings conducted in 2004 and 2005. A detailed description of the alignment modifications made since completion of the MIS is provided in Section 2.1.5 in Chapter 2.