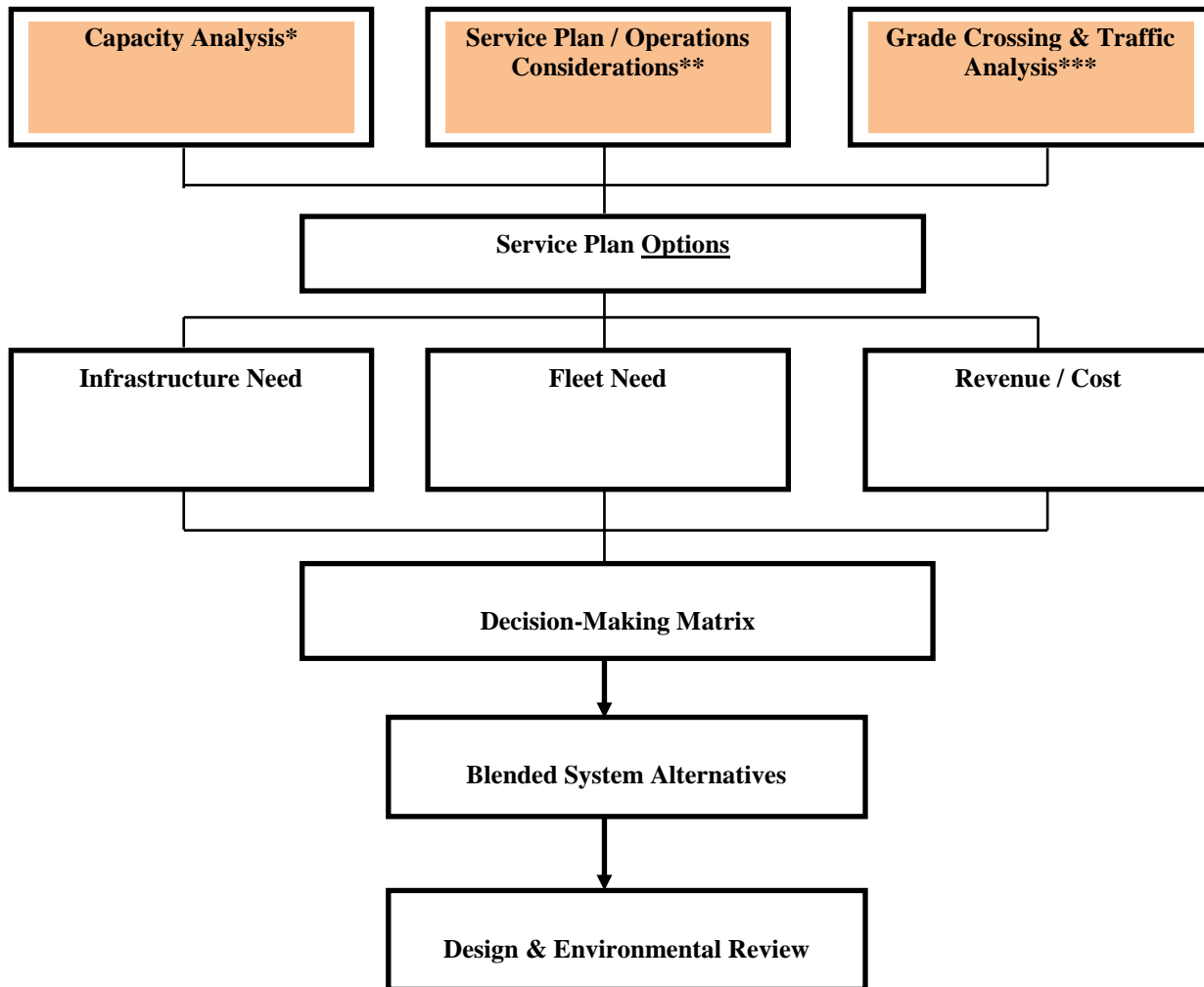


Caltrain / HSR Blended System Planning Process

The following is a visual depiction of the proposed planning process for conceptually defining the blended system.



The process is focused on:

1. Gathering technical information and education about priority operational issues
2. Using technical information to inform development of the blended service options
3. Identifying tradeoffs for each option related to infrastructure / fleet needs and revenue/cost assumptions
4. Developing a decision-making matrix and facilitating policy discussions
5. Selecting project alternatives for environmental evaluation

In 2012, Caltrain conducted the **HSR/Caltrain Blended Operations Analysis** *, which showed that a blended system is operationally viable in the peninsula corridor. Following, in 2013, Caltrain prepared two studies called the **HSR/Caltrain Blended Service Plan/Operations Considerations Analysis** ** and the **HSR/Caltrain Blended Grade Crossing and Traffic Analysis** ***. All three studies address step #1 in the process described above.

Tasks associated with the remaining boxes are to be conducted. Timing is to be developed allowing for prioritization of the peninsula corridor electrification program delivery and consistency with the CHSRA business plan.

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