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### West Lake Commuter Rail Extension

Q: Will NICTD use diesel or electric, and does moving forward/decision depend upon what Chicago can accommodate?

A: Initially, as a base assumption, NICTD used a dual powered locomotive in order to establish a base cost projection compliant with Chicago's lakefront ordinance. Other options such as all electric or diesel will be tested against this base assumption, which could change route alignments and terminating stations in Chicago. This issue and other physical attributes of the extension are subject to further engineering and analysis as part of environmental review and further project development. 3-21-14