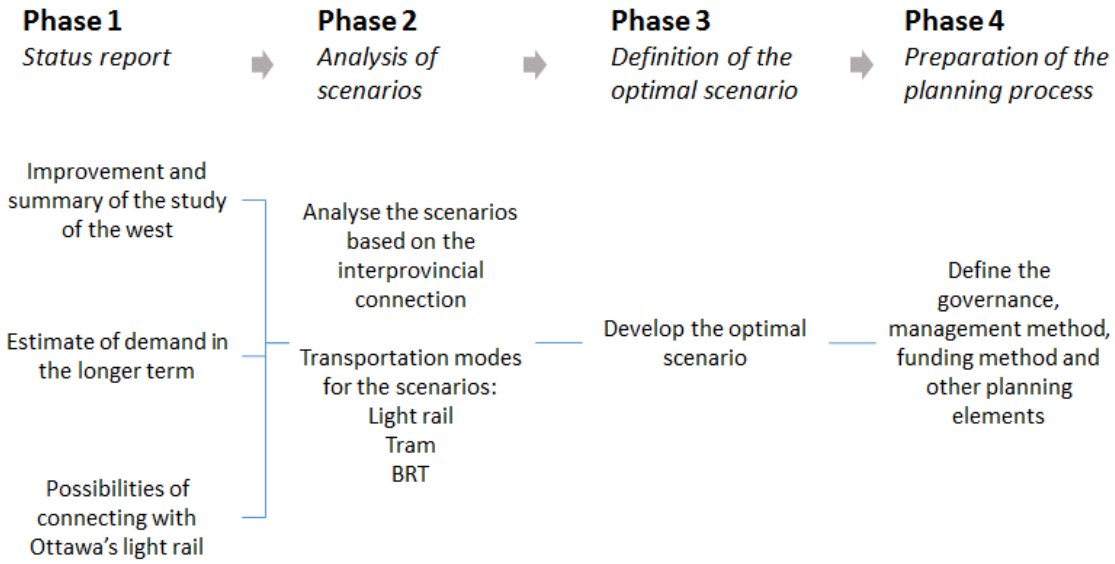
Overview of the mandate for the new study:

Additional analyses for the planning process for an efficient transit system in Gatineau's west end

The STO plans to award an additional mandate to expand on the completed study to ensure that the solution chosen will enable optimal alignment with Ottawa's system, be sustainable in the long term and be part of a regional vision. In particular, it will help to determine the mode to be implemented in this sector, taking into account the aspects related to the alignment with Ottawa, and the relevance of rehabilitating each of the bridges to accommodate the interprovincial link and ensure connections with future structuring rail axes in Gatineau in the long term.

This mandate will help to supplement the project's planning process, which details the most suitable option for the long term, in response to the sector's needs.

The major phases of the additional analysis are:



A consultation stage is planned in phase 2 of the mandate and an information session is planned at the end of phase 3.

The planned timeframe is:

- Launch of the call for tenders: March 2018
- Awarding of the mandate - STO Board: end of May 2018
- Definition of the optimal scenario: February 2019
- Preliminary design for the optimal scenario: March 2020

The new mandate will be financed by contributions from the federal government (50%) and provincial government (40%) under the financial assistance program of the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF).