

## CHAPTER 6

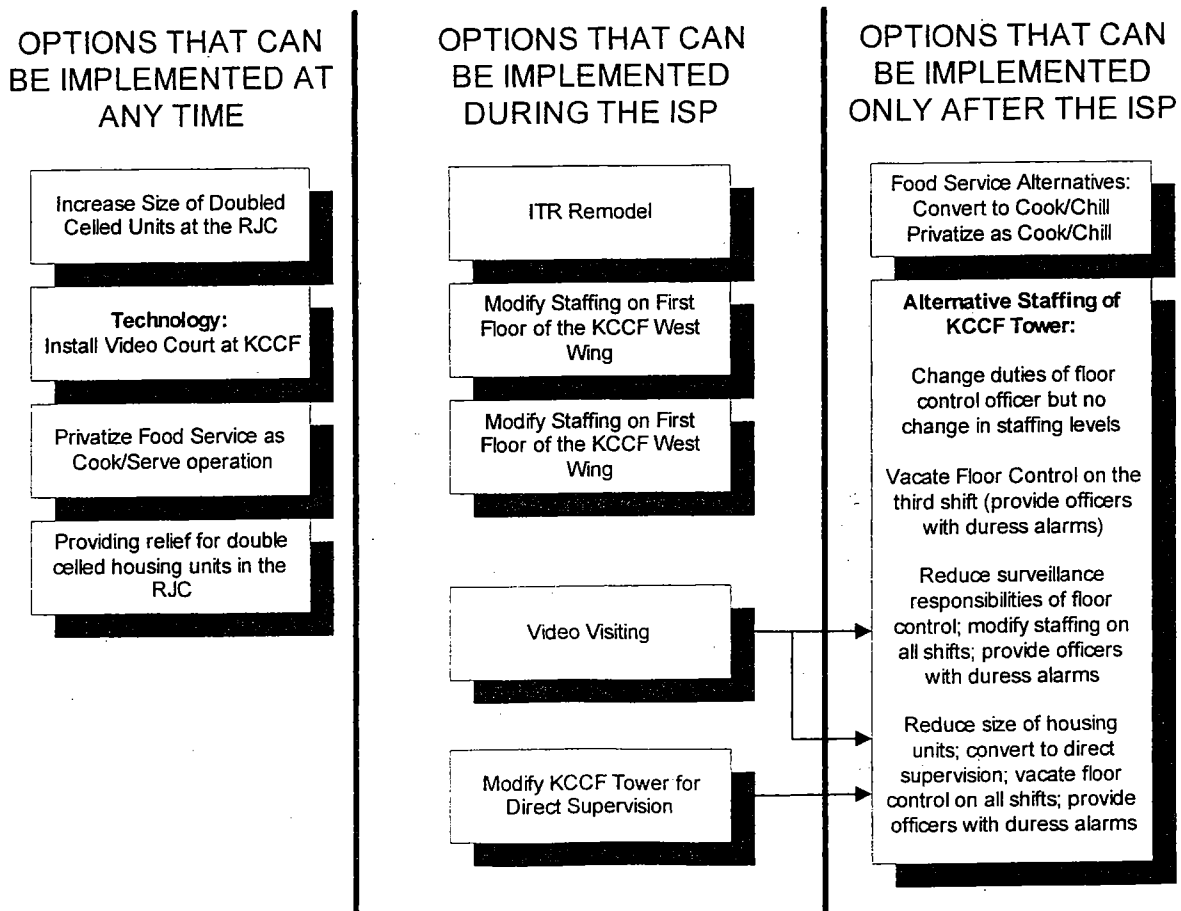
### OPERATIONAL ALTERNATIVES

#### INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents operational alternatives that King County may wish to consider as means to increase efficiencies in the DAJD's Adult Detention Division.

Some of these options are inter-related and some are mutually exclusive. Some may be implemented whenever deemed appropriate. Others can be implemented during the Integrated Security Project. Still more, including those with the greatest potential for cost savings, cannot be implemented until after completion of the ISP. Finally, there are options that may someday prove cost-effective or otherwise desirable but that have no immediate measurable effect on efficiency or relationship to the ISP project. A few options that were analyzed do not appear to increase efficiency or have other reasons why they should be implemented.

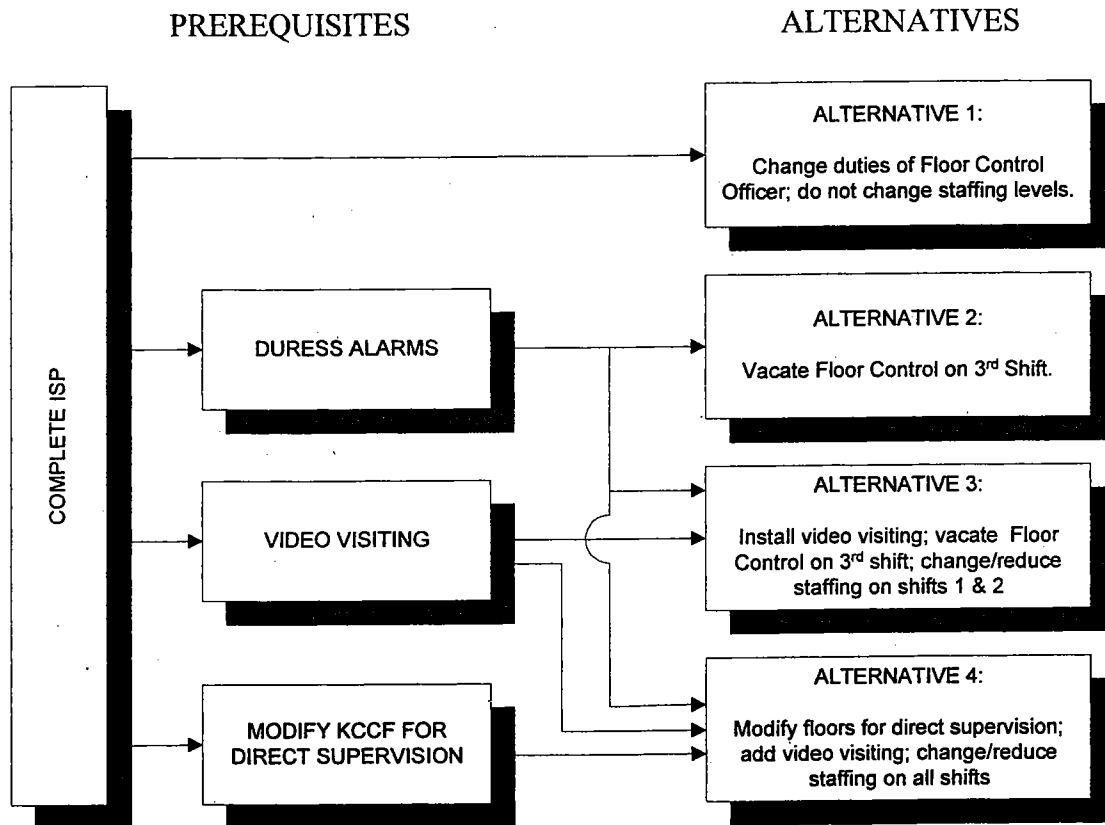
The following diagram shows the relationship of various options to each other and over time.



supervision post with surveillance responsibilities in the core; reduce the number of Activity Officers; and vacate floor control on the third shift.

4. Make modifications to housing units to convert most of KCCF to direct supervision with a minimum of inmate movement outside the housing units; vacate floor control on all shifts.

Some of these alternatives involve other changes in operation or current facility design. These are as shown in the following figure:



#### DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS OF ALTERNATIVES:

1. *Change the duties and responsibilities of the floor control officer to a Core Officer, but do not reduce staffing below current levels. Maximize use of new electronic systems. The intent of this alternative is to explore other ways of doing business that, with a completed ISP, may improve the safety, security, accountability, and effectiveness of jail housing operations.*

The primary change proposed here is to make Floor Control a non-fixed post called a Core Officer. The primary duties are to support activities that occur in the core area of each floor. This is the area just outside the floor control booth that leads into the housing units, elevators, yard-outs, multi-purpose room, visiting, and other functions. Certain functions, such as checking radios and keys in and out at the end and beginning of every shift, would remain unchanged. Otherwise, the Core Officer would usually not be in the control booth and would directly support the housing unit officers by providing inmate supervision in the core. At such times the remote operation of doors on the core would be taken over by Central Control and the Core Officer would communicate with Central and others by radio. When inmates