

METRO Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit

METRO Orange Line is a planned bus rapid transit (BRT) line between Minneapolis, Richfield, Bloomington, and Burnsville. The Orange Line will benefit existing riders and attract new riders by improving transit access, service, and reliability on the I-35W corridor. Additionally, an identifiable, high-amenity brand will increase the visibility of transit and leverage service improvements.

All-day, frequent BRT service will complement local and express bus routes along I-35W, providing competitive running times for station-to-station trips and a new option for reverse-commute markets. The Orange Line would provide 10-minute peak frequency and 15-minute off-peak frequency, at least 16 hours per day, seven days a week.

As a part of the METRO system, the Orange Line will connect people across the region to job centers, housing options, transit stations, and key destinations in the I-35W corridor. The Orange Line will improve access to 162,000 jobs and 64,000 residents, including 30,000 jobs and 40,000 residents outside of downtown Minneapolis. Orange Line station areas contain over 10% of the jobs within the seven-county metropolitan area at over 4,600 businesses. I-35W is one of the region's busiest highways, carrying over 210,000 vehicles and 14,000 transit riders daily.

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Planned Lake Street Station



- » 16-mile transitway
- » 11 transit stations with enhanced amenities
- » All-day, reliable, frequent service
- » Real-time information on platforms
- » Accessibility and pedestrian improvements
- » New park-and-ride at American Boulevard
- » Forecasted to open in 2019