

CHAPTER SEVEN: IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

This report outlines a comprehensive near-term service plan for north Minneapolis and the northwest suburbs and is the fourth report of this study. An Existing Conditions report was completed in 2003, and the Concept Plan was published in April 2006. The Recommended Plan, which was presented to the public and the Metropolitan Council's Transportation Committee in November 2006, incorporated feedback from stakeholder and public workshops held in late May and early June 2006. The Final Plan was approved by the Metropolitan Council in December 2006. Implementation of urban local and most express route changes is planned for June 2007, and most of the suburban local route changes will occur in 2008 or when the Starlite Transit Center expansion is complete.

TIMELINE

December 2006 – Final plan approved by the Metropolitan Council.

March 2007-Route 767 implementation and 63rd Avenue Park and Ride opens.

June 2007 - Implementation of urban local and most express route changes (Routes 5, 7, 14, 19, 22, 29, 32, 720, 722, 723, 724, 755, 756, 758, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, and 801).

The remaining route changes will occur when Starlite Transit Center expansion is complete (Routes 705, 714, 715, 716, 717, 721, 754, 755, and 756).