2024 Construction Overview
March 2024

About the Gold Line project

METRO Gold Line is a planned 10-mile bus rapid transit (BRT) line between St. Paul and Woodbury with bus-only lanes being constructed generally north of and near Interstate 94. Gold Line will provide frequent, all-day service in both directions through 16 stations with enhanced features and four Park & Rides, connecting new upgraded trails and sidewalks.

2023 construction areas will see continued work occur in 2024 as crews finish paving, install sidewalks, build station platforms, and install landscaping.

Overview of Gold Line BRT construction phases

1. Site preparation
   Fall 2022-Ongoing
   Remove trees, debris, buildings, and prepare site for construction.

2. Utility relocation
   Fall 2022-Ongoing
   Relocate and install new public (water, sewer, etc.) and private (electric, gas, communications) utilities.

3. Infrastructure improvements
   Fall 2022-Fall 2024
   Construct bridges, sidewalks, walls, and road along the route including new dedicated BRT lanes.

4. Station construction
   Spring 2023-Fall 2024
   Construct station platforms, shelters, and Park & Ride areas.

5. Station area and final site cleanup
   Summer 2024-Fall 2024
   Install station communication equipment, landscaping, amenities, and final site cleanup.

6. Operations testing
   Fall 2024-Early 2025
   Test buses and station equipment.

7. Gold Line opens
   2025
   Begin passenger service.
Downtown St. Paul Construction
- Construction of downtown stations and platforms
- Lane and sidewalk closures around station areas
- Utility work near station areas

St. Paul Construction
St. Paul: Kellogg Boulevard to Etna Street/Highway 61
- Johnson Parkway closed: spring - summer 2024
- Wilson Avenue lane closure between Johnson Parkway and Etna Street: summer 2023
- Etna Street, 3rd Street, and Burns Avenue intersection closes: summer 2024
- Maple Street pedestrian bridge over I-94 reopens summer 2024
- I-94 weekend closure: mid-summer 2024

2024 Construction Work Zones
- Continued construction work areas
- New 2024 construction work areas
- Future Gold Line route

St. Paul: Etna Street/Highway 61 to White Bear Avenue
- White Bear Avenue: ramps and road closure: spring 2024-fall 2024
- Hudson Road closed between White Bear Avenue and Ruth Street: spring - summer 2024
- Hudson Road local access only between Old Hudson Road and White Bear Avenue: spring-fall 2023

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St. Paul: White Bear Avenue to McKnight Road
- Old Hudson Road access detours between Ruth Street and McKnight Road: spring - fall 2024
- McKnight Road at I-94 week-long closure: summer 2024

Maplewood, Oakdale, and Woodbury Construction
Maplewood: McKnight Road to Century Avenue
- Century Avenue lane and road closures: spring 2024

Oakdale: Hudson Road, Hadley, 4th Street and Helmo Avenue
- Hudson Road and Hadley Avenue: lane closures and road closures: spring-fall 2024
- 4th Street closure and bridge reconstruction: fall 2024
- I-694 closures for bridge reconstruction: spring-summer 2024
- Helmo Avenue closed: spring-summer 2024

Woodbury: Bielenberg Drive and Guider Drive
- Guider Drive closure between Bielenberg Drive and Woodlane Drive: spring-summer 2024

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Schedule tentative and subject to change. Site prep work in all areas may occur prior to construction activities.
What to expect during construction

Metro Transit is committed to minimizing the inconveniences associated with construction and providing notification of upcoming work and impacts. Here’s how you can stay updated:

- Learn about upcoming work and construction impacts. Visit the Gold Line website to sign up for email updates and view an interactive map: metrotransit.org/gold-line-construction
- Email or call project staff for questions and concerns: goldline@metrotransit.org or 651-602-1919
- Project staff, as needed, will provide advance notification of impacts through mailings, emails, and flyers.

Construction work hours

- Typical working hours for construction crews are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday
- Some Sunday and overnight work may occur

Road closures, lane restrictions and detours

- Advance signage of road closures placed prior to a closure
- Detour routes identified, and detour signs installed during any closure
- Advance notice of road closures provided to nearby property owners
- Access to properties always available; alternate access points and detours may be used

Sidewalk and trail closures and detours

- People who walk, bike, and roll provided a detour route during any sidewalk and trail closure
- Advance notice of sidewalk closures provided to nearby property owners
- Access to properties always available; alternate access points and detours may be used

Bus service

- Existing bus routes may be detoured, and stops may be closed and/or relocated
- Check metrotransit.org for updates and sign up to receive rider alerts for bus routes

Deliveries

- Access to properties for deliveries always available and visible; alternate access points and detours may be used

Construction vehicle traffic

- Expect construction vehicles and trucks hauling materials in and out of the area
- Haul routes coordinated with cities and counties to minimize impacts to residents, businesses and drivers

Noise and vibrations

- Noise and vibration levels may be higher than typical non-construction times
- On-site monitoring of noise and vibrations is occurring to ensure that they do not exceed acceptable levels

Dust

- Construction activities can create dust
- Sweeping and water trucks used to minimize dust and dirt blowing from the work areas

Site appearance

- Construction sites kept clean through regular waste removal and street sweeping

Site safety and security

- Construction sites involve the movement of heavy equipment and activities
- Sites are secured; do not enter construction sites

Property damage

- The contractor is committed to avoiding damage to surrounding properties. If you think damage to your property has occurred due to construction activities, call the project hotline as soon as possible

Stay informed:

Website: metrotransit.org/gold-line-construction
View an interactive map: zan.mysocialpinpoint.com/goldlinebrt
Contact project staff with questions, comments, or concerns:
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