METRO Orange Line Update
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• 17 miles, 11 stations, Guideway Improvements
  • Minneapolis (2 stations + downtown)
  • Richfield (2 stations)
  • Bloomington (2 stations)
  • Burnsville (1 station)
• Major accessibility improvements
• 2040 Daily Ridership: 26,500
  • 11,400 on BRT
  • 15,100 on 35W Express routes
Knox Avenue: Orange Line Routing Options
Knox Avenue: Direct Route

SECTION A-A

Design concepts provided by Metro Transit

SECTION B-B
Knox Avenue: Bowed Route

Design concepts provided by property owner
Six-Month Look Ahead

• Environmental work
• Orange Line Engineering contract
• Complete 2040 ridership forecasting
• Draft Project Management Plan
• Update Public Engagement Plan
• Financial Plan & Grant Applications
• Technical Issue resolution:
  • Knox Avenue layout
  • Downtown access
  • Burnsville terminus
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