Welcome to METRO Orange Line
I-494 Corridor Commission Tour
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Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit

- 17 miles, 12 Stations
- Access, comfort, and technology improvements
- Frequent service 20 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Construction starts in 2017, open in 2019
- Improved connecting bus service
- $150M capital cost
- 26,400 daily rides by 2040
- Connects 194,000 jobs on Orange Line
- 56,000 jobs are outside of downtown Mpls
# Project Schedule

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- **Environmental Work**
  - Secure all local funds
  - Apply for FTA Small Starts
  - Negotiate SSGA
  - Execute SSGA

- **Engineering**

- **Construction**

- **Service**
Orange Line Funding

- Funds secured to date: $36.5M (24%)
- 2016 State Funding Need- $12.1M
- FTA application due summer 2016 requires all local commitments prior to application
Lake Street Station – Existing Conditions
Lake Street Station
Lake Street Station

During peak hours, over 100 buses per hour will connect Lake Street to the heart of downtown in 7 minutes.
46th Street Station

- Kingfield, Regina, Field, and Tangletown neighborhoods
- Nicollet Avenue businesses
- Connections to Washburn High School, Southwest High School, Blue Line, Highland Village, 50th & France
66th Street Station

- 66th and Lyndale retail hub
- Dense multifamily housing at Lyndale
- Academy of Holy Angels
- Woodlake Nature Center & Richfield Lake
- Penn Central businesses
- Connections to Mall of America, VA Medical Center, Southdale Shopping Center, Fairview Southdale, Galleria
MONUMENT SIGN WITH VERTICAL LIGHT ELEMENT, TVM & DISPLAY MONITOR

SOUTH BOUND PLATFORM

66TH STREET

12' 24'

35W

66TH ST
76th Street Station

- Best Buy world headquarters
- Meridian Crossings
- 77th and Lyndale retail hub
- Dense multifamily housing
- Minnesota School of Business
- Connections to Mall of America, Normandale Lakes, Normandale College, Centennial Lakes
American Blvd Station

- Penn American District
- Gennesee apartments
- Souhtown Shopping Center
- Fresh Thyme grocery store
- Southpointe Office Tower
- 494 Corridor office, hotels, & retail
- Knox Landing senior housing
- Connections to Mall of America, Normandale College, Normandale Lakes
Transit-Oriented Development
98th Street Station

- South Bloomington Transit Center
- Bloomington City Hall
- Bloomington Civic Center
- Volunteers Enlisted to Assist People (VEAP)
- Oxboro Shopping Center
- Kennedy High School
- Connections to Normandale College, Valley West, and Mall of America
Burnsville

• Nicollet Avenue & Burnsville Parkway Stations
  • Best connection to the Heart of the City
  • Ample existing parking at Nicollet Station
  • Less delay, better reliability
  • Good connectivity to existing routes
  • Better adaptability for Lakeville extension
  • Support from project stakeholders
Orange Line Extension: Phase 2 to Lakeville

- Future extension south to Lakeville Kenrick Park & Ride
- One new station at Burnsville Center
- 1,000 additional average weekday riders
- Potential 2020-2021 Implementation
Get involved!
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