

Route 1 Multimodal Alternatives Analysis

## Public Meeting #3

October 8, 2014











## Tonight's Schedule

Open House 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Presentation 7:00 – 7:30 pm

Share Your Ideas 7:30 – 8:00 pm









#### Presentation Agenda

- 1. Purpose of the study
- 2. What we've learned from you
- 3. Review of study process and status
- 4. Evaluation of Alternatives
- 5. Key considerations for implementation

Population and employment growth

Traffic capacity

Phasing and funding of multimodal improvements

#### 6. Next Steps











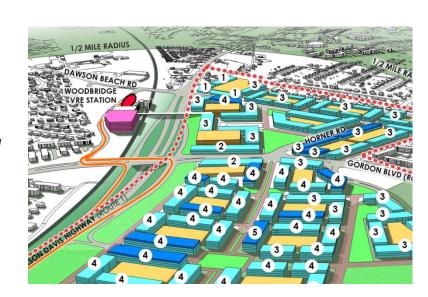
#### What the Study Means for Prince William County

Issue: Congested commute and weekend travel north into Fairfax County and Alexandria/Arlington/DC

 Accommodate future traffic growth along Route 1 by widening of Route 1 to Fort Belvoir, including Occoquan River bridge

Issue: Plans for significant additional mixed-use town center development in North Woodbridge

- Provide additional transportation choices and serve as a catalyst to realize planned activity levels
- Facilitate pedestrian access to transit services, including Woodbridge VRE station







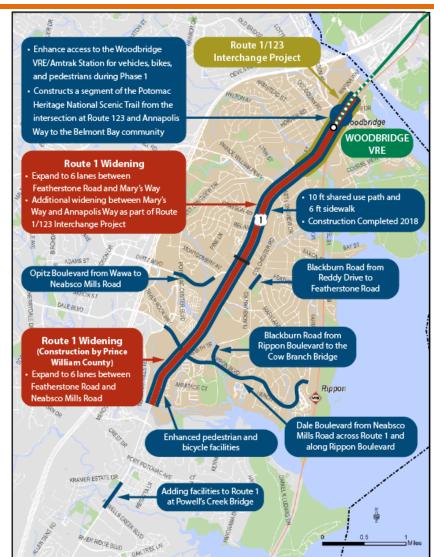




# Ongoing Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Near Woodbridge

#### **Current Projects:**

- Route 1/123 Interchange Project
- Route 1 Widening
- Other pedestrian facility improvement projects











1. Purpose of the Study





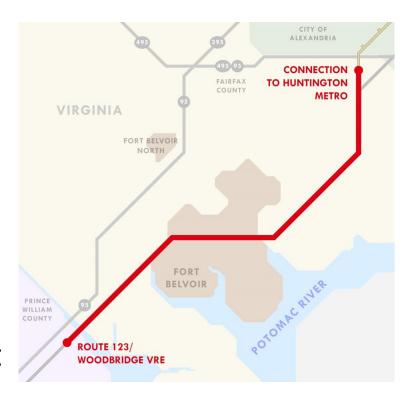




#### Alternatives Analysis Study Outcomes

Recommend a program of multimodal transportation improvements for adoption by Fairfax County and Prince William County

Define transit, roadway, and bicycle/pedestrian projects that could be advanced for implementation.























#### Purpose and Need

#### Purpose:

Provide improved performance for **transit**, **bicycle** and **pedestrian**, and **vehicular conditions** and facilities along the Route 1 corridor that support **long-term growth** and **economic development**.

#### Needs:

- Attractive and competitive transit service
- Safe and accessible pedestrian and bicycle access
- Appropriate level of vehicle accommodation
- Support and accommodate more robust land development











#### **Project Goals**

GOAL 1: Expand attractive multimodal travel options to improve local and regional mobility

GOAL 2: Improve safety; increase accessibility

GOAL 3: Increase economic viability and vitality of the corridor

GOAL 4: Support community health and minimize impacts on community resources









2. What we've learned from you









#### Where We've Been

## Public Meeting #1 (Fall 2013)

- Study introduction
- Existing conditions
- Goals and objectives



# Public Meeting #2 (Spring 2014)

- Initial alternatives
- Evaluation measures
- Land use analysis



# Public Meeting #3 (Today)

- Evaluation of alternatives
- Study recommendations
- Phasing and implementation









#### **Outreach Methods**

- Committee Meetings (technical, elected, community)
- **Public Meetings**
- Social Media
- News Ads and Press Release
- Flyers and Fact Sheets
- Metro Station and Bus Ads
- Community Event Booths
- Bilingual
- On-Line and On-Corridor
- Targeted Efforts to Engage **Diverse Populations**

#### Route 1













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#### REUNIÓN 1: PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY el miércoles 8 de octubre

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Presentación a las 7:00) Belmont Elementary School

751 Norwood Lane, Woodbridge
Transporte Público: La Ruta Uno de OmniLink se desviará de su ruta para proveer servicio a la escuela el día de la junta.

#### Route 1















#### JOIN US FOR OUR THIRD PUBLIC MEETING!



#### MEETING 1: PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY Wednesday, October 8

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Presentation at 7:00) Belmont Elementary School 751 Norwood Lane, Woodbridge

Public Transit: OmniLink's Route One bus will travel off-route to serve the elementary school that evening

#### **MEETING 2: FAIRFAX COUNTY**

Thursday, October 9 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Presentation at 6:30)

South County Center 8350 Richmond Hwy. Alexandria Public Transit: Fairfax Connector Route 171 and the REX.











The Route 1 Multimodal Alternatives Analysis is a study to enhance mobility along a 15-mile segment of Route 1 between the VRE station in Woodbridge and Huntington Metro Station. Join us at the upcoming public meeting to learn about the study's findings and recommendations for improved transit, roadway, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities along Route 1.







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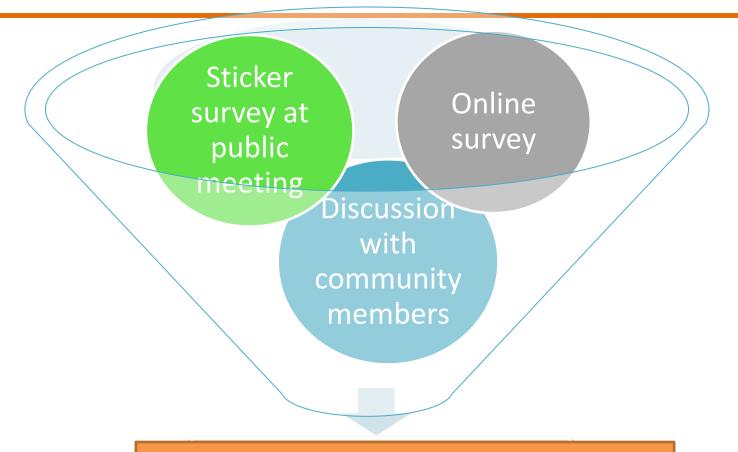








#### What We've Learned From You



- Purpose and Need
- Weighting of evaluation measures
- Recommendations and action plan









#### Goals for the Meeting

#### Key takeaways:

- Evaluation of alternatives process
- Study recommendations
- Potential phasing and implementation sequence for corridor improvements

#### We want to hear feedback from you on:

- Draft recommendations
- Implementation action plan









3. Review of study process and status









#### Alternatives Analysis Study Outcomes

#### The recommended projects would:

 Respond to County and State transportation and land use plans and policies

Support economic development goals

 Be financially feasible and potentially competitive for federal funding

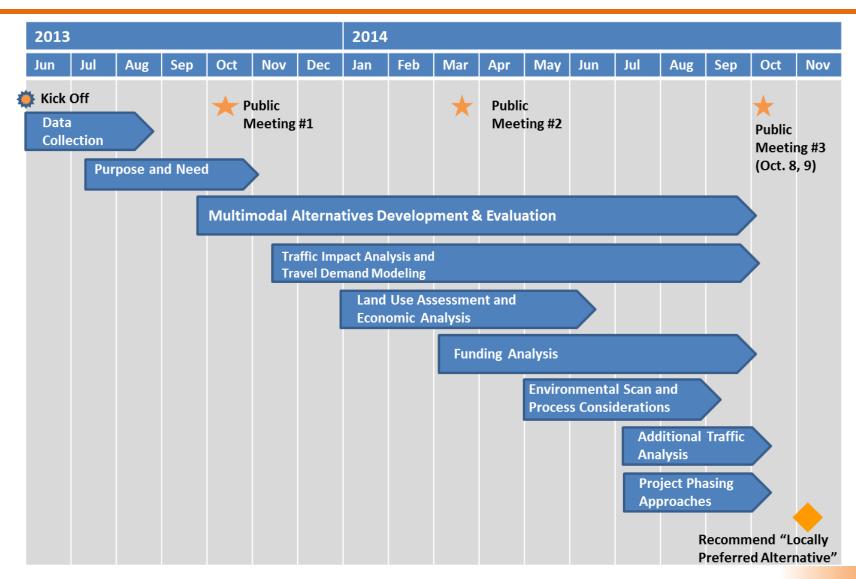








### Study Schedule: Major Activities















#### **Evaluation Process**

Range of Alternatives

Public Meeting #1 (Fall 2013)

Initial Alternatives **Screen 1: Initial Alternatives** 

Public Meeting #2 (Spring 2014)



**Screen 2: Refined Alternatives** 

Public Meeting #3 (Fall 2014)



**Screen 3: Detailed Evaluation** 

Recommendations









#### 4. Evaluation of Alternatives:

Ability to address goals and objectives









#### Bicycle/Pedestrian and Roadway Recommendations

#### Recommendations:

- Roadway: Consistent, 6 vehicular lanes along the corridor
- Bike/Ped: 10-foot multiuse path
   (Note: implementation of recommended section varies along the corridor)









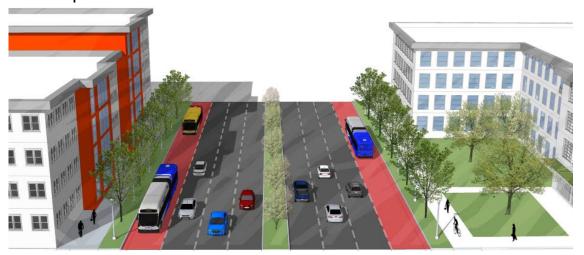


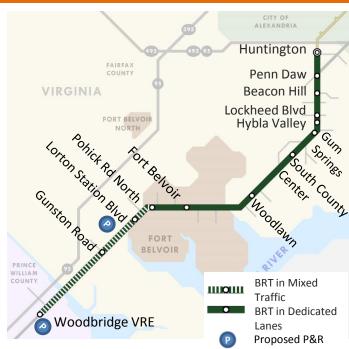
#### Alternative 1: Bus Rapid Transit 1 – Curb Running

BRT operates in mixed traffic from Woodbridge to Pohick North



BRT operates in dedicated curb lanes to Pohick Road North





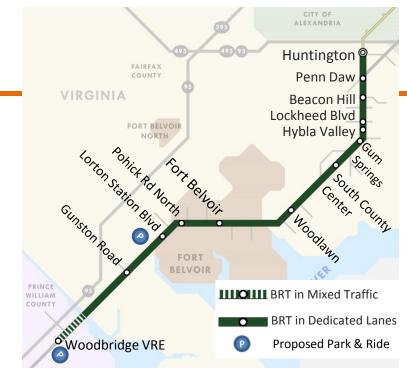
#### Alternative 2: Bus Rapid Transit - Median

BRT operates in mixed traffic through Prince William County



BRT operates in median in dedicated lanes in Fairfax County





# Alternative 3: Light Rail Transit

Light Rail operates in median in dedicated lanes for entire corridor



#### Alternative 4: Metrorail-BRT Hybrid

Metrorail underground to Hybla Valley with supporting BRT in the long-term



BRT operates in mixed traffic through Prince William County





#### Summary of Key Indicators

Based on Scenario 1 Land Use (COG 2035 Forecast)

	Alt 1: BRT- Curb	Alt 2: BRT- Median	Alt 3: LRT	Alt 4: Metro/BRT Hybrid
Average Weekday Ridership (2035)	15,200	16,600	18,400	<b>26,500</b> (BRT 10,600; Metro 22,900)
Conceptual Capital Cost	\$832 M	\$1.01 B	\$1.56 B	\$2.46 B* (Metro \$1.46B; BRT \$1 B)
Annual O&M Cost  (Each Alternative includes \$5 M annual cost for Ft. Belvoir shuttle service)	\$18 M (BRT \$13M; Ft Belvoir Shuttle \$5M)	\$17 M (BRT \$12M; Ft Belvoir Shuttle \$5M)	\$24 M (LRT \$19M; Ft Belvoir Shuttle \$5M)	\$31 M** (Metro \$17M; BRT \$8M; Ft Belvoir Shuttle \$5M)
Cost Effectiveness  (Annualized capital + operating cost per rider)	\$19	\$20	\$27	<b>\$28**</b> (Metrorail: \$28; BRT: \$29)

<sup>\*</sup> This figure represents full BRT construction between Huntington and Woodbridge, then Metrorail extension from Huntington to Hybla Valley











<sup>\*\*</sup> These figures assume operation of Metrorail between Huntington and Hybla Valley, and BRT between Hybla Valley and Woodbridge

#### **Evaluation of Alternatives**

Goal	Example Measures		
Goal 1: Local and Regional Mobility	<ul><li>Ridership</li><li>Travel time savings</li></ul>		
Goal 2: Safety and Accessibility	<ul><li>Traffic</li><li>Pedestrian access</li></ul>		
Goal 3A: Economic Development	<ul><li>Economic development effects</li><li>Implementation</li></ul>		
Goal 3B: Cost Effectiveness	<ul><li>Capital costs</li><li>Operating costs</li></ul>		
Goal 4: Community Health and Resources	<ul><li>Environmental impacts</li><li>Change in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)</li></ul>		









#### Evaluation of Alternatives: Findings

Evaluation Factors (Goals)	Alternative 1: BRT-Curb	Alternative 2: BRT-Median	Alternative 3:	Alternative 4: Metrorail-BRT (Hybrid)
Goal 1: Local and Regional Mobility	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.00
Goal 2: Safety and Accessibility	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
Goal 3A: Economic Development	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7
Goal 3B: Cost Effectiveness	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.5
Goal 4: Community and Health Resources	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8
Ability to Meet Project Goals Average	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8

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for full
evaluation
results!







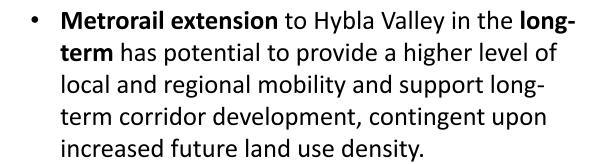


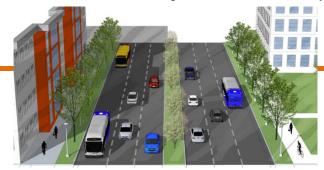


#### **Draft Recommendation**

#### **Evaluation results suggest:**

 Median running Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in the near-term would provide a cost effective transportation solution to support economic development plans.





BRT median in dedicated lanes in Fairfax County



Metrorail underground to Hybla Valley with supporting BRT in the long-term



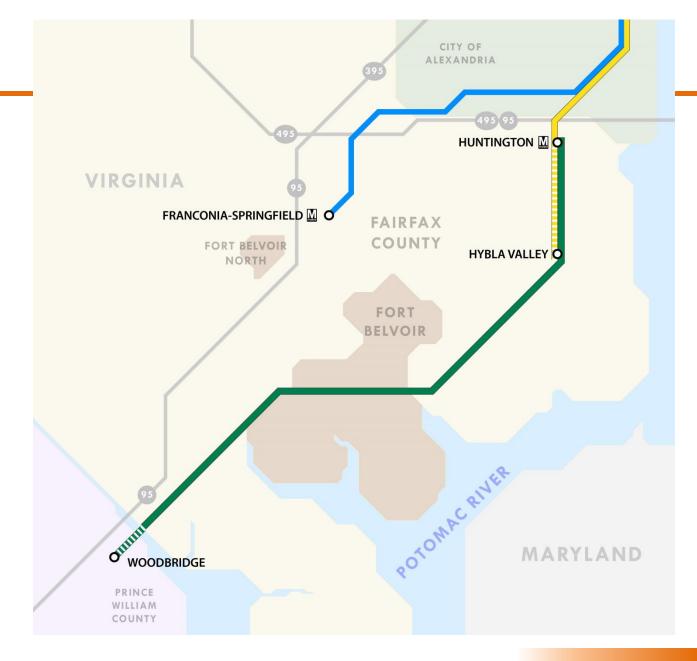
























## 5. Key Considerations for Implementation

Population and employment growth

Traffic capacity

Phasing and funding of multimodal improvements



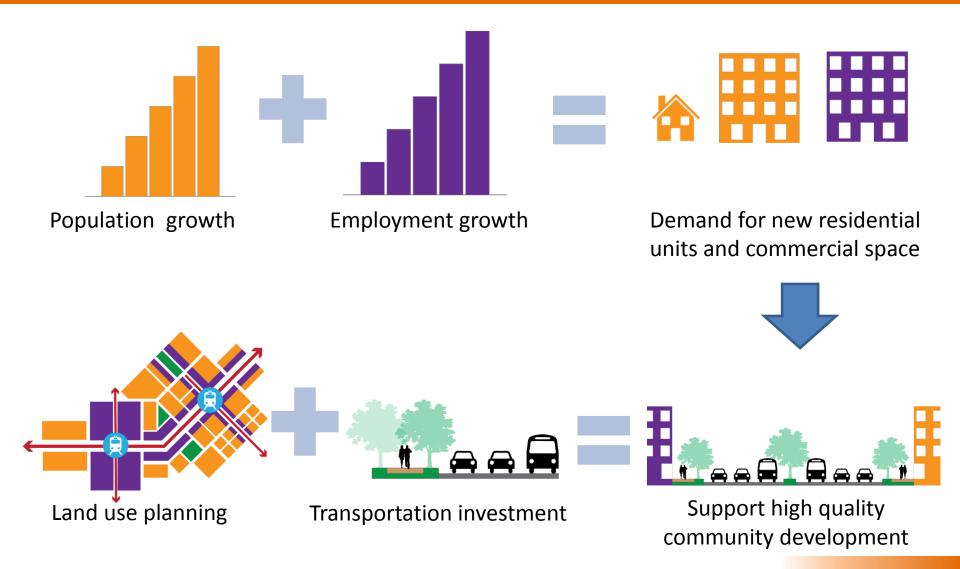








# Transportation investment supports economic viability and vitality of the corridor















#### Woodlawn: Transit Oriented Development Concept





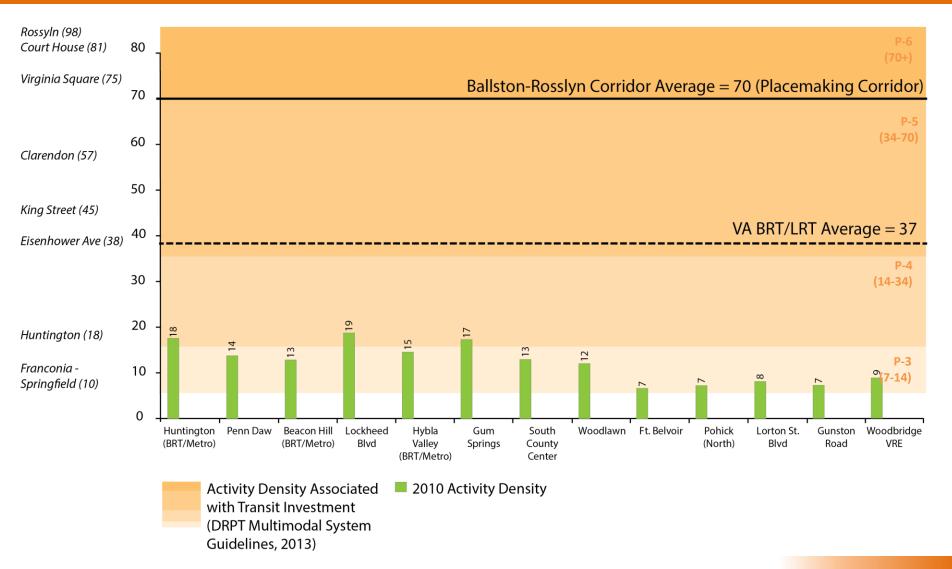
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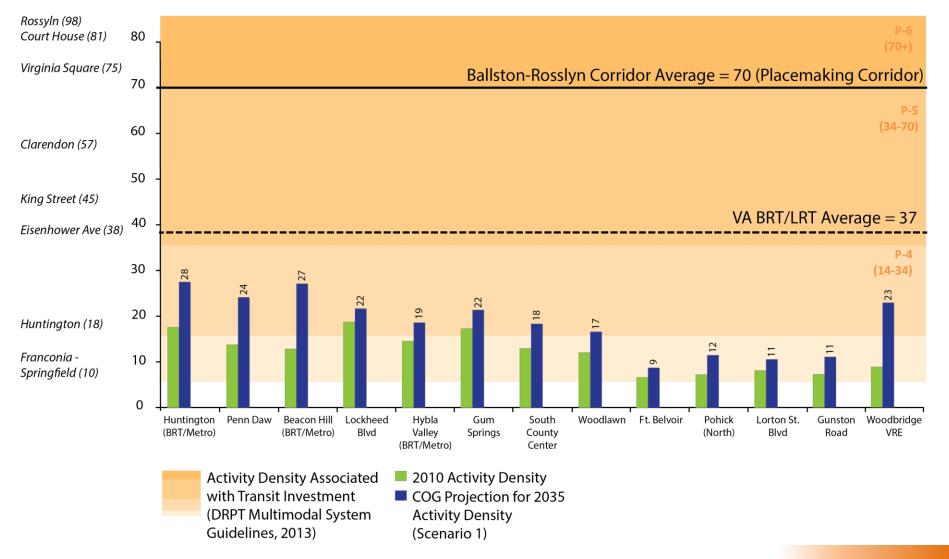












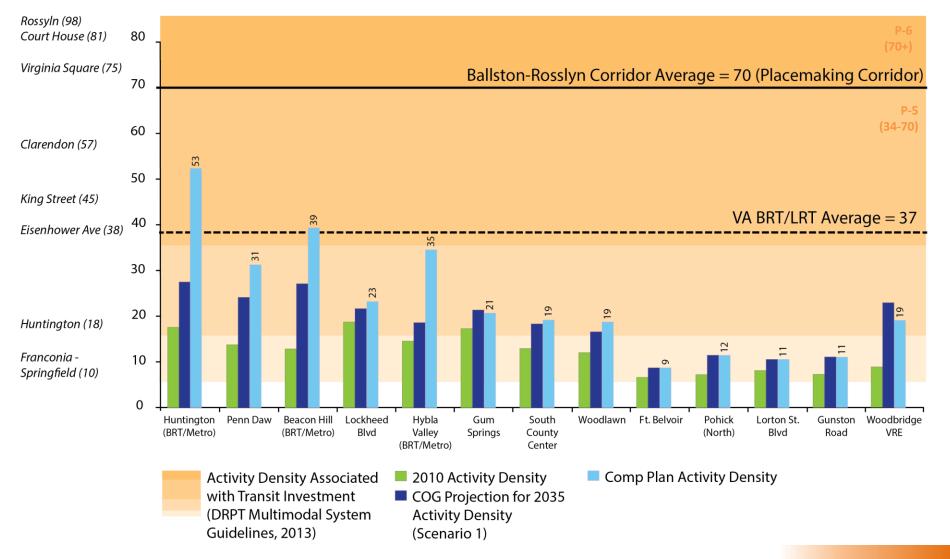












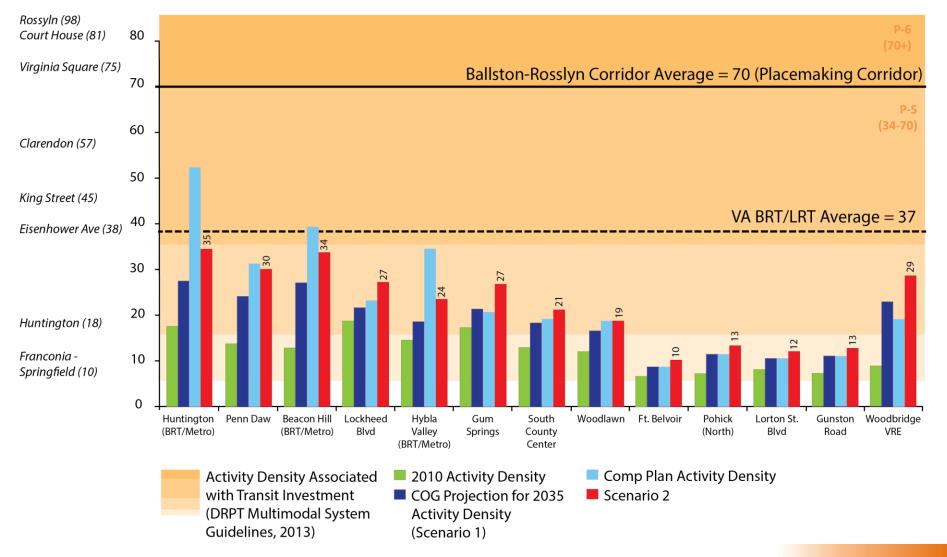
















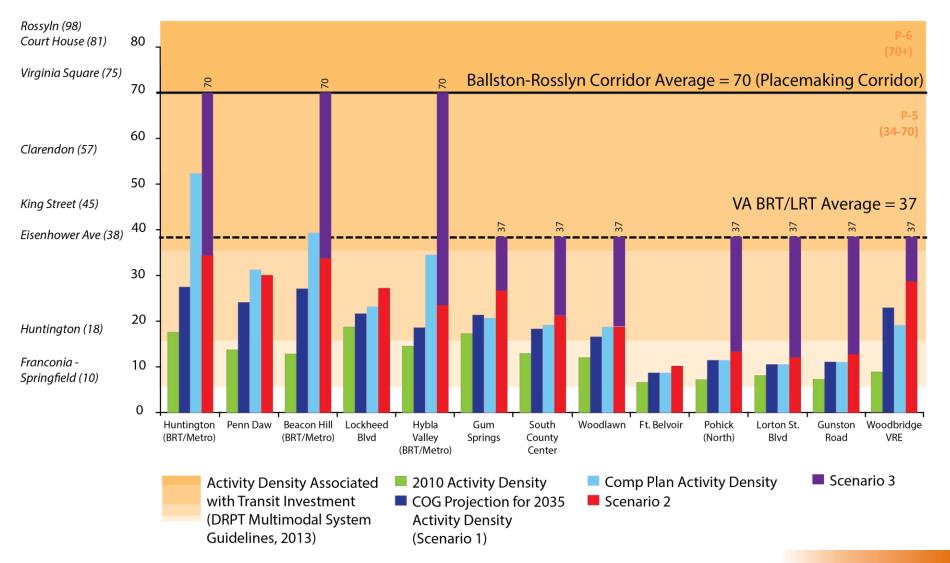






## Station Activity Levels

(Population + Employment per Acre)



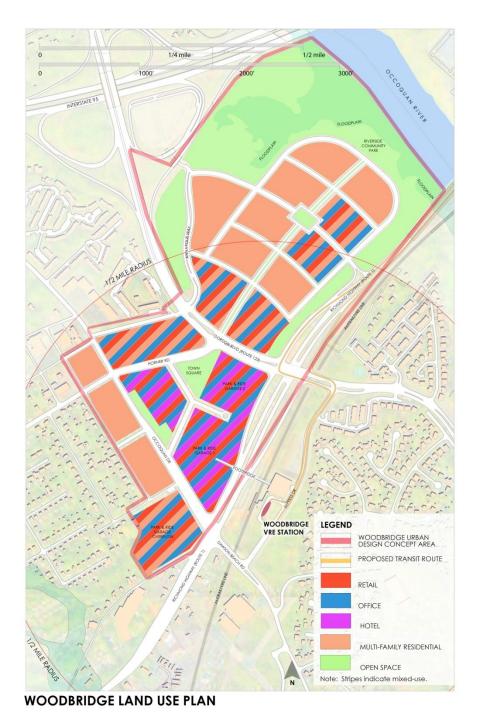


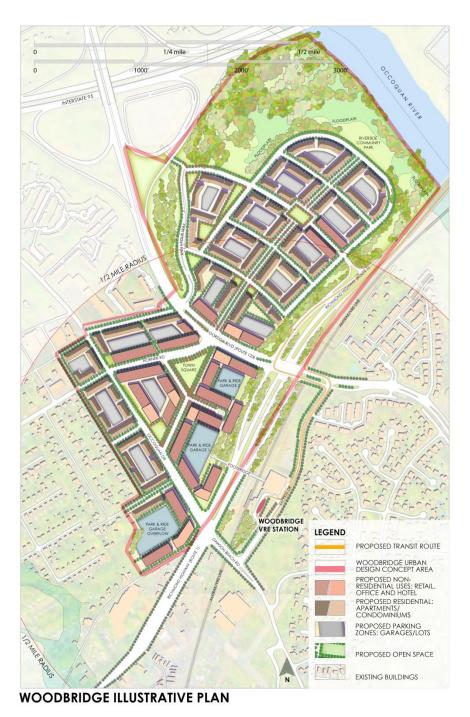












## Woodbridge Existing











## Woodbridge Scenario 2















# Traffic Capacity Growth Scenarios and Roadway Requirements







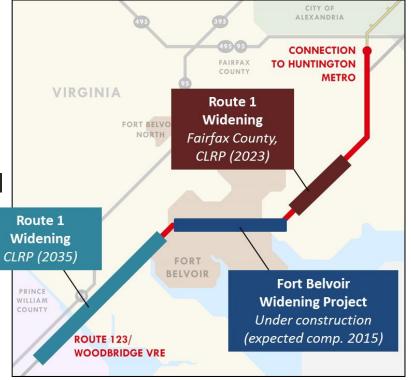


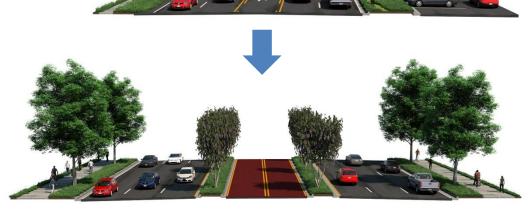
## Traffic Analysis Findings: Scenario 1

#### Addition of median transit lanes:

- Improves transit travel time
- Incrementally increases automobile travel time
- Left turns impacted

Does not significantly degrade overall intersection performance













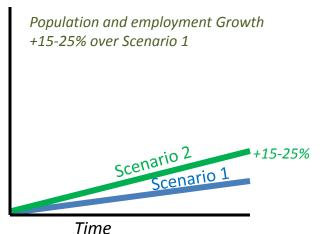


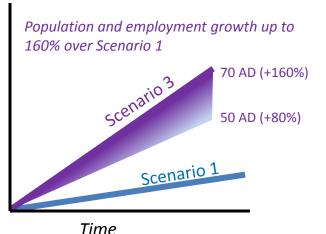


## Traffic Analysis Findings: Scenarios 2 and 3

Street Infrastructure Required to Accommodate Growth

For highest density proposed station areas:									
Beacon Hill and Hybla Valley									
	Share of trips transit, walk, bike, internal, and peak spreading	Add street capacity to supplement Route 1, equivalent to:							
Scenario 2	20%	One new 2-lane street							
	25%	One new 2-lane street							
Scenario 3	25%	Six new 2-lane streets							
	40% to 50%	Three new 2-lane streets							











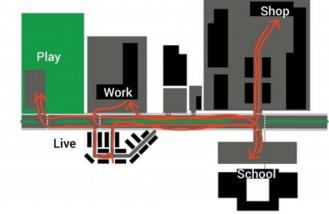




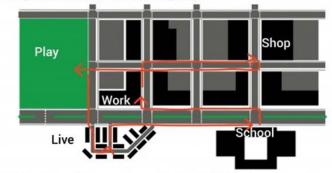
## **Traffic Analysis Conclusions**

- Major growth is anticipated in the Route 1 corridor in all scenarios, including COG 2035 forecast
- To accommodate growth, recommended Route 1 transportation investment must be complemented by other major features (roads, schools, public safety, parks):
  - Network of local streets
  - Mixed use development
  - Walkable, pedestrian friendly environment
- Metrorail supportive growth levels require significantly more infrastructure investment than BRT levels

#### Conventional development



#### Grid pattern, mixed-use development



- Requires less parking
- Uses less land
- · Produces fewer automobile trips
- Reduces vehicle turning movements
- · Reduces vehicle miles traveled









## Project Phasing and Funding

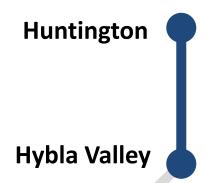








Phase I:
Huntington to
Hybla Valley
(\$306 M)
3.1 mi



**Fort Belvoir** 

Route Widening Vernon Me.

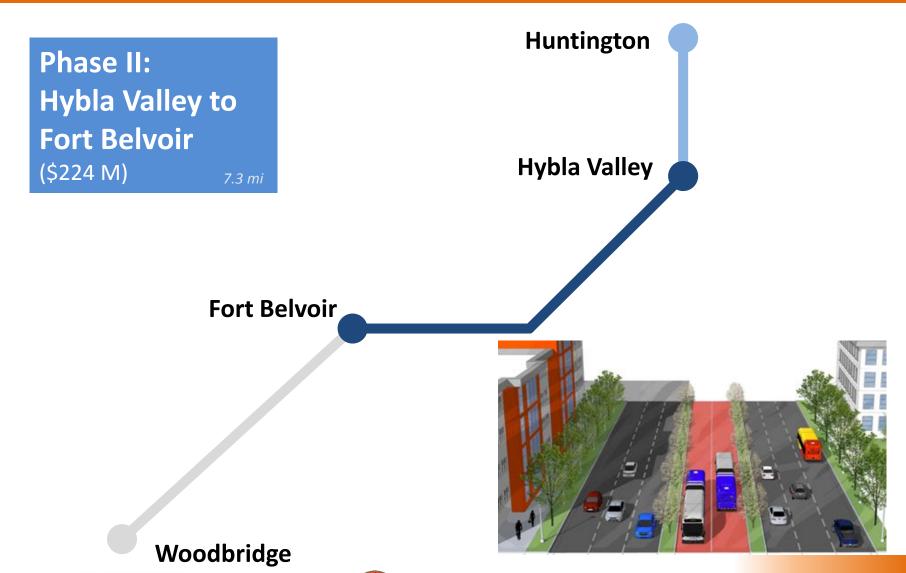




















Phase III:
Fort Belvoir to
Woodbridge
(\$472 M)
4.6 mi

**Fort Belvoir** 

Huntington

**Hybla Valley** 

- Widen Route 1 and Occoquan River Bridge
- Build bicycle/pedestrian facilities
- Provide dedicated transit lanes through FFX Co
- New 3,000 space Park & Ride
   Garages at Woodbridge and at
   Lorton Stations

















Phase IV:
Metrorail Yellow
Line Extension to
Hybla Valley\*
(\$1.46 B)
3.1 mi

\*Contingent upon future land use

Huntington

**Hybla Valley** 





Woodbridge









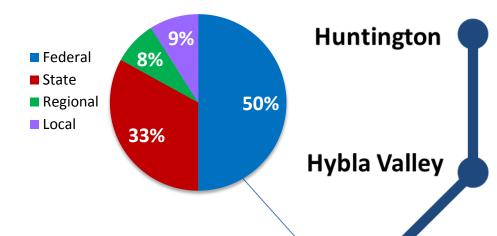


# Transit Funding Assumptions by Geographic Segment



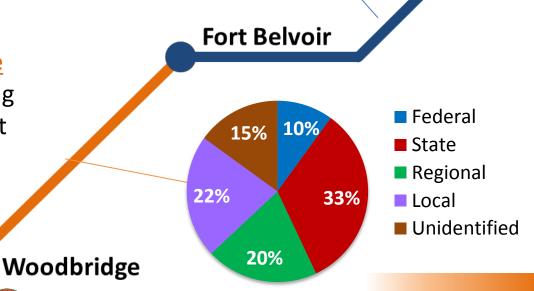
### Phase I+II: Huntington to Fort Belvoir

- Potentially competitive for federal New Starts/Small Starts funding
- Highest population and employment
- Highest ridership potential



#### Phase III: Fort Belvoir to Woodbridge

- Less competitive for federal funding
- Lower population and employment
- Includes planned VDOT widening











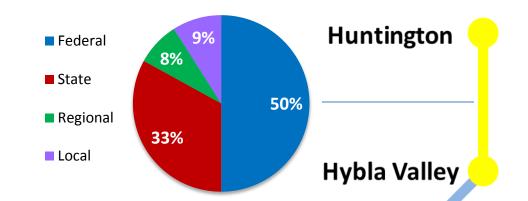


## Transit Funding Assumptions by Geographic Segment



### Phase IV: Huntington to Hybla Valley

- Potentially competitive for federal New Starts funding in 2040
- Contingent upon increased future land use density



**Fort Belvoir** 



Route 1





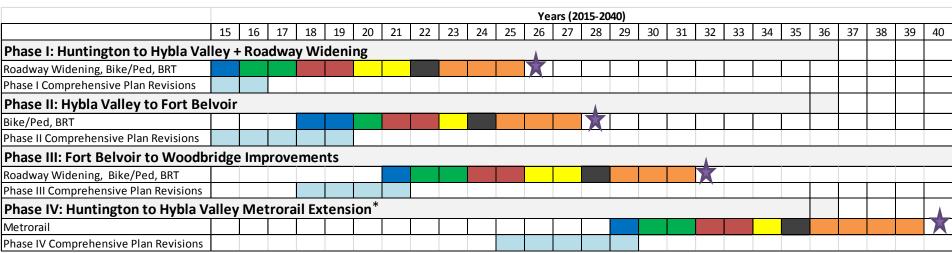






## Potential Implementation Timelines

#### **Approach: BRT and Long-Term Metrorail Implementation (2040)**



Note: Timelines assume a funding stream to support projects implementation.

#### **Legend: General Project Development Sequence**

Comprehensive	Planning	Scoping/	Final Design	Right of Way	Utilities	Construction	Operation
Plan		NEPA PE			Relocation		



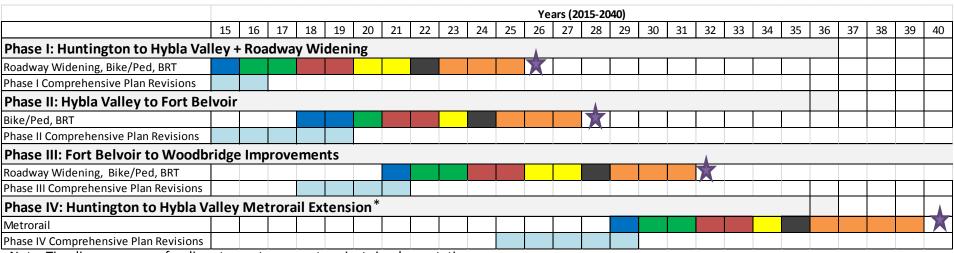






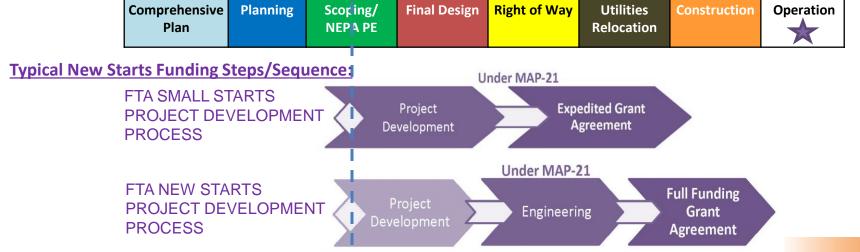
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## 6. Next Steps

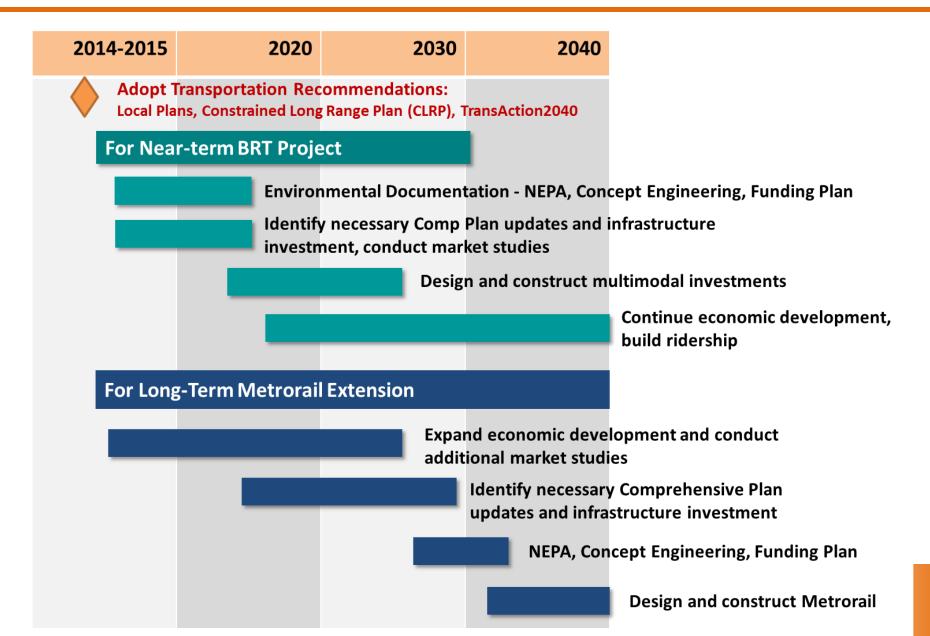








## Action Plan for Implementation



## Next Steps: Adopt Study Findings and Continue Toward Implementation

### **Process Overview**

Study team completes Alternatives Analysis

Local and state officials adopt findings and recommendations



Conduct Market Studies, Identify Comprehensive Plan Updates Project team completes environmental documentation and concept engineering



Project team refines cost estimates and funding plans











## Questions and discussion









