

# REGIONAL TRANSIT DIALOGUE

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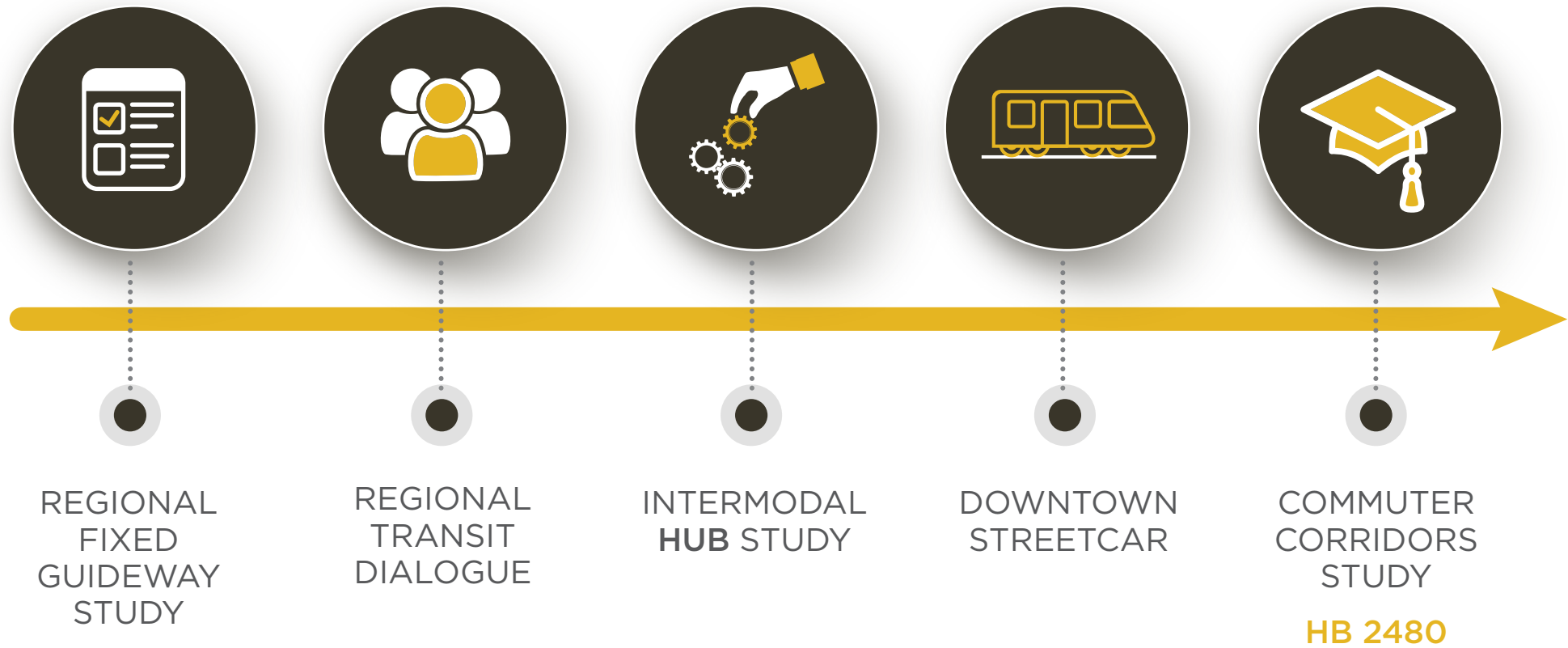
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Division Director  
Transportation & Planning Services

OCTOBER 2017

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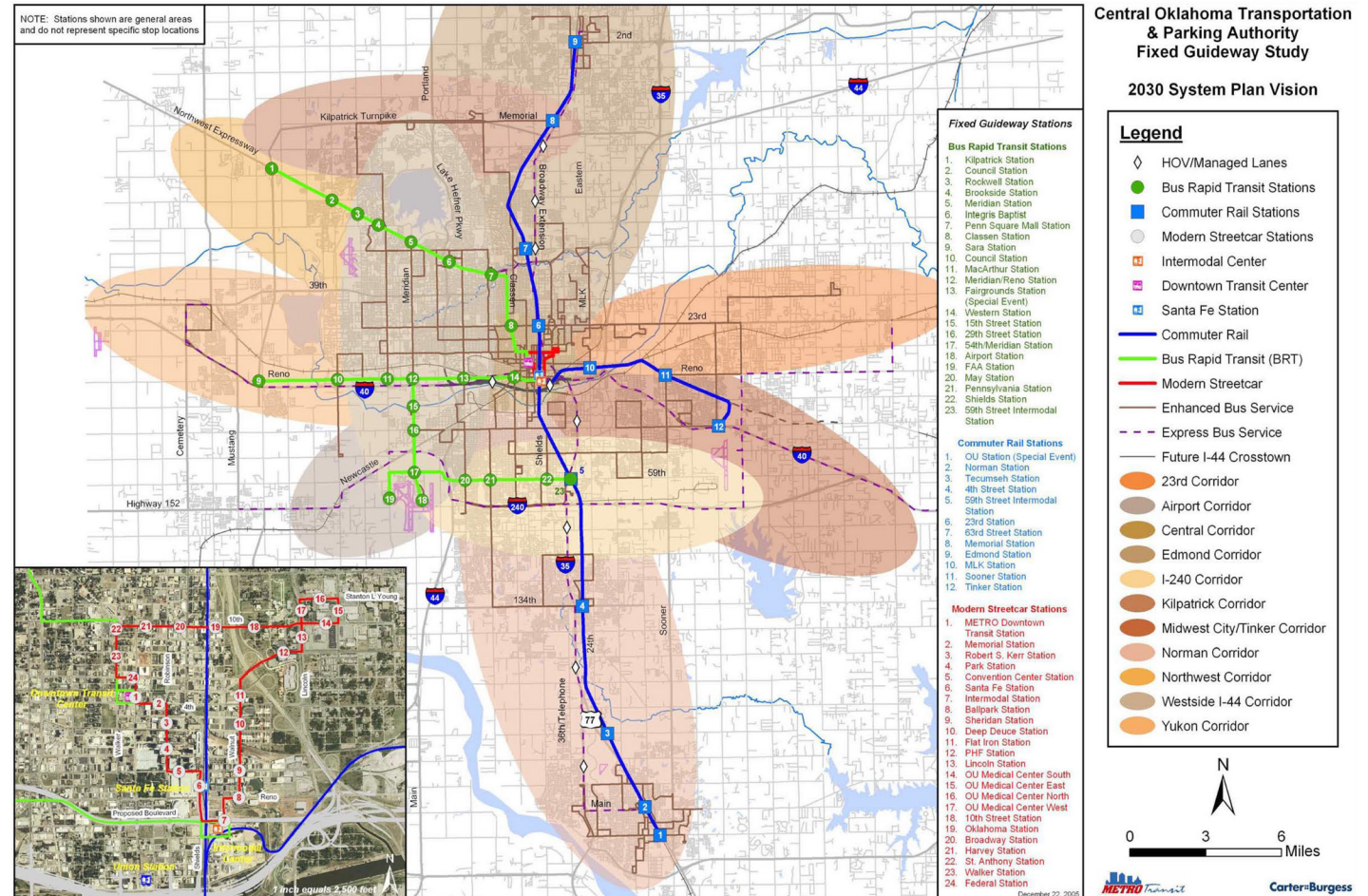


# CRASH COURSE



# FIXED GUIDEWAY STUDY - REGIONAL STUDY

- Prepared for COTPA
- OCARTS Region
- 11 Study Corridors
- 2030 System Plan
- Completed December 2005
- Recommended:
  - High Capacity Transit
  - Enhance Bus
  - Central Hub
  - Downtown Circulator



# REGIONAL TRANSIT DIALOGUE - PHASE 1



## PHASE 1

- April 2009 – March 2010
- FGS Review and next steps
- Public / Private Collaboration



## STRUCTURE

- Steering Committee
- Four committees



## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Intermodal Hub Study
- Study **FGS** Commuter Rail Corridors

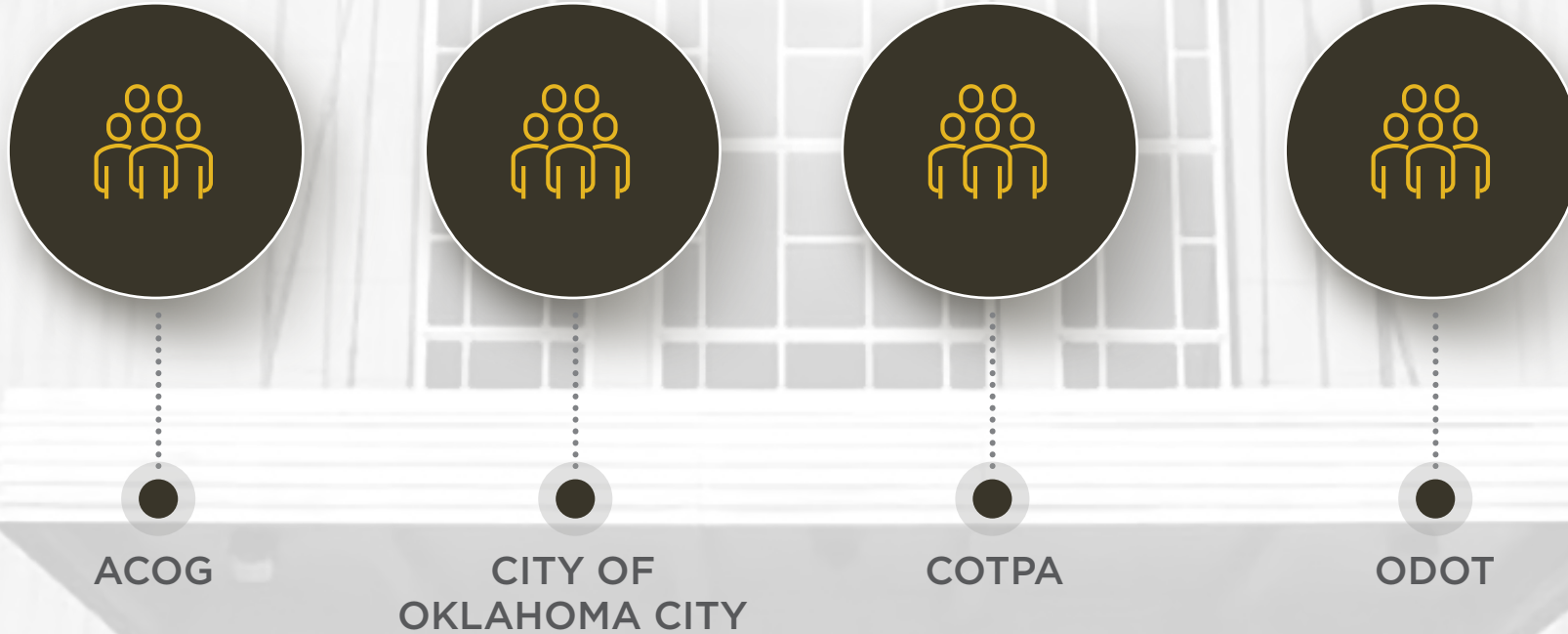


## PRODUCTS

- Governance & Finance Report
- Transit Supportive Development Guidebook
- **FGS / RTD** Brochure



## INTERMODAL HUB STUDY - PARTNERS



# INTERMODAL HUB STUDY

## SANTA FE STATION SELECTED

- Located Along BNSF
- Amtrak Service
- Connecting Downtown and Bricktown
- Can Accommodate Beyond 2035
  - Commuter Rail
  - Amtrak
  - HSR

## SEPTEMBER 2010 – JUNE 2011

- Upgrade Santa Fe Station
- Re-open Pedestrian Tunnel
- Multi-Modal
- Future Transit Hall
- Future Parking Garage



# IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES

## INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION HUB | OKC ACQUIRED SANTA FE STATION

### PHASE 1

### IMPROVEMENTS

- Renovation of Grand Hall
- Historic Rehab
- Amtrak - Waiting, Ticketing, Baggage

### FUNDING

**\$28.4 Million**

- ODOT - \$1.5 Million
- ACOG - \$2 Million (STP-UZA)



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**\$28.4 Million**

- 2013 TIGER Grant - \$13.6 Million
- OKC - \$11.3 Million (MAPS 3, Project 180)

### PHASE 1

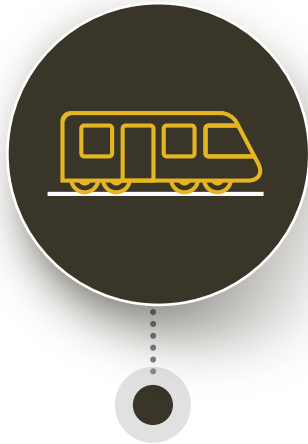
### IMPROVEMENTS

- Future Lease Space
- Pedestrian Tunnel Under RR Platforms
- EK Gaylord Streetscape
- Pedestrian/Bicycle Enhancements

# DOWNTOWN OKC CIRCULATOR

ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS FOR OKLAHOMA CITY AND COTPA

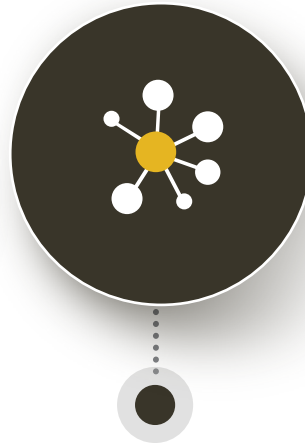
MAPS 3 - \$131 MILLION  
LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE



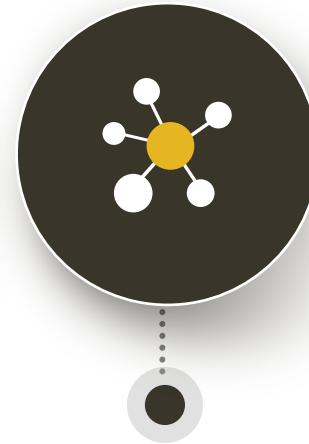
MODERN  
STREETCAR



ALIGNMENT  
ROUTE ZETA



CONNECT TO  
SANTA FE HUB



DOWNTOWN  
CONNECTION FOR  
FUTURE COMMUTER  
RAIL + LINK  
DOWNTOWN DISTRICTS



POTENTIAL  
FOR EXPANSION





# IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES

## DOWNTOWN STREETCAR

- **Two lines:** D Line 4.9-mile route and B Line 2-mile route
- **Maintenance Facility:** SW 7th and Hudson
- **Vehicles:** Brookville Equipment Corporation
- **Operator:** Herzog Transit Services
- **Opening:** December 2018





# COMMUTER CORRIDORS STUDY

CONSULTANT – URS 2013-2014

## PHASE 2 Funding

### REGIONAL TRANSIT DIALOGUE

- ACOG
- Del City
- Edmond
- Midwest City
- Moore
- Norman
- Oklahoma City

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### THREE CORRIDORS FROM FGS

**NORTH:** Edmond <-> OKC

**SOUTH:** Norman <-> OKC

**EAST:** MWC/TAFB <-> OKC

### STEERING COMMITTEE

- Citizens
- Businesses
- Chambers
- Cities

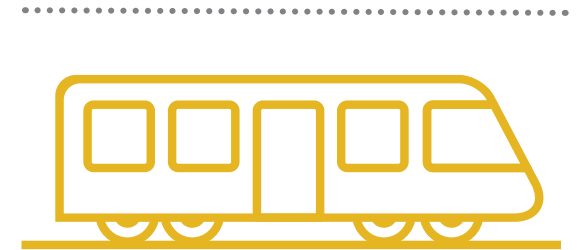
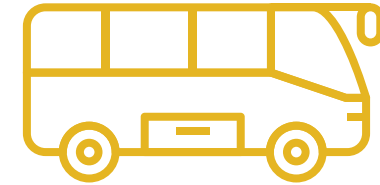
### PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Meetings
- Newsletters
- Webinars
- Road Shows

# HB 2480

AMENDED PREVIOUS LEGISLATION | 68 O.S. 2011, SEC. 1370.7

- RTD Member - Rep. Charlie Joyner
- Allowed for creation of Regional Districts
- Signed by Governor Fallin - May 22, 2014
- Any combination of any portions of cities, towns or counties
- Staffing and Operating added to definition of “operations”
- OKC Chamber Lobbied and Advocated
- Critical Step for Forming a Regional Transit Authority (RTA) District
- Governed by Board of Directors appointed by creating entities





# LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATES

## Approval of LPAs:

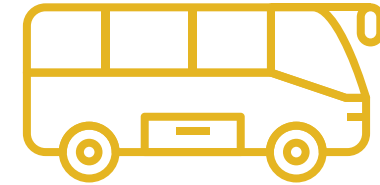
- July 2014 – RTD Steering Committee Selected LPAs
- October 2014 – ACOG Board Approved the LPAs

## Three Corridor LPAs:

- North Corridor:
  - Downtown OKC <-> Downtown Edmond
- South Corridor:
  - Downtown OKC <-> Moore, Norman
- East Corridor:
  - Downtown OKC <-> Del City, Midwest City, Tinker AFB

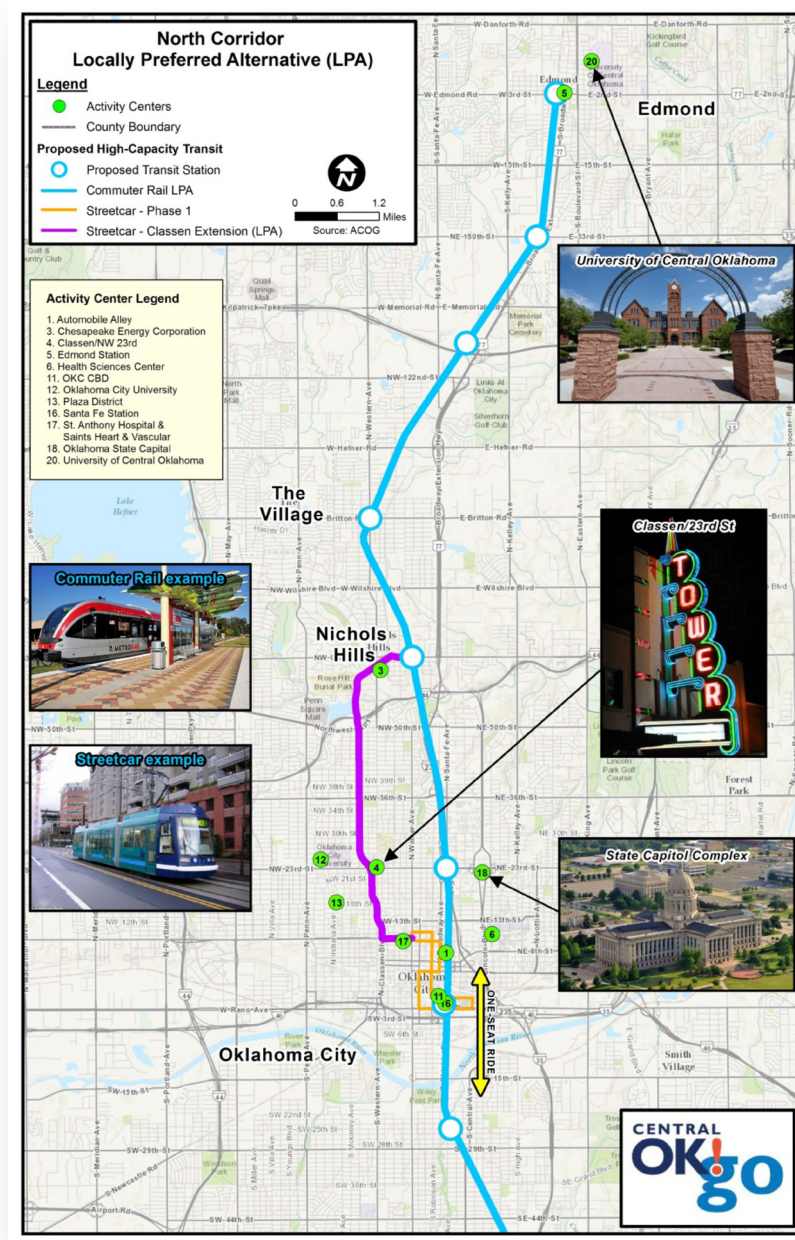
## Features:

- Connection to Santa Fe Hub
- Direct connection between Edmond & Norman



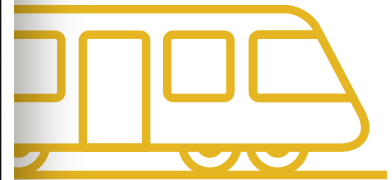
# NORTH CORRIDOR

- Commuter Rail to Edmond
- Streetcar to 63rd / Western
- Capital Cost:
  - Commuter Rail: **\$260-360 Million**
  - Streetcar: **\$270-370 Million**
- Estimated Daily Ridership
  - Commuter Rail: **5,700**
  - Streetcar: **2,100**



# SOUTH CORRIDOR

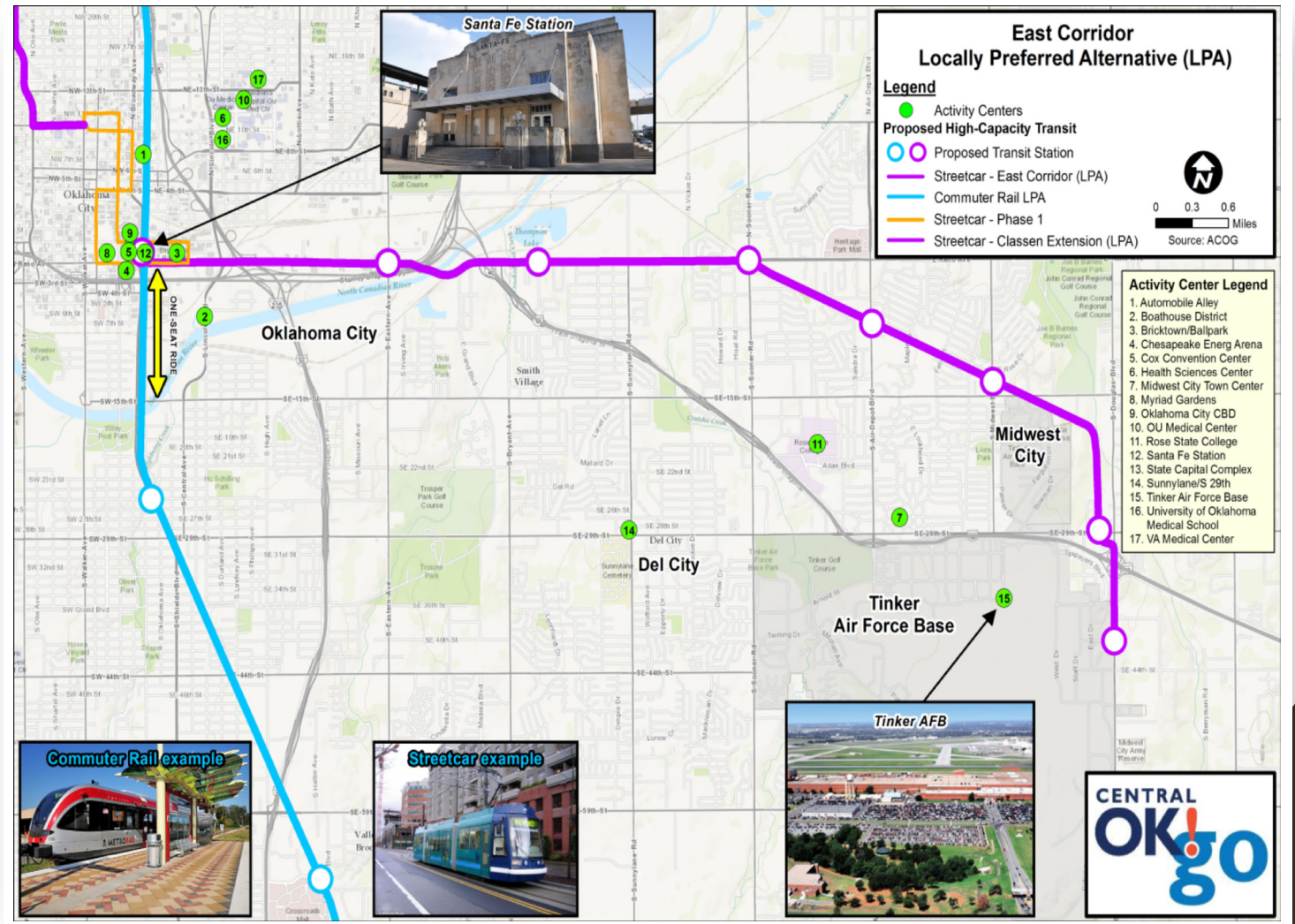
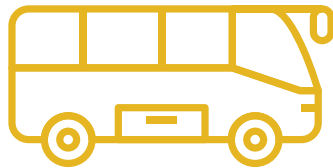
- Commuter Rail
- Santa Fe Station to Norman (Highway 9)
  - Thru-service to Edmond
- Capital Cost: **\$310-410 Million**
- Estimated Daily Ridership: **5,700**





# EAST CORRIDOR

- Streetcar
- OKC to Tinker
- Capital Cost: **\$320-440 Million**
- Estimated Daily Ridership: **2,300**



# IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES

EMBARK TRANSIT SERVICE ANALYSIS | PREPARED FOR COTPA, JULY 2013

## TSA RECOMMENDATIONS TO:

- Improve Frequency, Reduce Transfer Waiting Times, Reduce Passenger Travel Time, Realign Routes to Meet Demand
- Implementation began April 2014
- Ridership: Up 9.5 percent Fixed Rt/Weekday Over 3 million/year – First Time
- Night Service Routes 23 & 11 – January 2015
- NightService Routes 5 & 13 – January 2016

## GOALS

- Evaluate the Existing Bus System
- Improve Network/Increase Ridership
- Stay within Current Budget
- Identify Future Service Improvements  
(if additional funds become available)

# USDOT GRANT

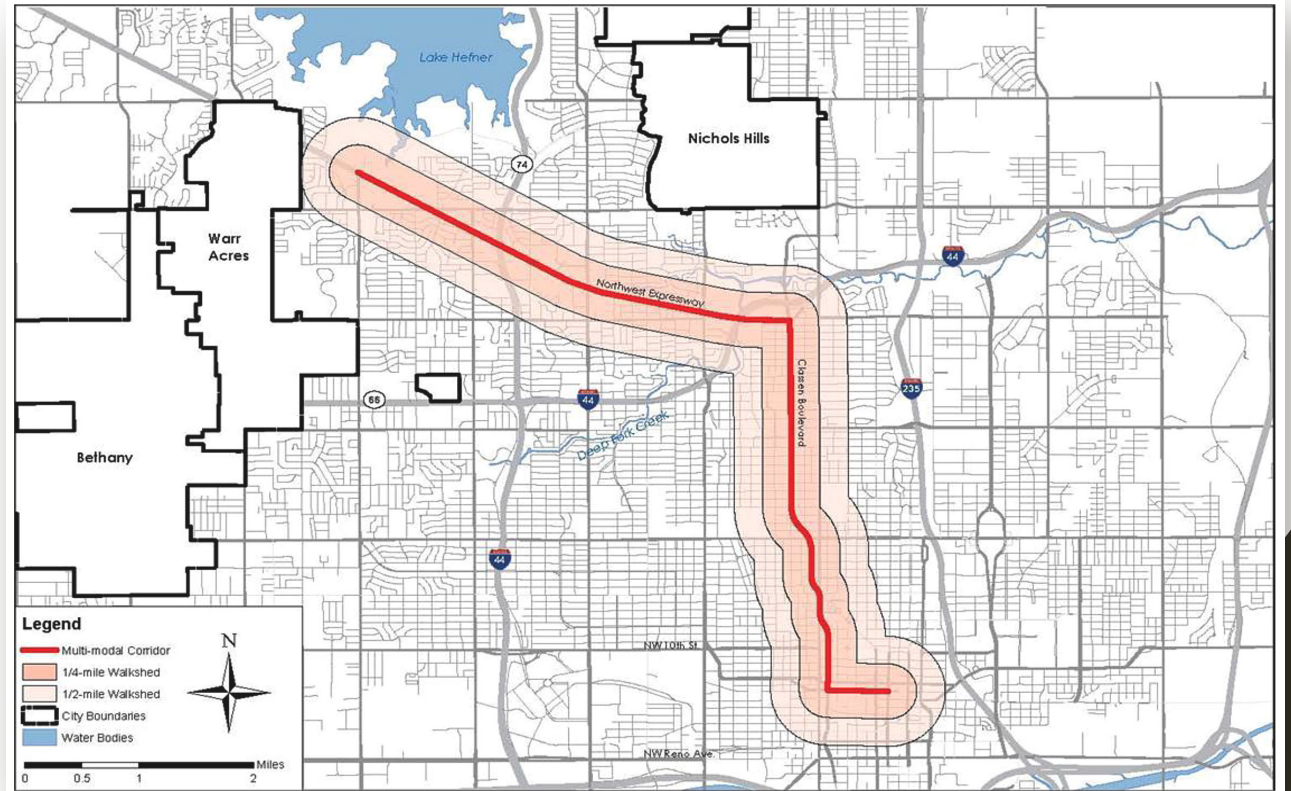
EMBARK, OKC PLANNING, OCCHD, ACOG (JANUARY - AUGUST 2015)

## GOALS

- Identify Potential for Multimodal Transportation on Classen Blvd. & Northwest Expressway (FGS Corridor)
- Increase Mobility & Travel Options
- Improve Community Health

## INTERSECTIONS CONCEPTS - IQC:

- NW 23rd & Classen
- Blackwelder & NW Expressway
- Independence & NW Expressway



# RTD/RTA ACTIVITIES

## COMMUTER CORRIDORS STUDY

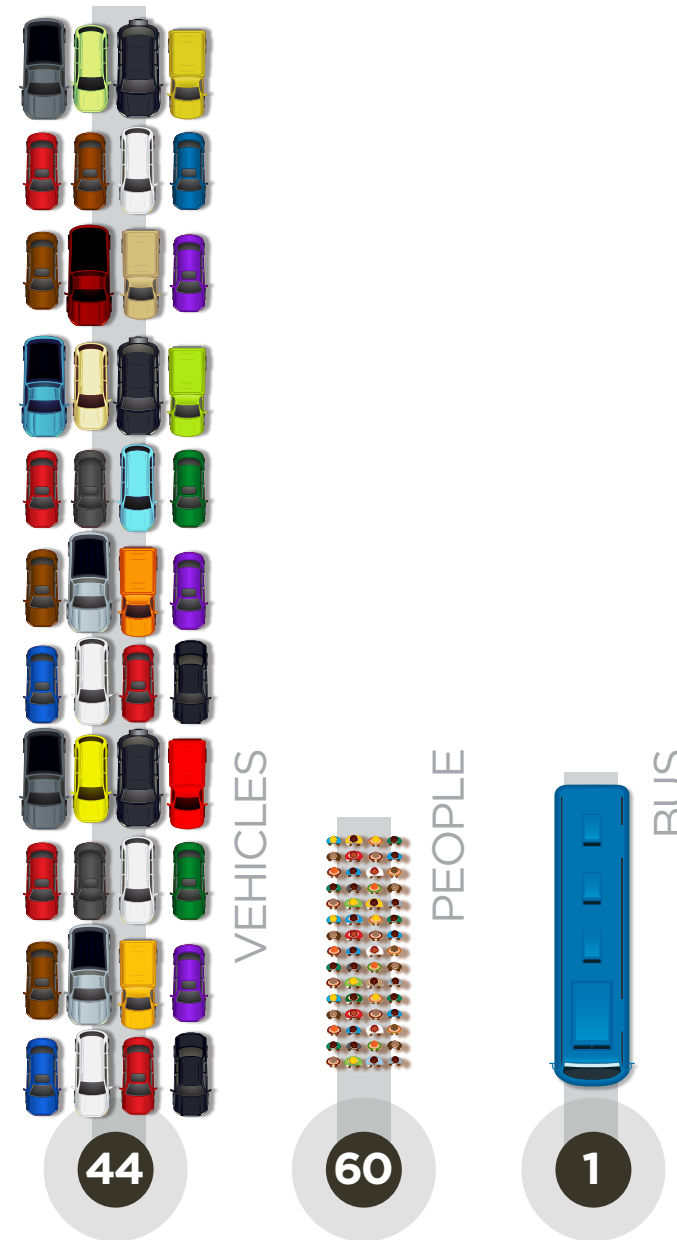
- Executive Summary
- Final Report, Appendices

## PRESENTATIONS

- Greater OKC Chamber  
Nov. 2014 Annual Retreat
- City Councils
- Civic Groups

## RTD GOVERNANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

- Meetings thru April 2015
- RTA Planning



# RTD/RTA ACTIVITIES

## RTD GOVERNANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

### DEVELOPED

- RTA Task Force MOU
- 3-Year Task Force Budget
  - Federal \$ (ACOG PL), Local, Private
- FY 2016 Work Plan & Local Budget
- Conceptual Timeline to Transit

### RTA TASK FORCE MOU

- Convened City Attorneys of Partner Cities July 2015
- Staff Presentations to Councils / Council Work Groups – July, August 2015



# RTA TASK FORCE

## MOU ADOPTED - ACOG & PARTNER CITIES:


- Aug. 13 - ACOG Board of Directors
- Sept. 1 - Oklahoma City Council
- Sept. 8 - Del City Council
- Sept. 8 - Norman City Council
- Sept. 14 - Edmond City Council
- Sept. 21 - Moore City Council
- Sept. 22 - Midwest City Council

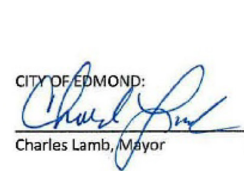


## SELECTION OF TASK FORCE MEMBERS:

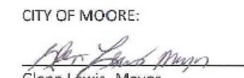
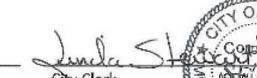

- Voting Members - Partner Cities
- Advisory Members - Transit Providers




APPROVED by the City Council and signed by the Mayor:

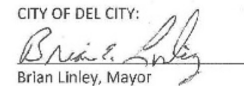
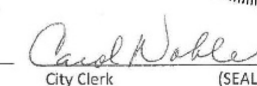

CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY:  
  
Mick Cornett, Mayor  
  
Sharon Kiser, City Clerk  
(SEAL)  
  
9-1-15  
Date

CITY OF NORMAN:  
  
Cindy Rosenthal, Mayor  
  
Bonnie Brinkley, City Clerk  
(SEAL)  
  
9/8/15  
Date

CITY OF EDMOND:  
  
Charles Lamb, Mayor  
  
[Signature], City Clerk  
(SEAL)  
  
9/14/15  
Date

CITY OF MOORE:  
  
Glenn Lewis, Mayor  
  
Linda Starnes, City Clerk  
(SEAL)  
  
9/21/2015  
Date

CITY OF MIDWEST CITY:  
  
Jay Dee Collins, Mayor  
  
[Signature], City Clerk  
(SEAL)  
  
9/22/15  
Date

CITY OF DEL CITY:  
  
Brian Linley, Mayor  
  
Carol Noble, City Clerk  
(SEAL)  
  
9-8-15  
Date

APPROVED by Association of Central Oklahoma Governments:

  
Elizabeth Waner, Chair  
ACOG Board of Directors  
8/26/2015  
Date











23 December 1, 2015







# NEXT STEPS: REVIEW, STUDY

## TASK FORCE REVIEW AND STUDY OF RTA GOVERNANCE MODEL



REVISIT RTD GOVERNANCE/FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE WORK



EVALUATE OTHER REGIONS' RTA MODELS



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



DEDICATED STAFF

# RTA TASK FORCE

## RTD GOVERNANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

### MOU ADOPTED - ACOG & PARTNER CITIES:

- Discussed next steps
- Polling
- RFP for Consultant
- Interviews and review

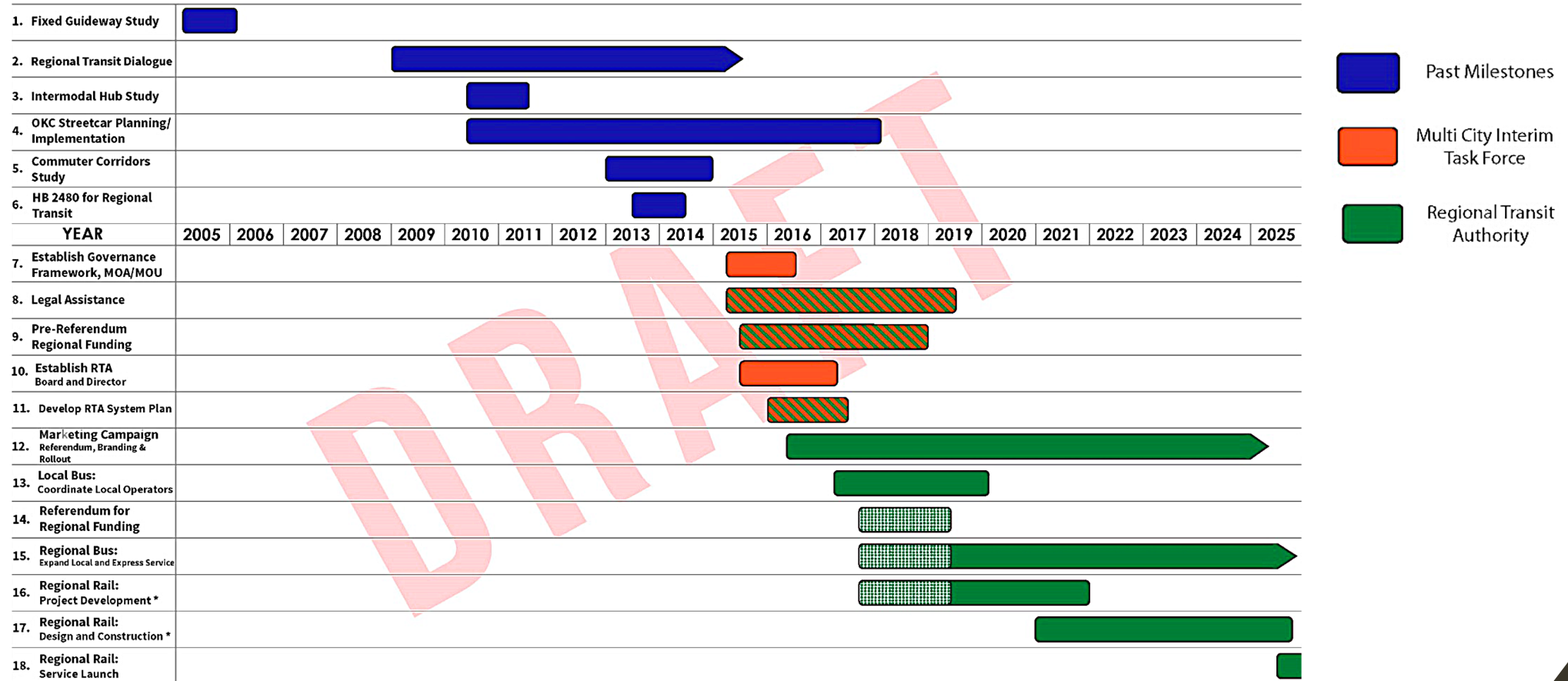
### CONSULTANT

- Kathryn Holmes with Holmes and Associates hired September 2017

### CURRENT

- Separate interviews and discussions with each partner city
- Further discussions and research on governance structure
- Reviewing representation and voting procedures

# CONCEPTUAL TIMELINE: RTA





# QUESTIONS?

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