

Robbinsdale Check-in









2021 Project Timeline

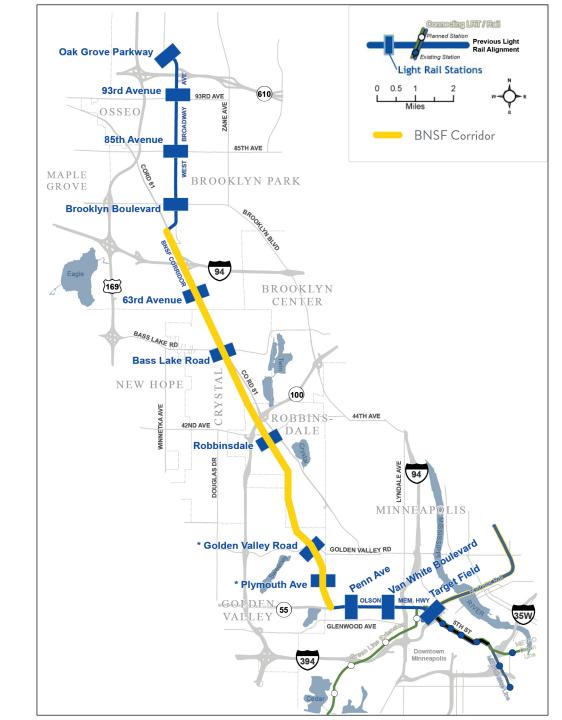






Project Transition

 August 2020: After a multi-year effort to negotiate with BNSF that included many levels of government and offers including buying the corridor, it was time to move the project forward





2021 Activities and Beyond

- End of 2021: Adopt a community supported route
 - Conceptual engineering for new route options, including station locations
 - Evaluation of project benefits and impacts
 - Identify a community supported route
 - Identify environmental path moving forward
- Beyond 2021
 - Begin environmental analysis
 - Municipal Consent
 - Develop construction ready engineering plans & design details





2021 Milestones

Tier 1: Initial Screening

Routes options released for analysis and discussion

Tier 2: Route Evaluation

- Draft report with routes evaluated against project criteria with additional engineering work, and preliminary station locations released for comments
- Final draft report with recommended route released for comments

Recommended route

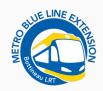
 Route advances for further engineering and environmental work in 2022







Initial Route Identification & Design Details







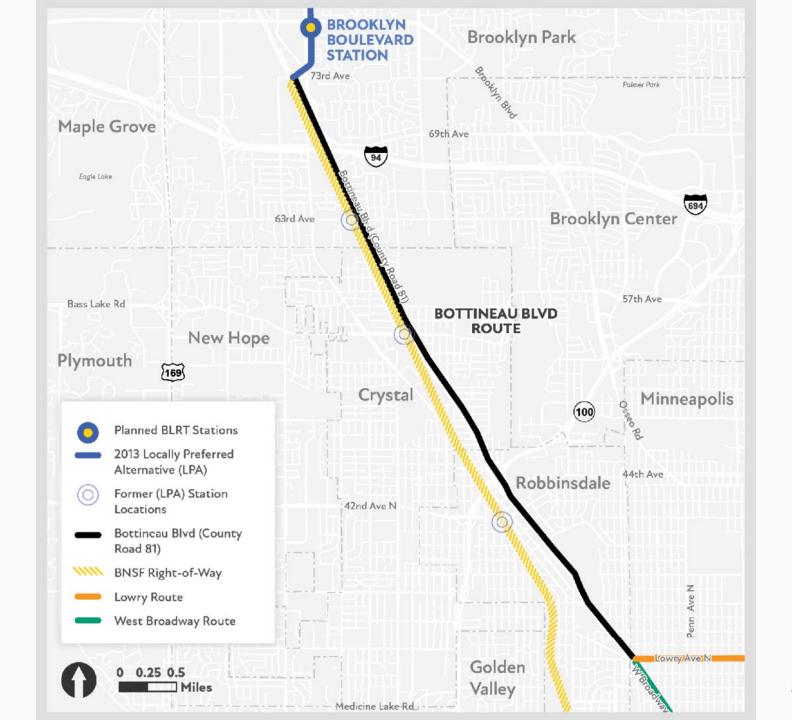
Project Areas

- Project route options
 - Confirmation of route options for Areas 1 & 2
 - Preliminary options for Area 3
- Options based on:
 - Adopted Project Principles
 - Conceptual review of LRT right of way and operational needs
 - Applicable previous work
 - Community feedback on key destinations and connections





Area 2



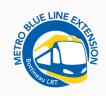






Robbinsdale Area Design Assumptions

- Two station: one serving downtown, and one serving North Memorial hospital
 - Placement TBD
- Design focused on the pedestrian experience
- Existing conditions & future development considered
- Center running at-grade LRT (exploring grade separated where appropriate)







LRT Operations & Traffic Flow

- All traffic signals/ crossings would remain
- Four lane road design
- Train movements tied with signals
 - Minimal impact on traffic operations
 - LRT doesn't prohibit emergency vehicles







Next Steps: Continue to Seek Solutions

Project Goals,
Objectives and Criteria

Conceptual Engineering and Design

Engineering Analysis to Understand LRT & Roadway Configurations

Potential Station Locations

Right of Way Impacts

Community Benefits

Further efforts to address antidisplacement, equitable development and community wealth building

Previous Project Commitments

Address investments related to the previous alignment

Stay Connected!

- Project website: BlueLineExt.org
 - Sign-up for project updates
- For questions: sophia.ginis@metrotransit.org





