# Regional Transit Planning (2018-2040)

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# Agenda

- Sound Transit 3
- King County Metro's METRO CONNECTS plan and Development Program
- Downtown Seattle One Center City
- Questions







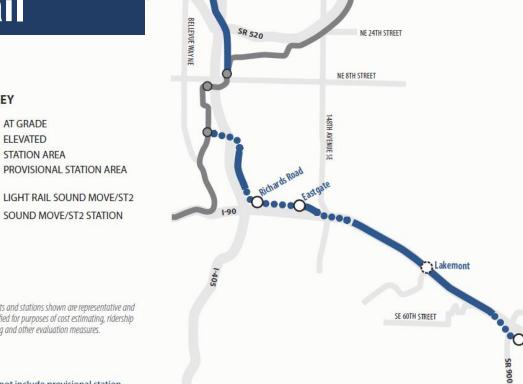
### **East King County**

- A Link Seattle to Redmond Technology Center
- B Link Redmond Technology Center to downtown Redmond
- C Link South Kirkland to Issaquah
- D BRT I-405/SR 518
- BRT SR 522/NE 145th St.
- F North Sammamish Park & Ride



### South Kirkland to Issaquah Light Rail

- Representative alignment
- Early planning anticipated to begin in 2026
- Service to begin in 2041



South Kirkland

Alianments and stations shown are representative and are identified for purposes of cost estimating, ridership forecasting and other evaluation measures.

MAP KEY

\* Does not include provisional station.



### I-405 Bus Rapid Transit

#### **Highlights:**

- 10 minute frequency in peak hours, 15 minute off-peak
- New stations at:
  - □ NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street in Kirkland
  - □ NE 44<sup>th</sup> Street in north Renton
  - ☐ Grady Way/Rainier in South Renton
- Connections at existing transit facilities and with SR 522 BRT
- Sound Transit will coordinate with WSDOT on implementation of the I-405 Master Plan, including additional capital projects to improve bus speed and reliability, should funding become available



#### I-405 North BRT



### Lynnwood to Bellevue

- In Express Toll Lanes and busonly shoulder lanes for majority of trip
- In general purpose lanes from Lynnwood to Canyon Park
- Provides connection to SR 522
   BRT at 195th/UW Bothell
- Serves Totem Lake
- Serves Central Kirkland

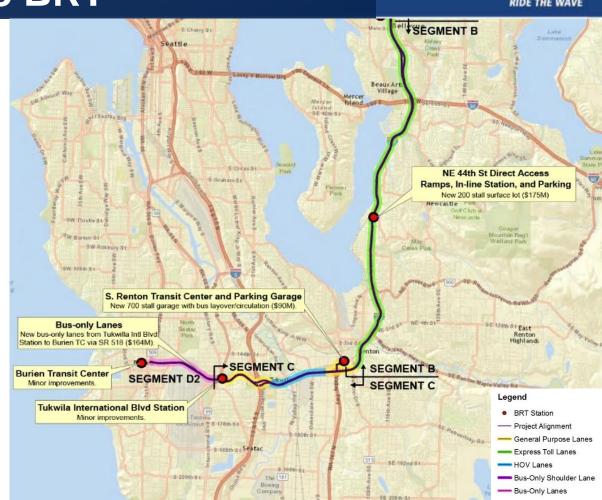


### **I-405 South/SR 518 BRT**



#### Bellevue to Burien

- In Express Toll Lanes from Bellevue to S Renton
- In HOV lanes from S Renton to SR 518
- In GP lanes to Tukwila Int'l Blvd station (TIBS)
- In bus-only lanes from TIBS to Burien Transit Center





#### METRO CONNECTS Vision – More Service, More Choices

#### METRO CONNECTS envisions that by 2040:

- 73% of residents would be within ½ mile of frequent service
- Frequent transit service would be provided to 87% of low-income and 77% of minority residents
- RapidRide would expand to 26 lines
- Capital investment would double for each dollar spent on service





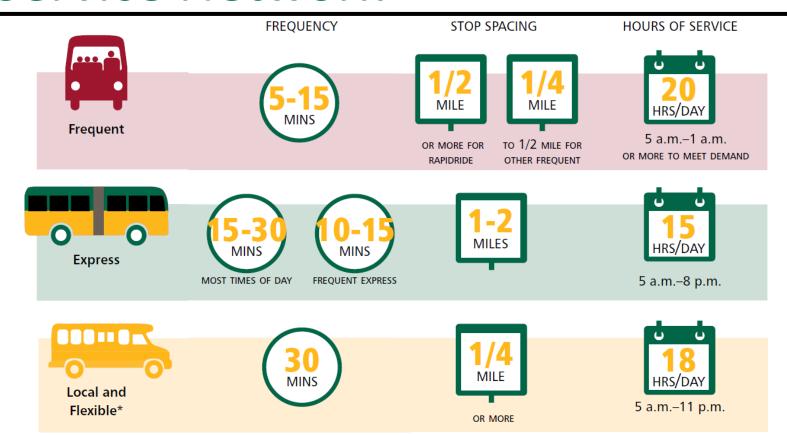


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### Service Network



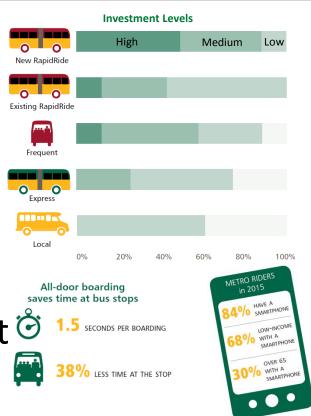
**Proposed Network** 





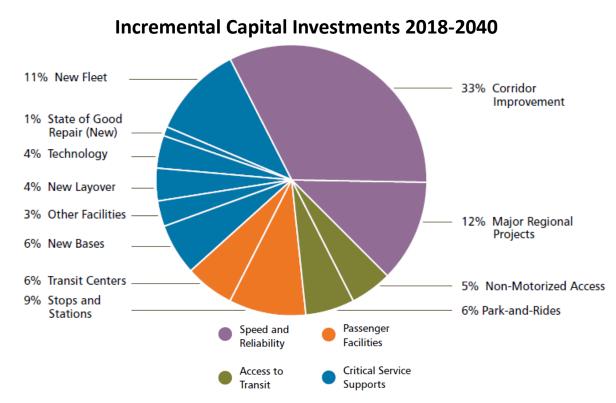
# Service Quality Investments

- Speed and Reliability
- Boarding and Fares
- Innovation and Technology
- Customer Communications
- Passenger Facilities
- Access to Transit
- Transit-Oriented Development <sup>©</sup>



# **Critical Service Supports**

- Fleet: 625 additional buses needed by 2040
- Layover Areas: Increase layover spaces by 50% by 2040
- Operations and System
  Preservation: Invest in
  building and maintaining
  infrastructure
- Metro's Workforce: Expand our skilled workforce



# Development Program

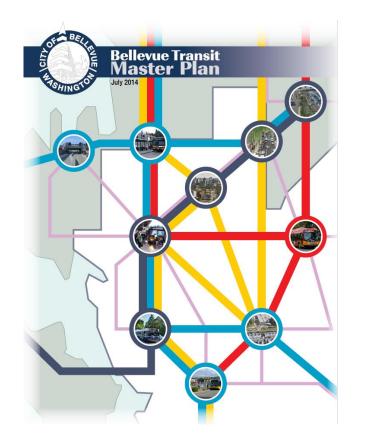
#### **Outcomes:**

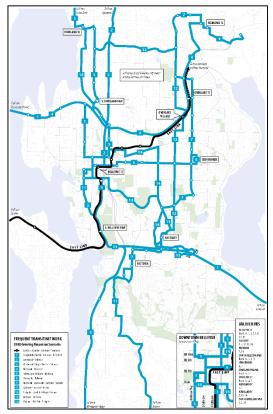
- Create a collaborative regional project schedule
- Provides framework and tools to organize work to:
  - Facilitate partnerships
  - Build case for grants
  - Help inform biennial budgets

# Partnership Examples



Service	Service partnerships for fixed route service or potential Alternative Services
Capital	<ul> <li>Utility, data, and signal investments such as transit signal prioritization</li> <li>ROW designation or construction for priority transit use</li> <li>Installation of passenger facilities</li> <li>Staff time for project permitting and design</li> </ul>
Transit Access	<ul> <li>Cycling and pedestrian investments to enhance access to transit service</li> <li>Parking management programs that create park-and-ride spaces or transit layover</li> <li>Street network connectivity improvements</li> </ul>
Land-use	<ul> <li>Zoning measures that support increased density and mixed-uses</li> <li>Land-use measures that contribute to higher concentrations of potential transit riders</li> <li>In-fill over greenfield development prioritization</li> <li>Urban design guidelines that support transit and active transportation</li> </ul>





### Potential Partnership Opportunities in Bellevue

- Bellevue College Connector
- Bellevue Way HOV
- Various speed and reliability projects
- Various access projects



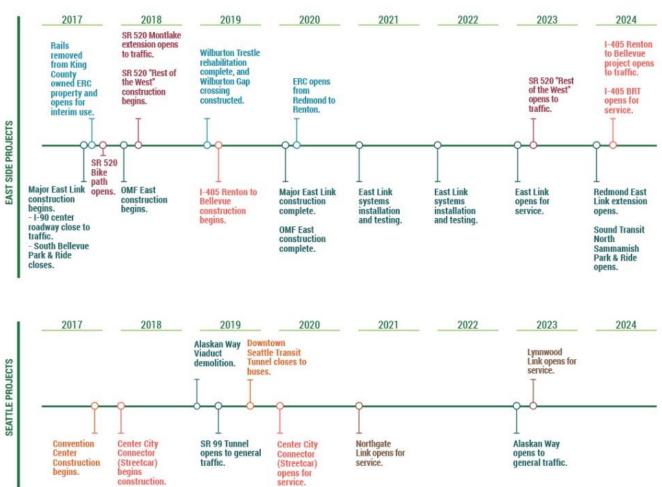
# **Key Objectives**

- Prepare for transportation system changes
- Manage construction to keep people and freight moving in downtown Seattle
- Create a vision for the OCC public realm

## **Eastside Impacts**

- Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel changes
- Regional Bus Truncation
  - Truncate the ST 550 at ID Station
    - Consideration eliminated
  - Truncate all bus routes that cross SR 520 at UW/Montlake
    - Consideration ongoing

#### **Upcoming Regional Construction**



### Regional Transit Ongoing Engagement

- Bellevue staff actively engaged on Sound Transit, Metro initiatives
- Provide Council regional updates the fourth Monday of every month

### Questions?

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