

# *Minnesota GO* *Achieving the Vision*

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# Corridors of Commerce

- Program focuses on mobility and completion projects
- Strategic investments to support regional growth and economic activity
- New program, established 2013
- Allocated \$300 M to the program in 2014
- \$300 M is only a “**down payment**” on the this larger vision

# Eligible projects for Corridors of Commerce

- Greater Minnesota
  - Must be located on an Interregional Corridor
- Twin Cities Metro
  - Project selected through separate criteria (projects being considered are completion of Hwy 610, expansion of MnPASS system, new interchanges – connectivity and mobility)
- Potential for multiple categories of projects
  - each with its own criteria

# Selection Criteria

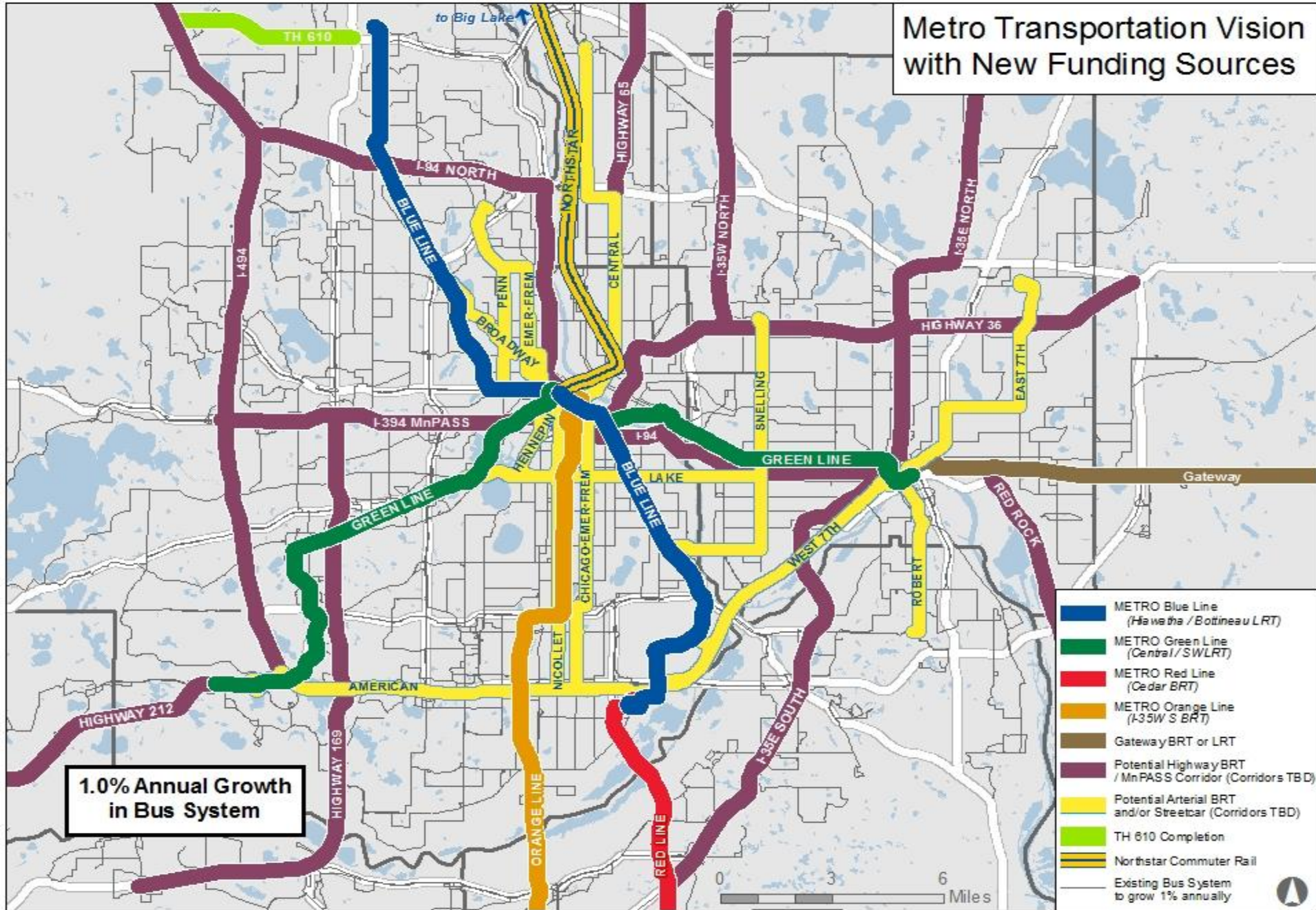
- Project cannot be in the STIP, can be long range
- Objective criteria to determine projects
- Include return on investment analysis
- Measurable impact on commerce and economic competitiveness
- Include measures:
  - freight efficiency, traffic safety, regional trade center connections
- Support of the surrounding community
- Must be long term investments

# Other Program Features

- Commissioner shall annually accept recommendations from ATPs and Stakeholders
  - There will *not* be formal application process
- Local cost share based on a Cost Participation Policy
- Projects need support and consensus of surrounding community
- Turnback costs not eligible use of funds

# Integrated Metro Area - 20 Year Vision (with new funding)

## Metro Transportation Vision with New Funding Sources



**1.0% Annual Growth in Bus System**

- █ METRO Blue Line (Hawthorne / Bottineau LRT)
- █ METRO Green Line (Central / SWLRT)
- █ METRO Red Line (Cedar BRT)
- █ METRO Orange Line (I-35W S BRT)
- █ Gateway BRT or LRT
- █ Potential Highway BRT / MnPASS Corridor (Corridors TBD)
- █ Potential Arterial BRT and/or Streetcar (Corridors TBD)
- █ TH 610 Completion
- █ Northstar Commuter Rail
- █ Existing Bus System to grow 1% annually



# Moving Forward

- Public awareness
- Align citizens, businesses, stakeholders, advocacy groups
- We seek your input and support to help make this vision a reality
- “We all have a stake in A to B”



# Questions?