



Arterial Bus Rapid Transit Update

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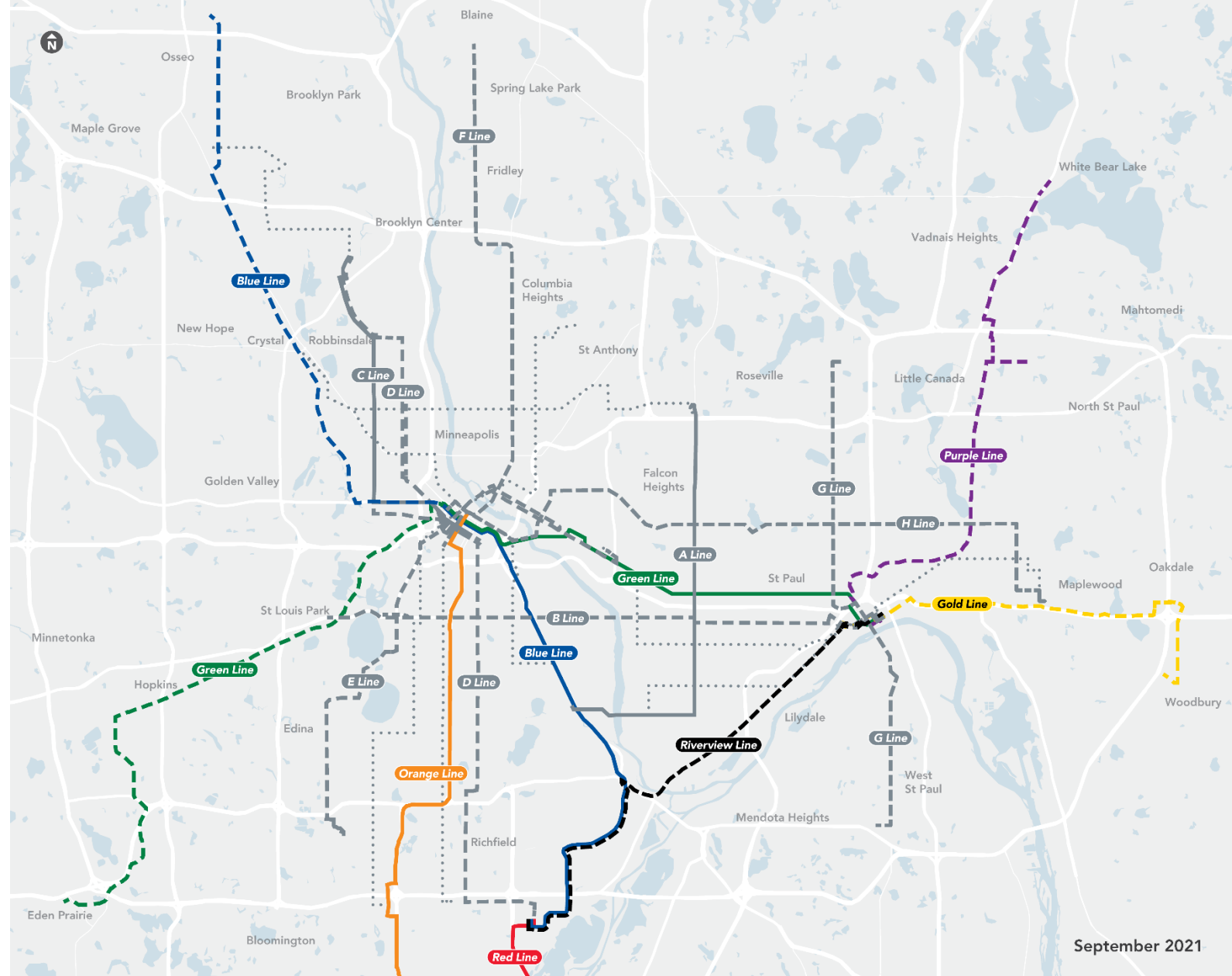
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A network of eight arterial BRT lines planned by 2030

- A Line (Snelling): Open 2016
- C Line (Penn): Open 2019
- D Line (Chicago/Fremont) Opens 2022
- B Line (Lake/Marshall/Selby) Opens 2024
- E Line (Hennepin/France) Opens 2025
- F Line (Central Avenue) Opens 2026, pending full funding
- G Line (Rice/Robert – Routes 62/68) 2025-2030 implementation
- H Line (Como/Maryland – Route 3) 2025-2030 implementation



Current METRO network

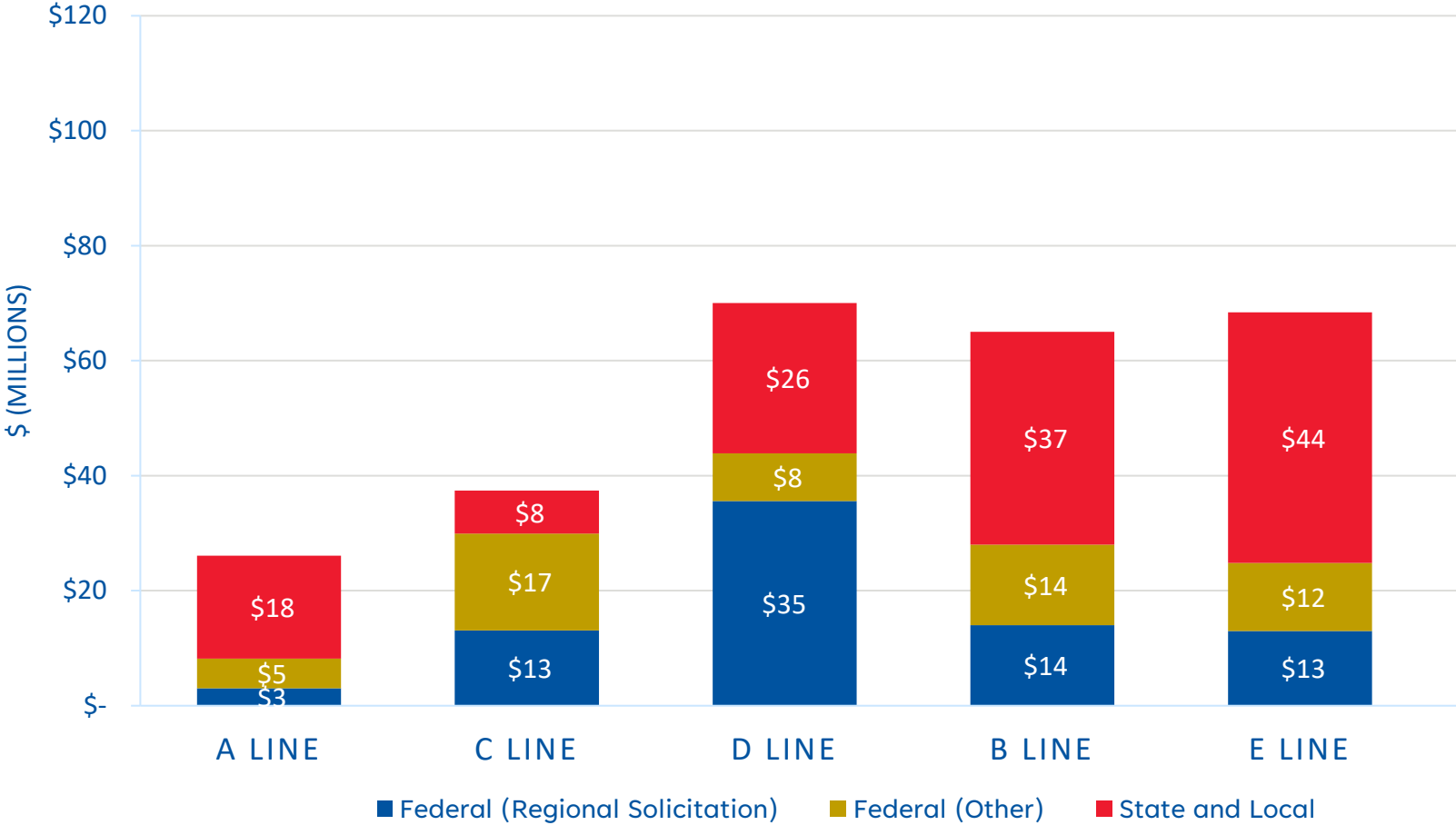
- A Line
- C Line
- Blue Line
- Green Line
- Orange Line
- Red Line

Planned METRO network

- - - Planned BRT
- Additional candidates for BRT between 2030 and 2040
- Gold Line
- Purple Line
- Green Line Extension
- Blue Line Extension
- Riverview Line

TAB role in funding arterial BRT

ARTERIAL BRT CAPITAL FUNDING SOURCES

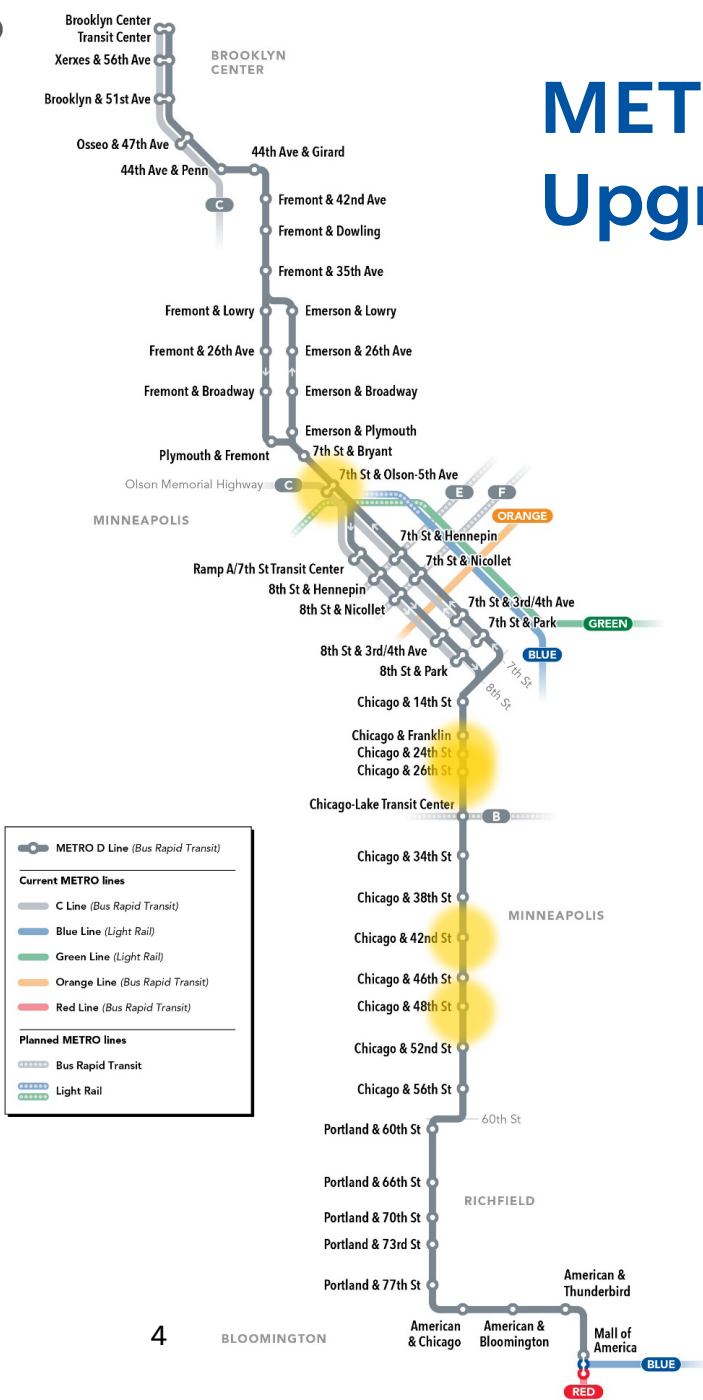


- F Line: \$25 million awarded in 2021
- G Line: \$25 million requested in current solicitation

METRO D Line

Upgrading Minnesota's highest-ridership bus route

- Service begins December 3, 2022
- 2022 major construction
 - Chicago & 48th Street
 - Chicago & 42nd Street
 - Chicago & 26th Street
 - Chicago & 24th Street
 - 7th Street & 5th Avenue
(coordination with Green Line Extension)





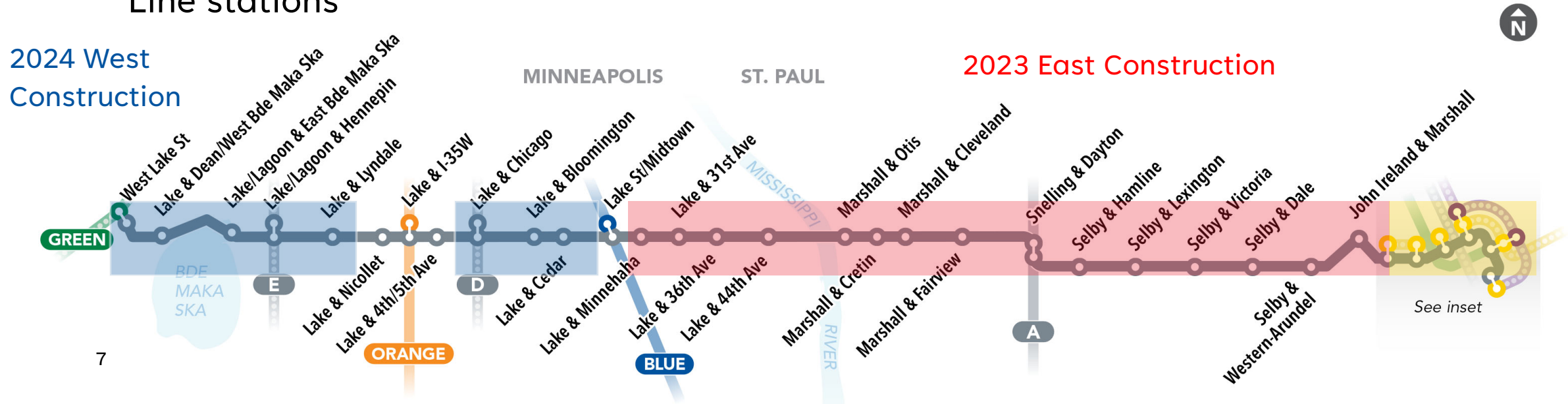
Fremont & 42nd Avenue (southbound)



Chicago & 48th Street (northbound)

METRO B Line (Lake Street / Marshall / Selby Avenue)

- Construction phasing plan refinement across 2022
 - Lake Street Improvements collaboration with Minneapolis and Hennepin County
 - Hennepin County successfully pursued \$12 million in RAISE funding for Lake Street
- 2023: Stations east of Hiawatha Avenue
- 2024: Stations west of Hiawatha Avenue, in coordination with broader RAISE-funded improvements to Lake Street
- Coordinated construction in downtown St. Paul with Regional Solicitation-funded Gold Line stations





METRO E Line (Hennepin / France) from the U of M to Southdale

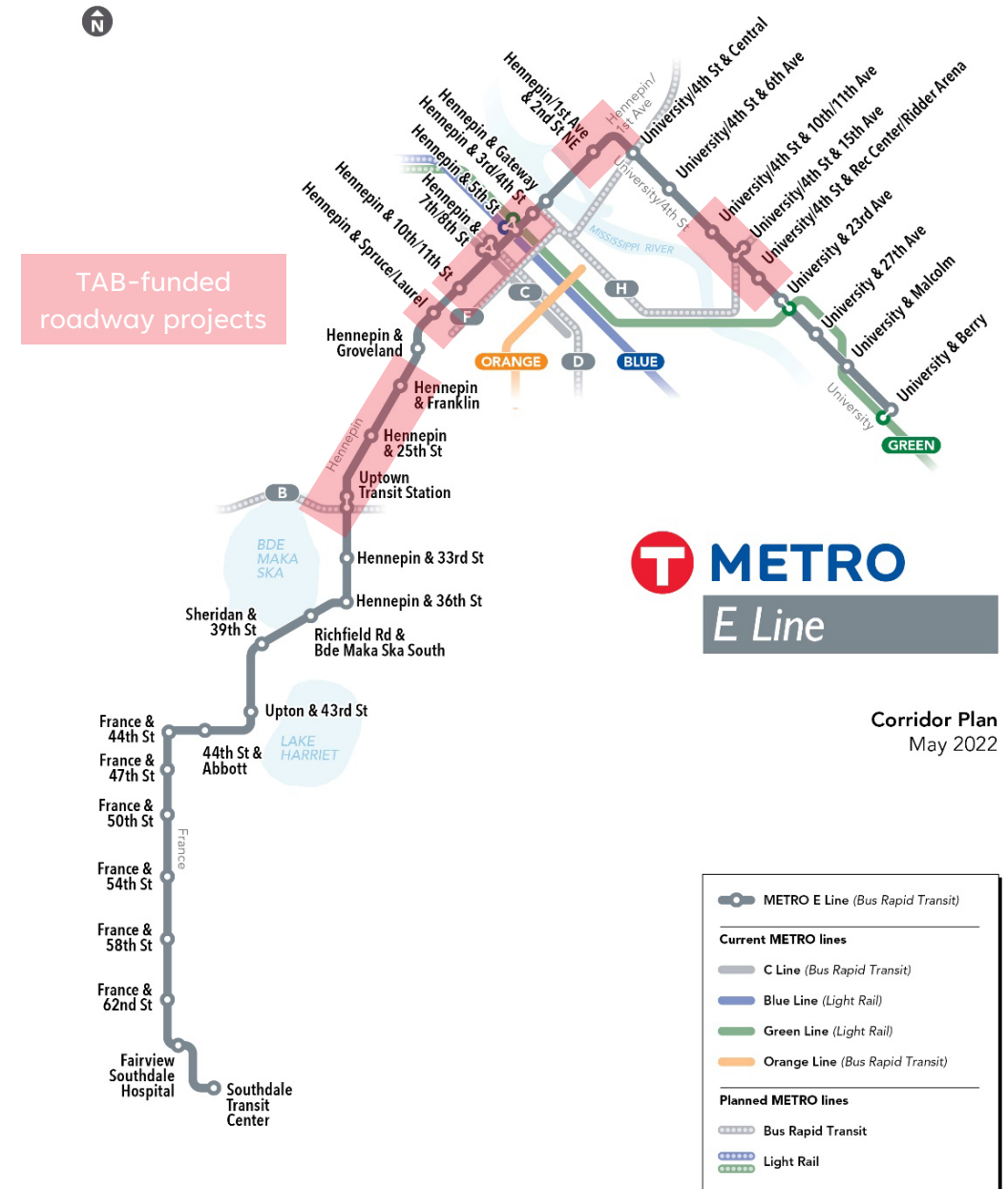
- Schedule
 - 2022-2023 engineering
 - 2024-2025 construction
 - Planned service start in 2025
- \$60 million preliminary budget; fully funded
- June: Council approval of Final Corridor Plan
- July: Engineering/Construction admin contract award, design initiation
- Continuing to work with station neighbors on platform design elements



Corridor Plan
May 2022

METRO E Line (Hennepin / France)

- Significant coordination with corridor construction projects, including TAB-funded projects
 - Minimizing risk of rework and maximizing benefit of regional transportation funding investments
- Priorities for bus-only lanes being advanced in coordination with City / County partners



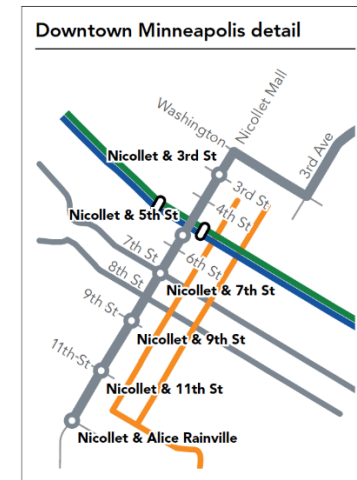
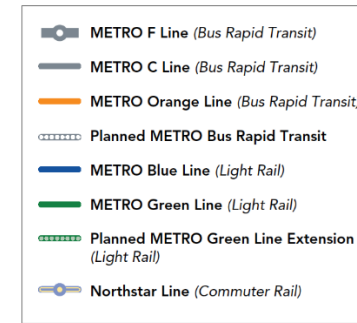
METRO F Line (Central Avenue) from Blaine to Minneapolis

- Schedule
 - October 2022: Release Draft Corridor Plan for public comment
 - Spring 2023: Final Corridor Plan for Council approval
 - 2023-2024 Engineering
 - 2025-2026 Construction
 - Planned service start 2026, pending full funding
- Current activities:
 - January 2022: Convened Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
 - May 3: Approved for entry into the Project Development phase of FTA's CIG program under Small Starts
 - Cost estimate refinement to align with FTA format
 - Coordination with MnDOT Planning & Environmental Linkages (PEL) study, examining broader alternatives for corridor changes



F Line

March 2022



METRO F Line (Central Avenue)

- MnDOT PEL Coordination

- Close coordination with MnDOT and other project partners as we continue towards evaluation of PEL alternatives
- Ensuring identified F Line platform locations will not preclude potential PEL outcomes, including potential bus-only lanes

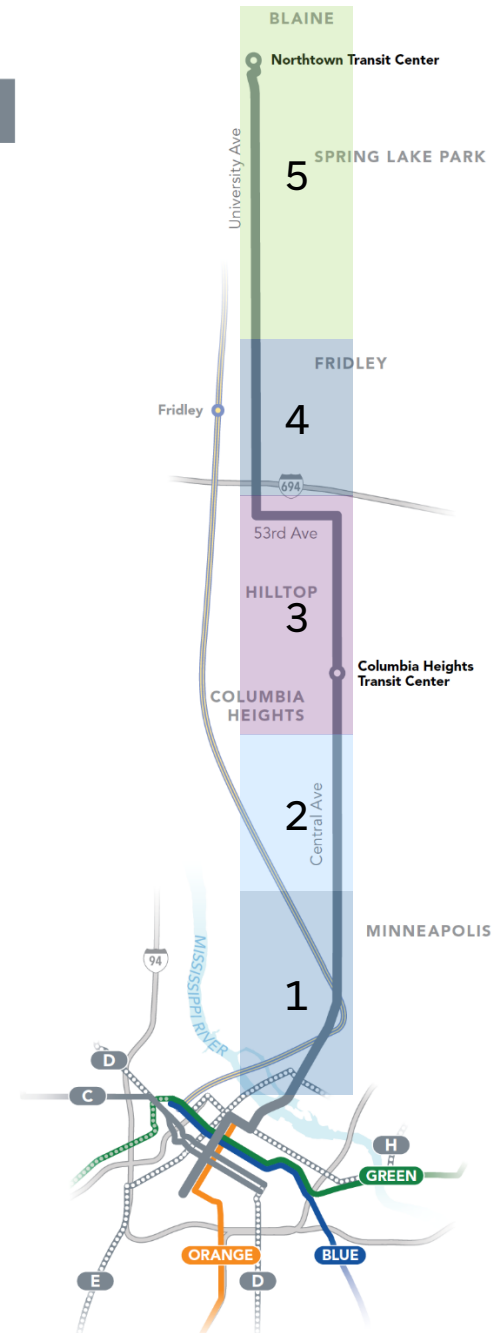
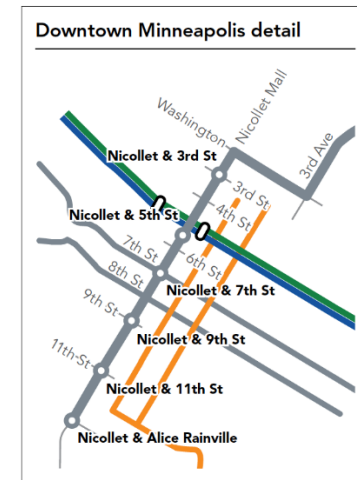
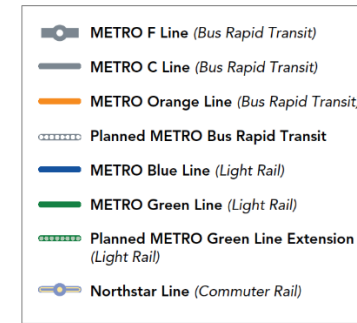
- Current and upcoming engagement activities

- Joined events along corridor (including PEL workshops) to raise awareness over the summer
- Seeking input on draft corridor plan beginning October 24
 - Mailers, targeted door knocking, meeting riders at stops and onboard, neighborhood and community organization meetings, virtual open house



F Line

March 2022



METRO G Line (Rice / Robert)

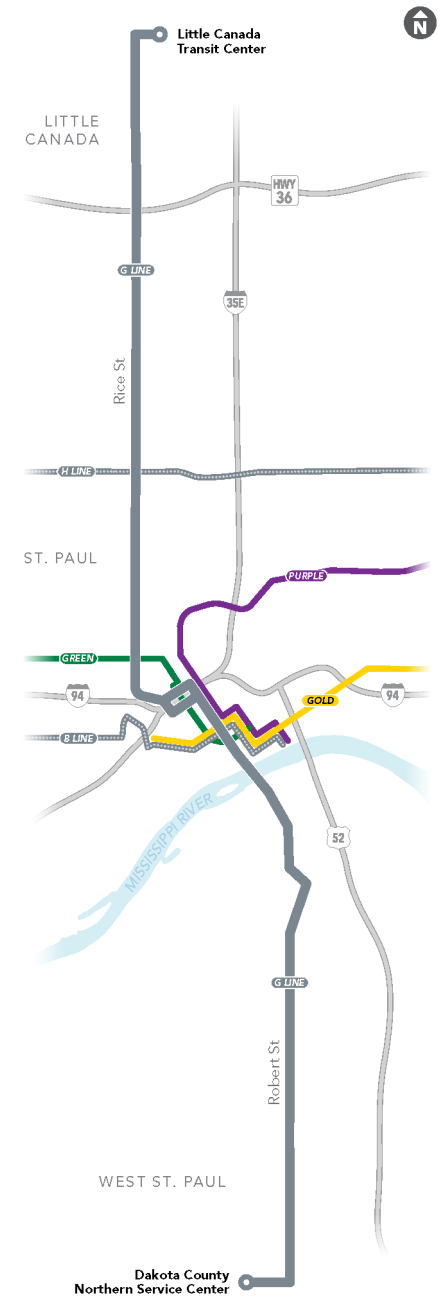
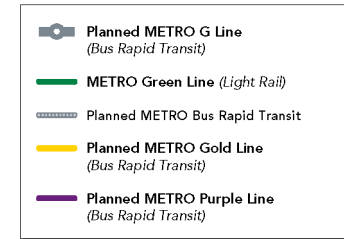
from Little Canada to West St. Paul

- Schedule
 - 2022-2024 Planning
 - 2024-2025 Engineering
 - 2026-2027 Construction
 - Planned service start 2027, pending full funding
- \$78 million preliminary budget
- April: Submitted G Line as Arterial Bus Rapid Transit project for \$25 million in 2022 Regional Solicitation
- G Line represents a major increase in transit service in the corridor
- Formal G Line planning now underway (TAC initiated in Sept)
- Early coordination with several street construction projects
 - Rice Street (Ramsey County)
 - Robert Street Downtown (St. Paul)
 - Robert Street South (MnDOT)



G Line

January 2022



METRO H Line (Como / Maryland)

from downtown Minneapolis to the east side of Saint Paul

- Upgrade to Route 3, with 5,700 daily rides in 2019
- The H Line will provide access to 170,400 jobs, including 60,600 low-wage jobs
- 45% of Route 3 riders are people of color or live in low-income households
- A critical crosstown transitway: provides connections to nearly every other line in the existing and planned METRO network
- \$105 million preliminary budget
- Corridor planning to start in 2023, with construction planned for 2027-2028, pending full funding





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