



Metro Transit Service Improvement Plan (SIP) Update

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SIP Purpose

- Long-range plan that identifies transit system improvements that best achieve regional goals
- Engage stakeholders and the public in creating the plan and reviewing the draft plan
- Combine regional vision, transit planning principles and public input to create plan

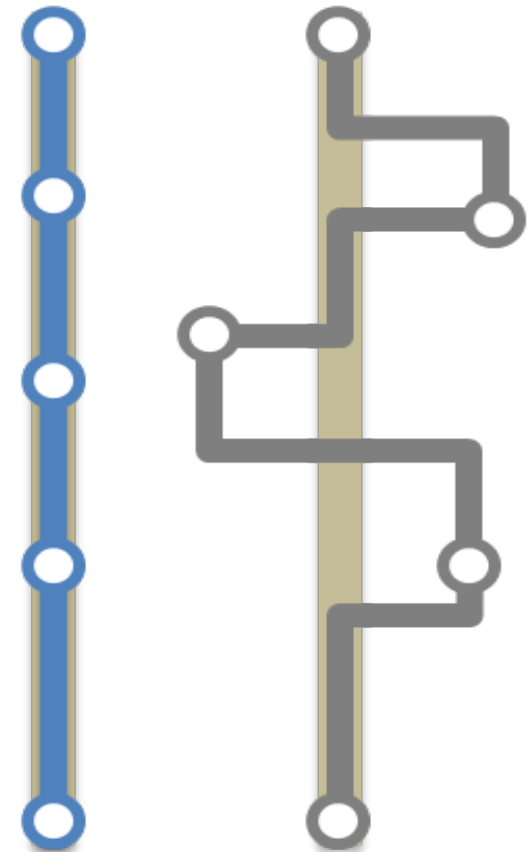
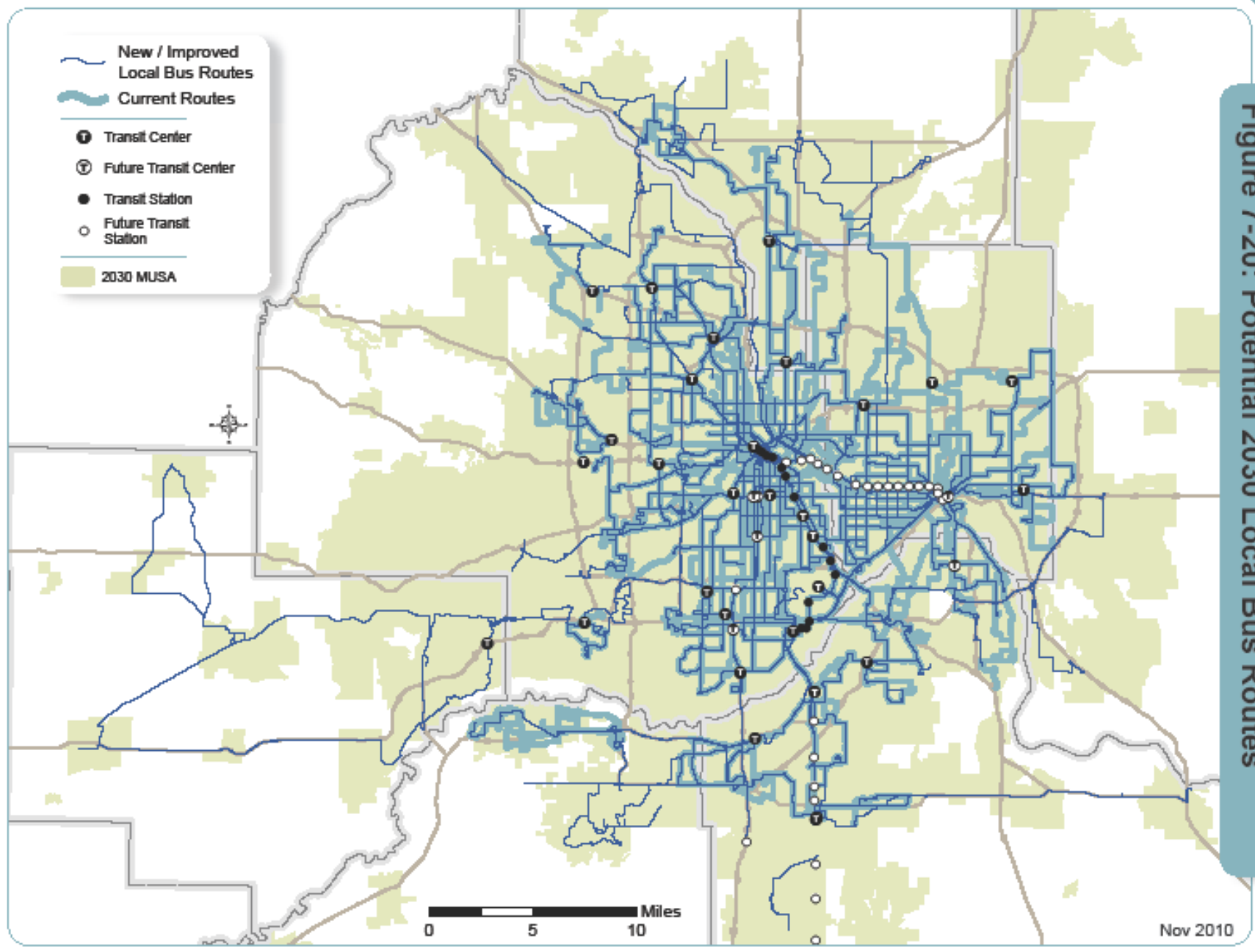




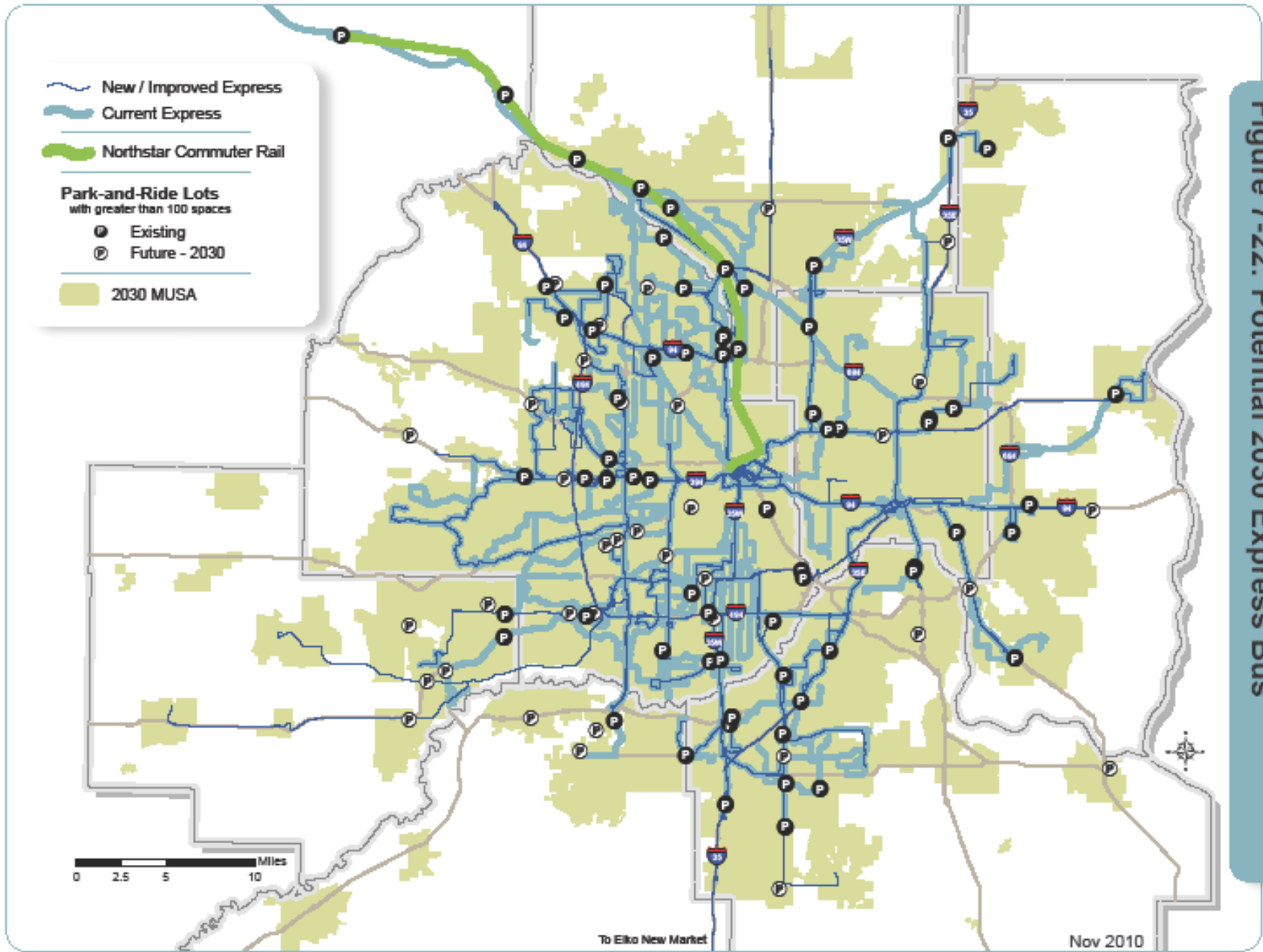
Figure 7-20: Potential 2030 Local Bus Routes



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Figure 7-22: Potential 2030 Express Bus



SIP Context

- Comprehensive update of existing plans
- Required by **2030 Transportation Policy Plan**
- Inform development of **2040 Transportation Policy Plan**
- Include in next short term **Regional SIP**

- Identify transit investment opportunities
- Guide detail service planning process

- Primary focus on **bus service expansion** and coordination with planned transitways

SIP Development Process & Timeline

- Stakeholder Outreach Nov - Dec 2013
- Receive Public Input Dec - Jan 2014
- Develop Draft SIP Feb - March 2014
- Public Review of Draft SIP April - June 2014
- Finalize SIP July - Aug 2014

Upcoming Stakeholder Outreach

- Series of workshops for public agencies and community organizations
- Engage stakeholders in the SIP process
- Provide background on transit planning basics
- Summarize feedback from recent public engagement
- Receive input on broad themes and specific suggestions
- Request help in reaching out the general public
- Workshops scheduled for November 12, 13 and 14 in Brooklyn Center, St. Paul and Edina

Public Engagement Approach

- Avoid early public meetings without specific focus
- Target public engagement based on past efforts and with guidance from stakeholders
- Rely on website, surveys, focused meetings for engagement
- Solicit input on both broad themes and specific suggestions to incorporate in draft SIP
- Look ahead to public meetings in Q2 2014 focused on reviewing draft plans



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Questions?

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