

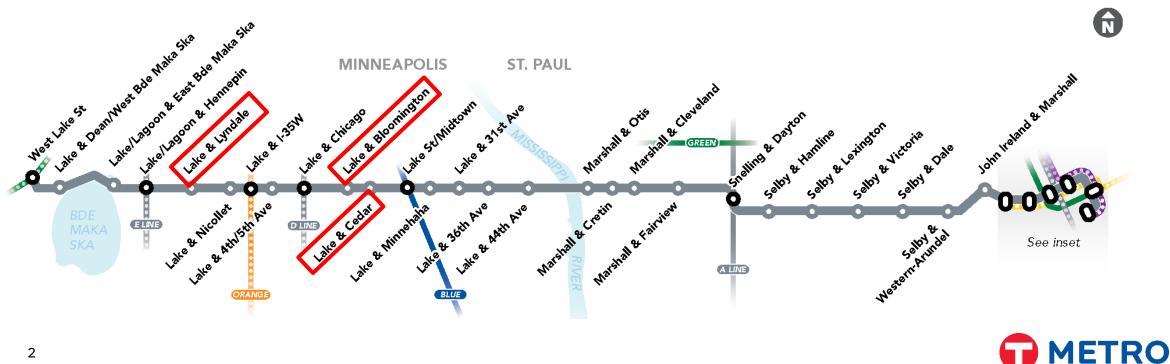
METRO B Line Corridor Plan Amendment #1

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Proposed Action 2022-78

• Approve Amendment #1 to the B Line Corridor Plan, to update platform locations at three planned B Line stations: Lake & Lyndale, Lake & Bloomington, and Lake & Cedar



B Line Corridor Plan background

- October 13, 2021: Metropolitan Council approved B Line Corridor Plan (Business Item 2021-244)
- Fall 2021: detailed design of B Line stations began
- January 2022: multi-agency staff recommendation for Lake Street improvements
- Early 2023: B Line construction begins



Recommended Lake Street improvement concept

- Goals to improve transit speed and reliability, reduce crashes on a high-injury street, and address
 pedestrian safety needs
- Restripes most of Lake Street within Minneapolis:
 - General approach to replace 4-lane undivided sections with 3-lane section plus bus lane in westbound direction
 - Bus lanes recommended in both directions in one-way segments of Lake Street / Lagoon Avenue and some existing 5-lane segments
 - Concept results in bus lanes on about 50% of Lake Street, along with left-turn lanes for safer traffic operations across the corridor
- Responds to feedback from corridor plan engagement, including 500+ comments supporting bus priority



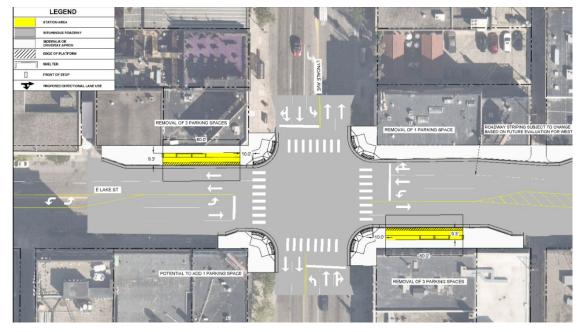
Station changes at Lyndale, Bloomington, and Cedar

To facilitate these broader changes, B Line stations at Lyndale, Bloomington, and Cedar avenues will need to shift from what was included in the approved corridor plan



Approved platform configuration

Amended platform configuration





Public engagement

- Recommended concept developed based on feedback from past efforts
- Hennepin County has led engagement around broader Lake Street changes
- Targeted stakeholder outreach, neighborhood organizations
- City Council Member and County Commissioner briefings
- In addition to supporting these efforts, Metro Transit has targeted additional outreach to station neighbors at Lyndale, Bloomington, and Cedar



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Lake Street improvements

Bus Rapid Transit is coming to Lake Street

Lake Street (County Road 3) is one of Minneapolis' most important and lively roads. It connects a diverse collection of neighborhoods, cultural institutions, restaurants and small businesses from Bde Maka Ska to the Mississippi River.

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The introduction of Metro Transit's B Line project, along with potential improvements to corridor, provides an opportunity to rethink and improve how Lake Street is used by all who walk, bike, roll, drive and use transit.

Project information (PDF)





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