



## Network Now

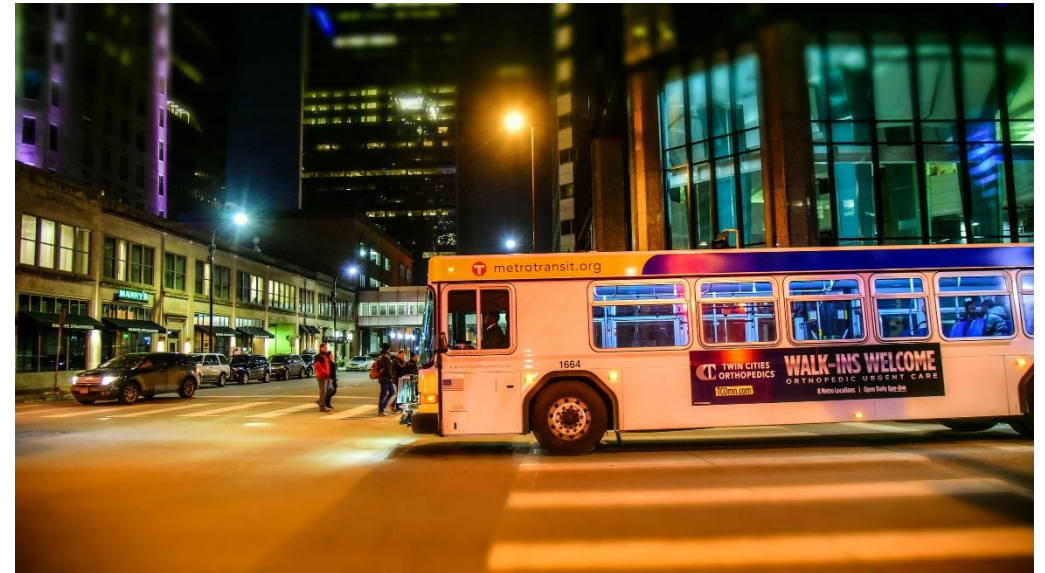
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**What is Network Now?**

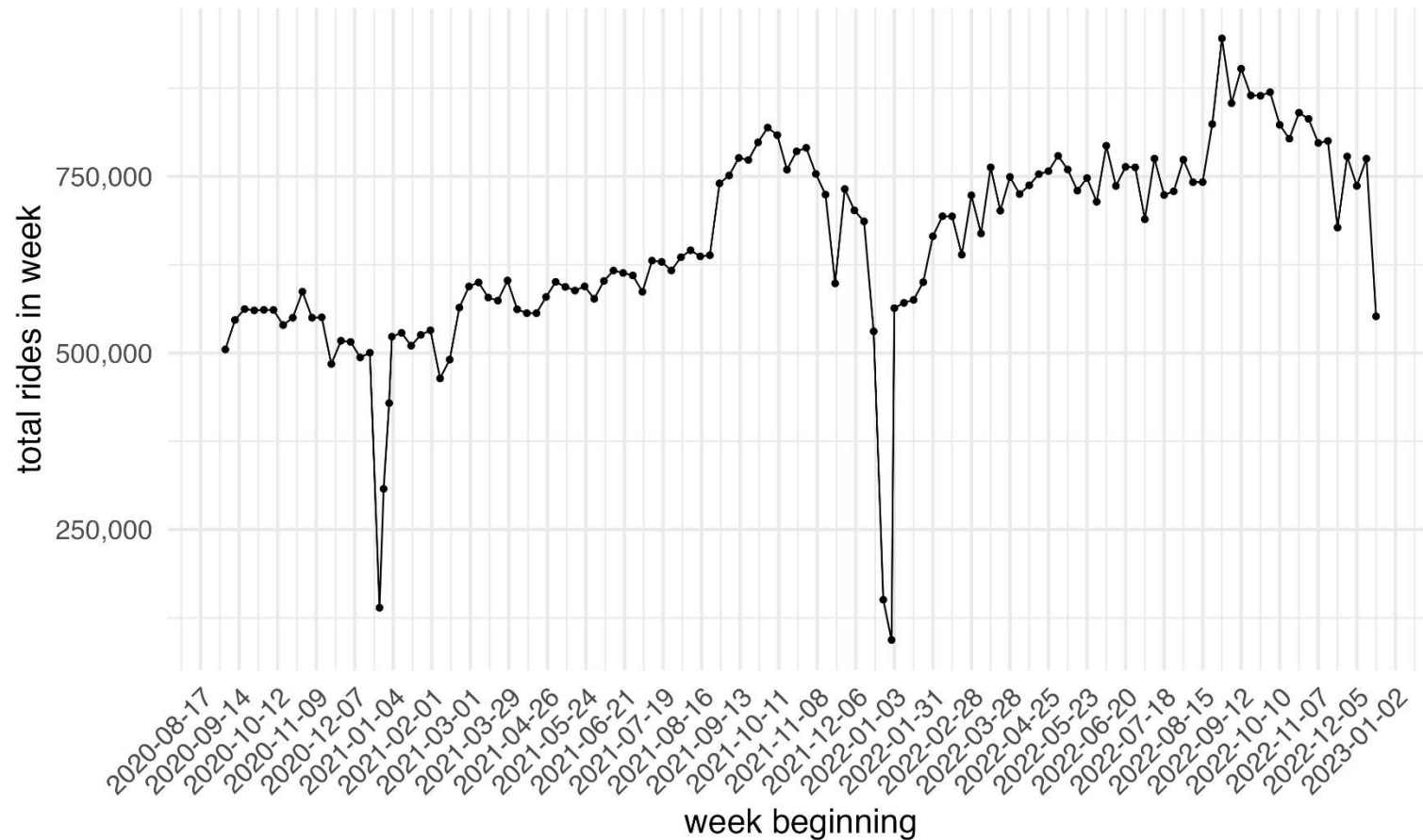
# Setting the course for the next five years

- Metro Transit network and level of service over the next five years
  - priorities
  - scenarios
- Framework for decision-making recognizing *constraints*



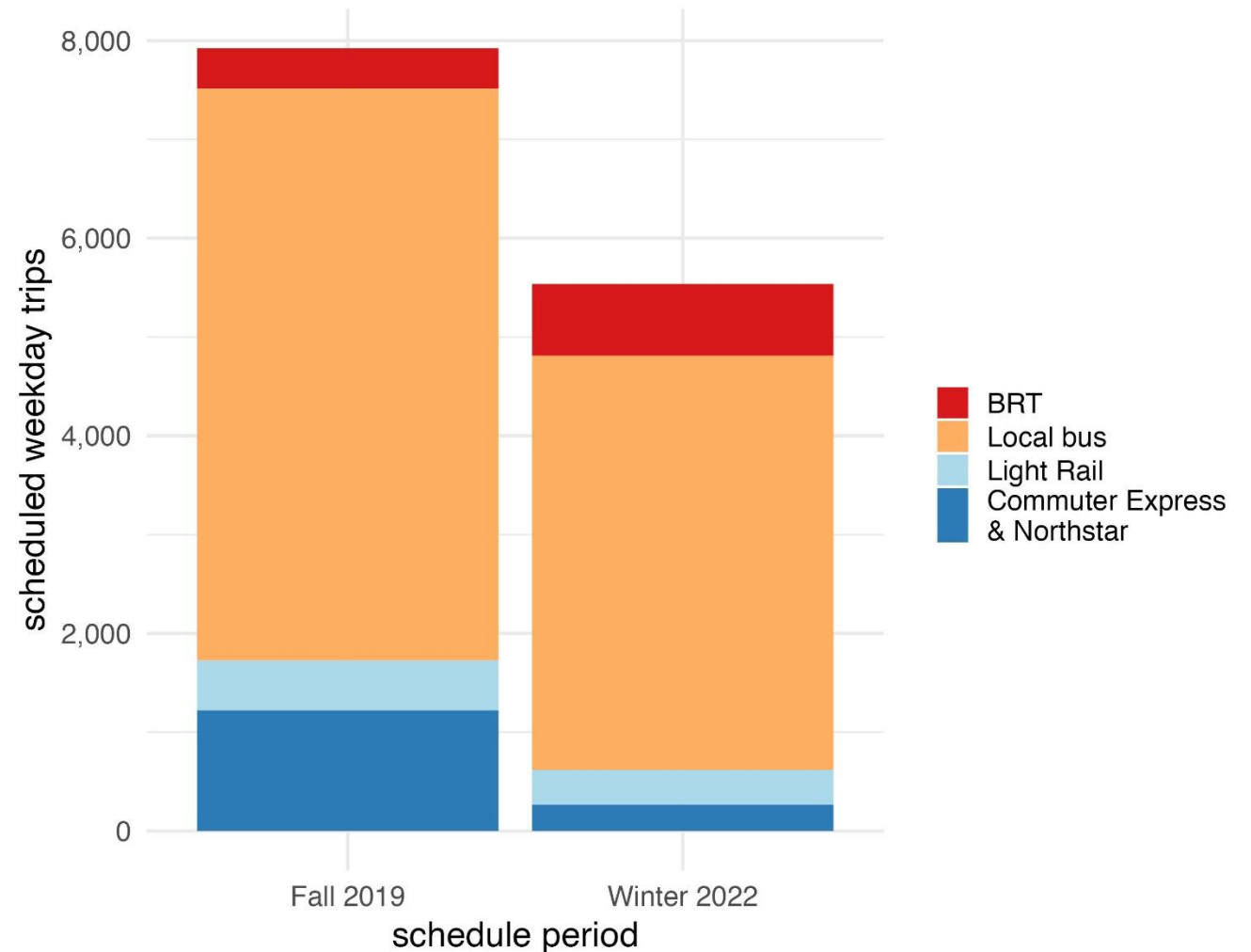
# Metro Transit ridership demand is growing

Metro Transit system ridership  
weekly Total Boardings across service types



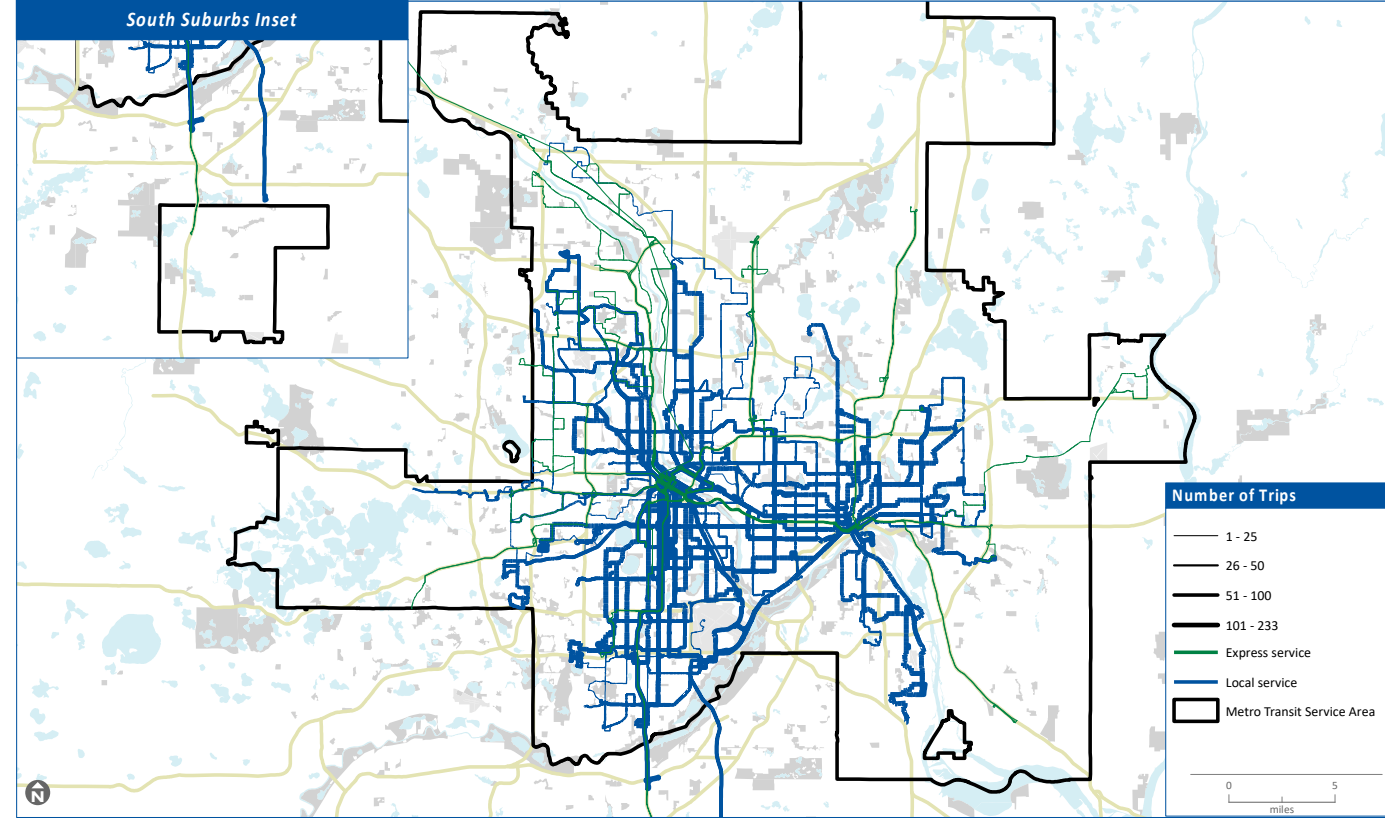
# Metro Transit service has been reduced

- *supply* of transit has declined
- adaptations to events 2020-2022
- quarterly plans responsive to conditions



Weekday Service as of December 2022 by Type

South Suburbs Inset



## Current Metro Transit System

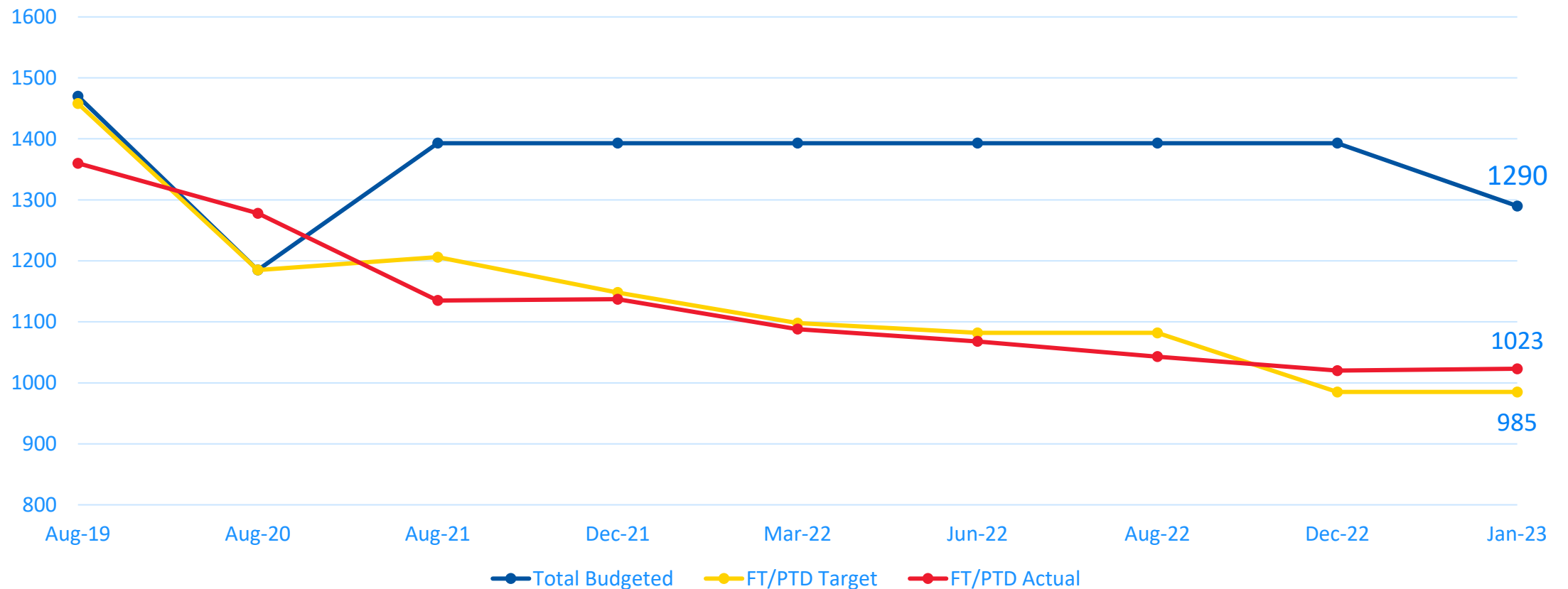
159 Routes    22.9 million route miles

- 31    Core Local *(5 suspended)*
- 73    Commuter & Express *(49 suspended)*
- 47    Suburban & Supporting Local Routes *(11 suspended)*
- 5    BRT
- 2    LRT
- 1    Commuter Rail

# Overview of today's Network

# Metro Transit Bus operator workforce

Operator Staffing Levels compared to Budget\* and Service Targets



## Over the next year we will:



- Conduct a regional discussion of values and principles for transit service
- Tell the story of adaptation and resilience in transit service, 2020-2022
- Identify plans for improving transit service through 2027



## Network Now products

1. Summary of historical and current values and principles
2. **Statement of Values and Principles to guide transit service decisions**
3. Detailed narrative of changes in transit service 2020-2022
4. **Description of Current network as basis for near-term change**
5. Plans for service changes through 2027
  - dependent on constraints and scenarios

## What is included

- Changes to existing route service
- Frequency or span of existing and planned METRO lines
- Discontinued service and facility closures
- New or redesigned routes
- Speed and Reliability actions

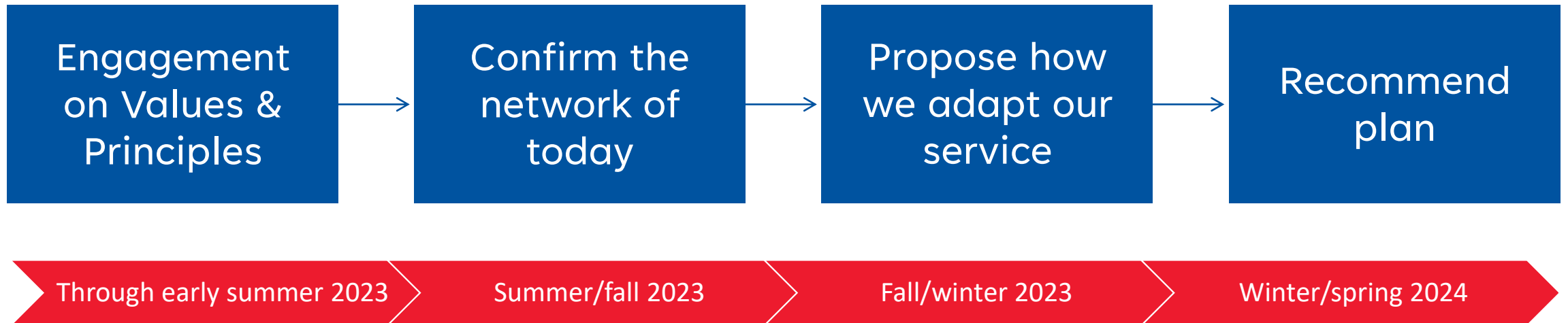
## What is *not* included

- Changes to the construction or alignment of planned METRO lines
- New capital projects
- Fare policy changes
- Projects outside Metro Transit service area
- Long-term or regional planning
- Transportation Policy Plan revisions



**Participating in Network Now**

# Project phases



## Provide input: what we will be asking first

- Explore values and experiences to develop our guiding framework for decision making
- Discuss transit tradeoffs, constraints and opportunities to better understand community priorities
- Examine what is working well and what could function better

## Engagement activities

- Website and newsletter to share information and next steps
- Online and paper survey
- Spring community forums
- Direct outreach to community stakeholders and partners
- Pop-up events and community event attendance



# Thank You!

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