



Robbinsdale Listening Session: April 28



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Today's Topics

- 2021 Project Timeline
- Route Options & Next Steps
- Needed Feedback
- Discussion

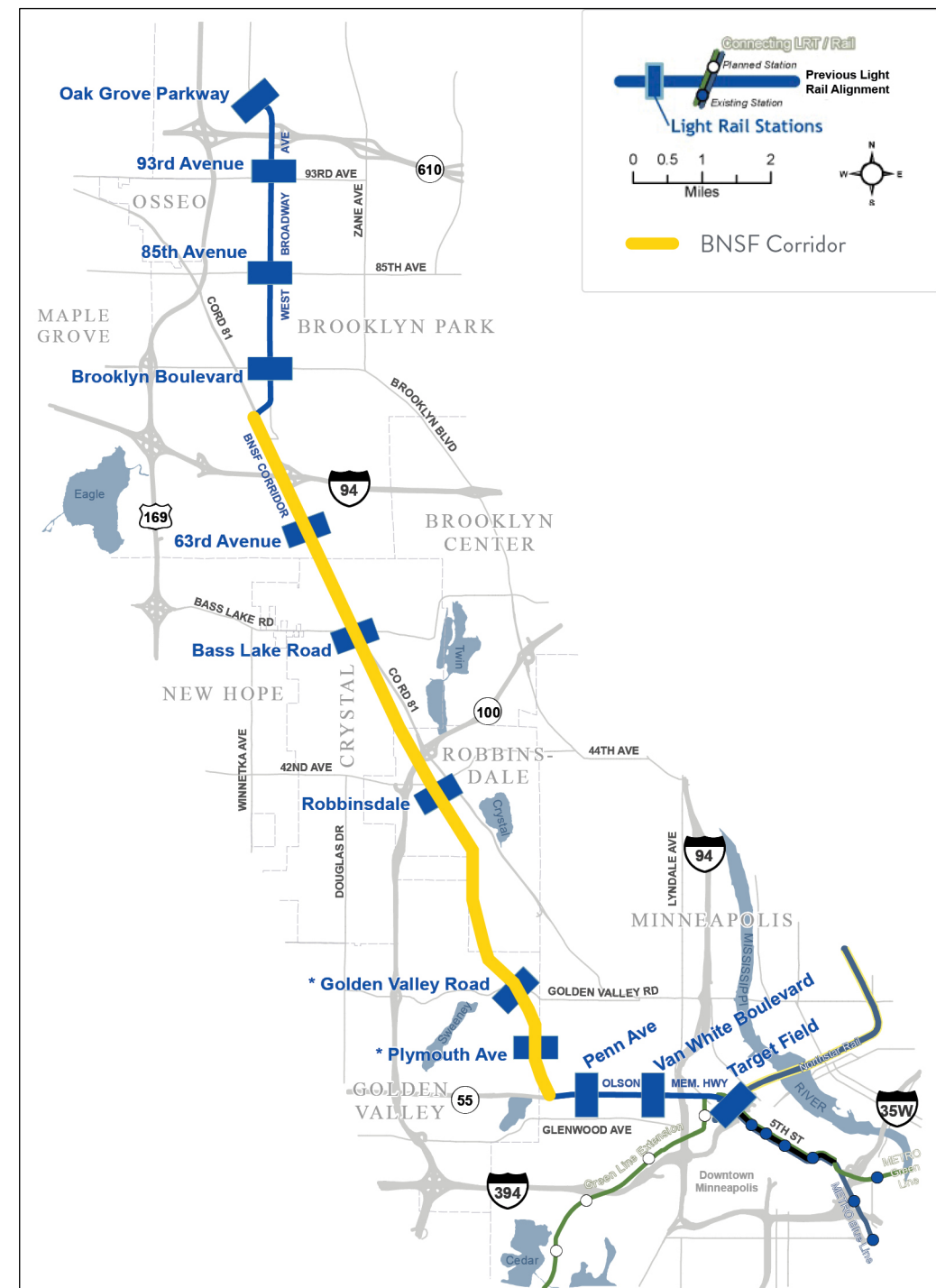


2021 Project Timeline



Project Transition

- August 2020: After a multi-year effort to negotiate with BNSF that included many levels of government and offers including buying the corridor, it was time to move the project forward



Project Goals

- Select & adopt a community supported alignment by the end of 2021
 - Evaluate route options for benefits and impacts
 - Advance conceptual engineering

2021 Activities and Beyond

- End of 2021: Adopt a community supported route
 - Conceptual engineering for new route options, including station locations
 - Evaluation of project benefits and impacts
 - Identify a community supported route
 - Identify environmental path moving forward
- Beyond 2021
 - Begin environmental analysis
 - Municipal Consent
 - Develop construction ready engineering plans & design details

2021 Milestones

Tier 1: Initial Screening

- Routes options released for analysis and discussion

Tier 2: Route Evaluation

- Draft report with routes evaluated against project criteria with additional engineering work, and preliminary station locations released for comments
- Final draft report with recommended route released for comments

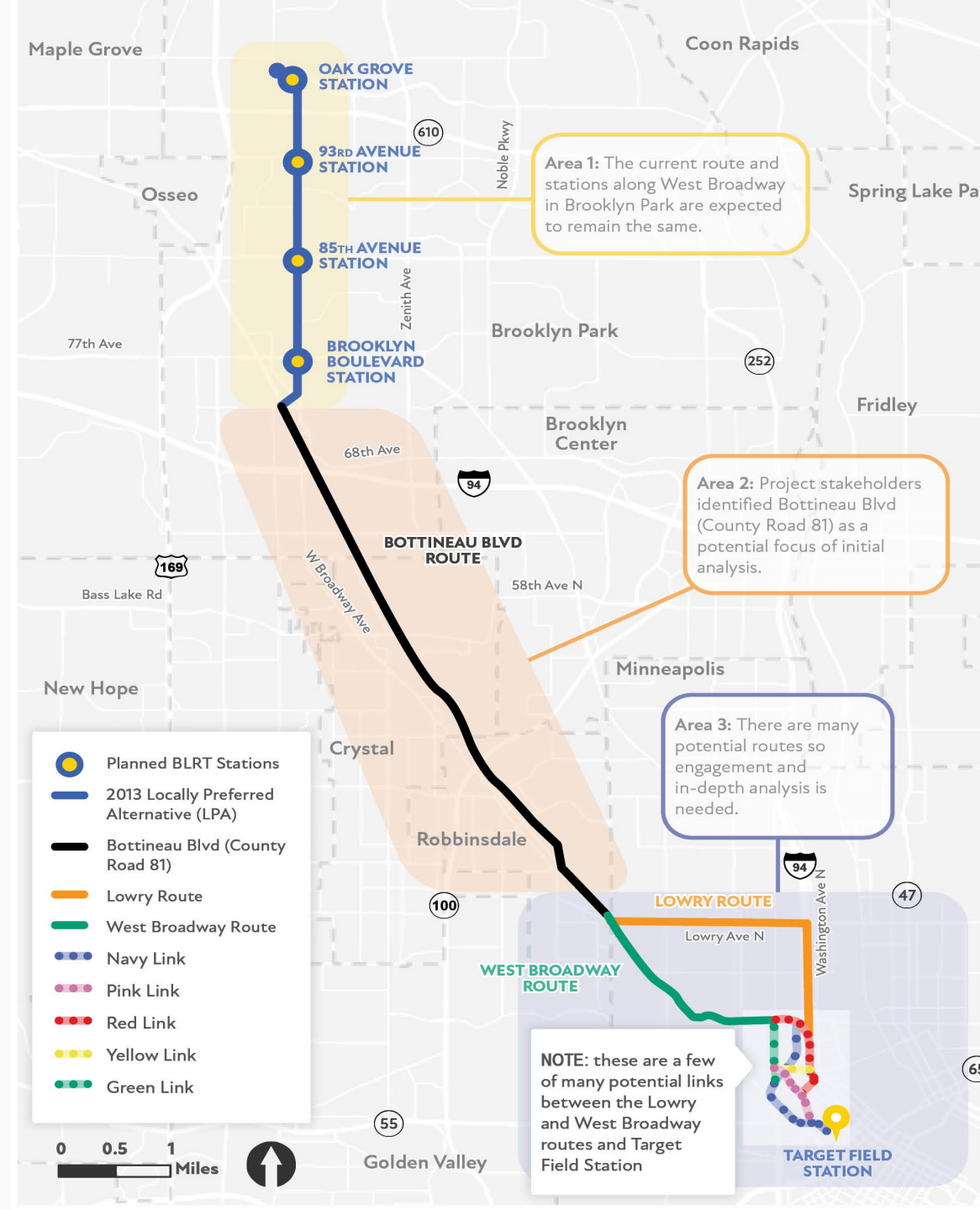
Recommended route

- Route advances for further engineering and environmental work in 2022

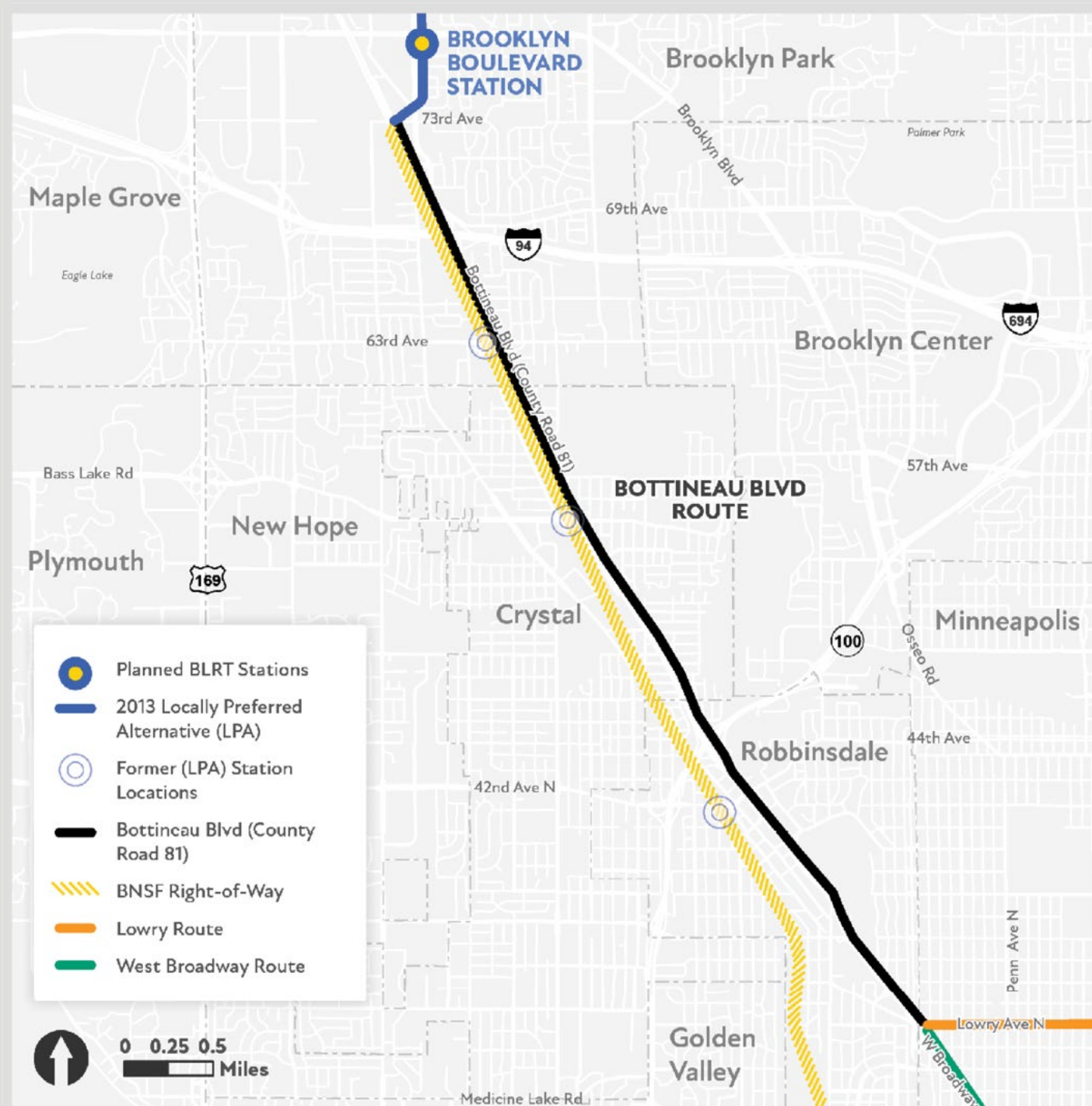
Initial Route Identification

Project Areas

- Project route options
 - Confirmation of route options for Areas 1 & 2
 - Preliminary options for Area 3
- Options based on:
 - Adopted Project Principles
 - Conceptual review of LRT right of way and operational needs
 - Applicable previous work
 - Community feedback on key destinations and connections



Area 2



Robbinsdale Area Design Assumptions

- All traffic signals/crossings would remain
- Four lane road design for County Road 81
- Two stations to serve Robbinsdale; locations to be determined:
 - Downtown
 - North Memorial campus
- Design focused on the pedestrian experience
- Existing conditions & future development considered

LRT in Your Community



Adding to the experience of vibrant business districts and recreational destinations

LRT in Your Community



Infrastructure that focuses on walkable & bikeable communities

LRT in Your Community



Reaching residential & business destinations



Getting you to work or school no matter the weather

LRT Operating Assumptions

- Connects Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Robbinsdale, Minneapolis and Bloomington to local and regional employment, education, attractions
- Hours of operation/frequency:
 - Rush hours (weekdays 6:00-9:00 AM and 3:00-6:30 PM) and midday: 10 minutes
 - Evening/Weekends/Holidays: 10-30 minutes
- Fares:
 - Adults: Ages 13 – 64:
 - Non-rush hour: \$2; rush-hour \$2.50 (good for 2 ½ hours)
 - Reduced Fare: Youth/Seniors/Medicare Card Holders
 - Non-rush hour: \$1; rush-hour \$2.50 (good for 2 ½ hours)



Next Steps: Continue to Seek Solutions

Project Goals, Objectives and Criteria

Conceptual Engineering and Design

Engineering Analysis to Understand LRT &
Roadway Configurations

Potential Station Locations

Right of Way Impacts

Community Benefits

Further efforts to address anti-
displacement, equitable development and
community wealth building

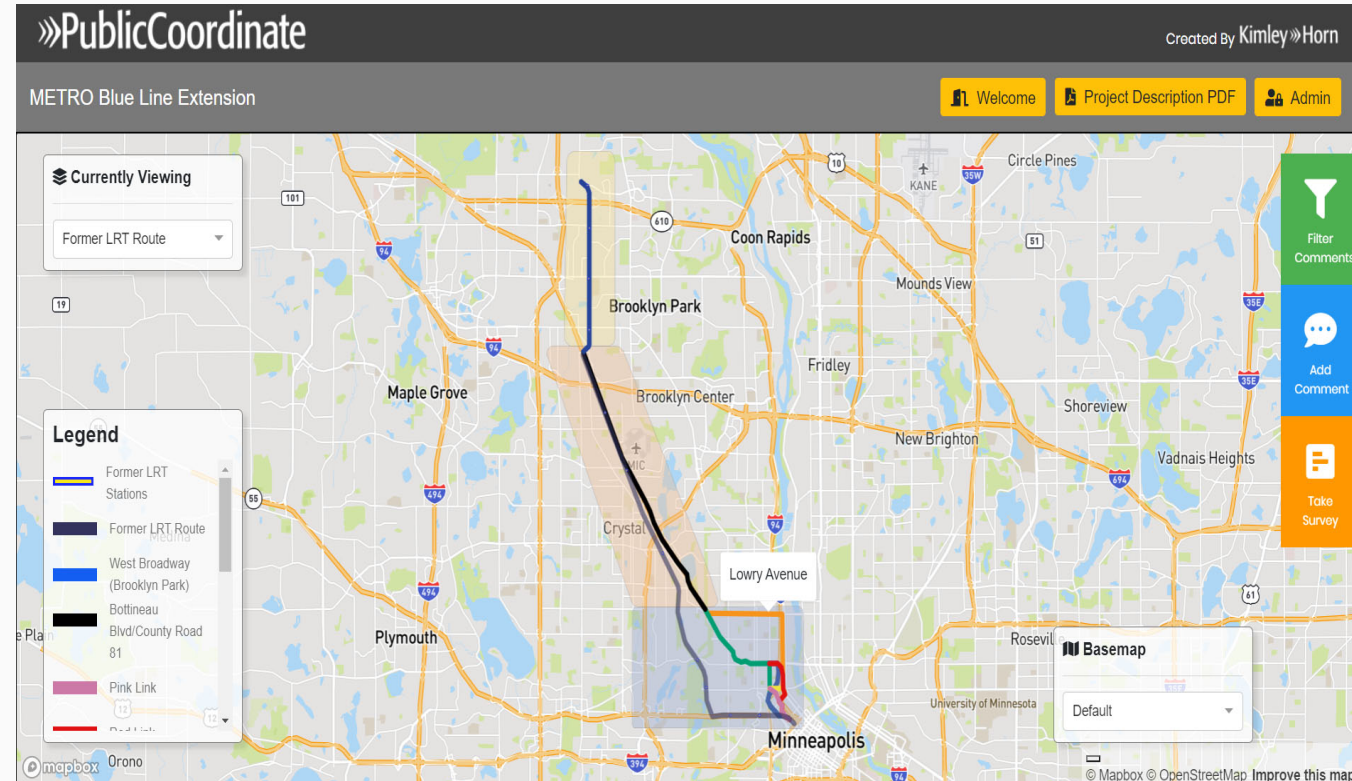
Previous Project Commitments

Address investments related to the
previous alignment

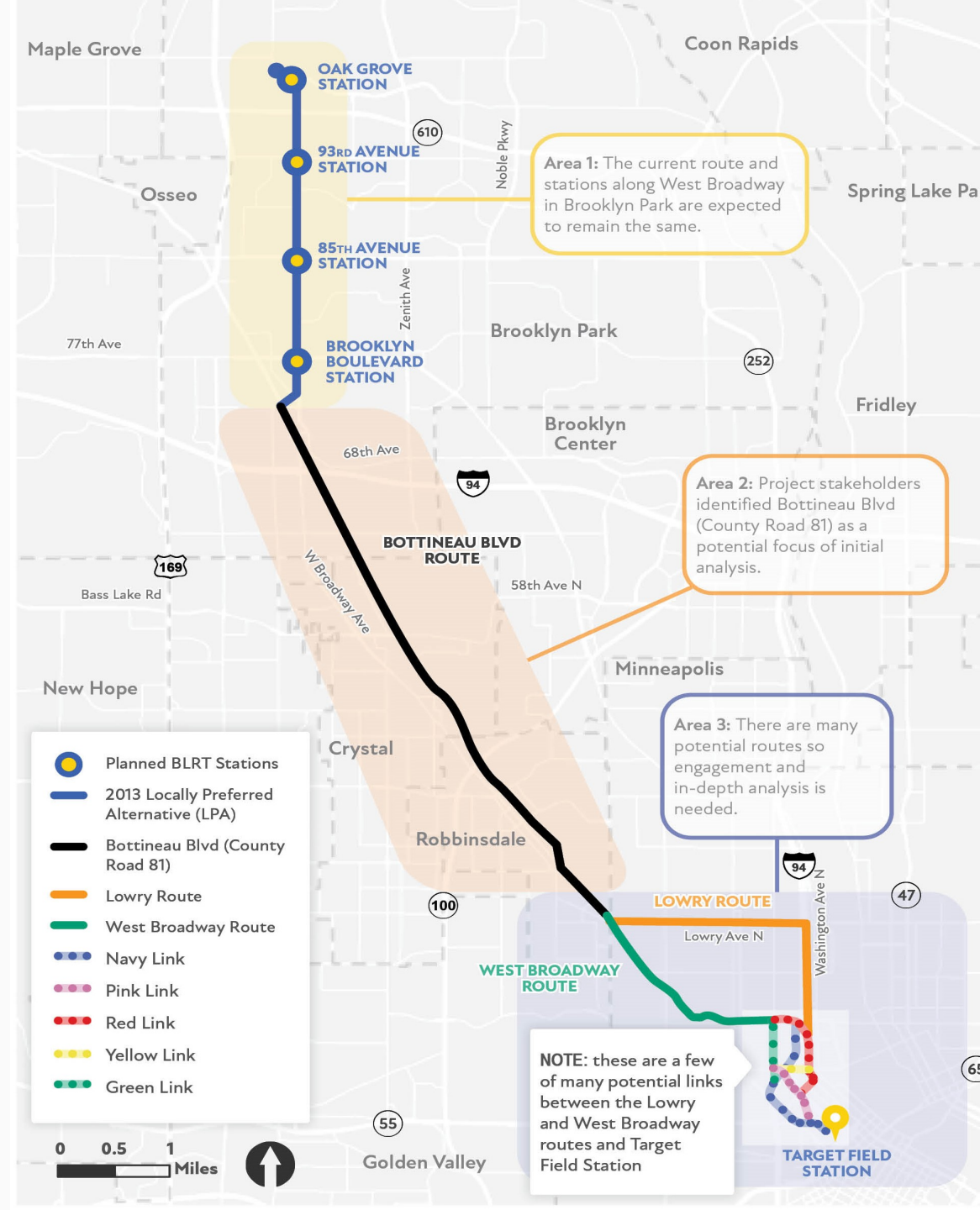
Needed Feedback

Multiple Methods to Share Feedback

- Leave comments on the interactive map
- Take a survey
- Provide general comments online or by emailing sophia.ginis@metrotransit.org
- We will come to you: invite us to an event or gathering



Discussion



Stay Connected!

- Project website: BlueLineExt.org
 - Project news, maps, surveys, what we're hearing
 - Committee meeting materials: agenda, handouts, presentations, meeting minutes
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