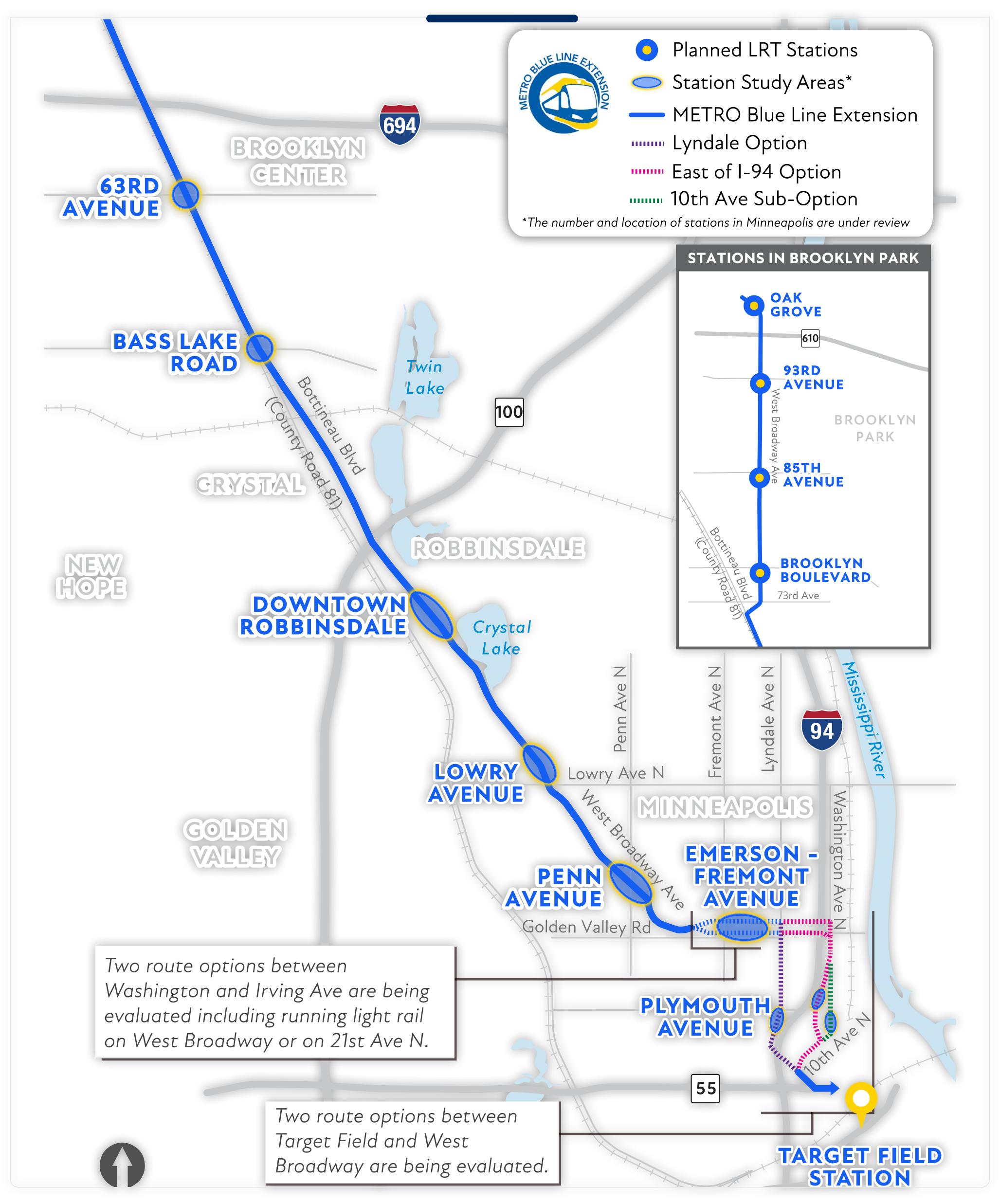
# BLUE LINE EXTENSION ROUTE

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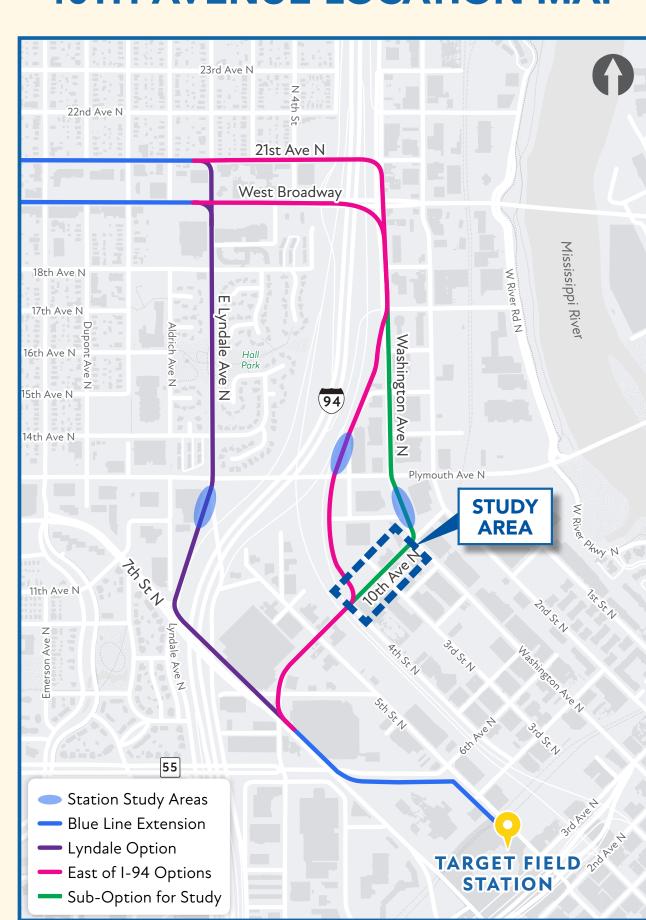


# 10TH AVE SUB-OPTION

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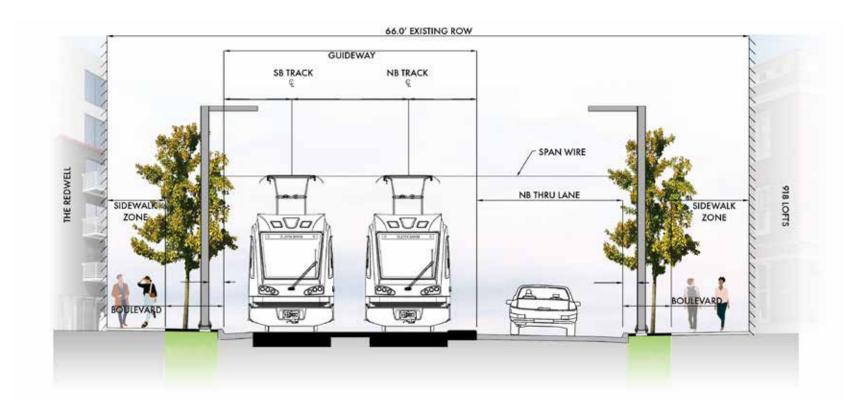
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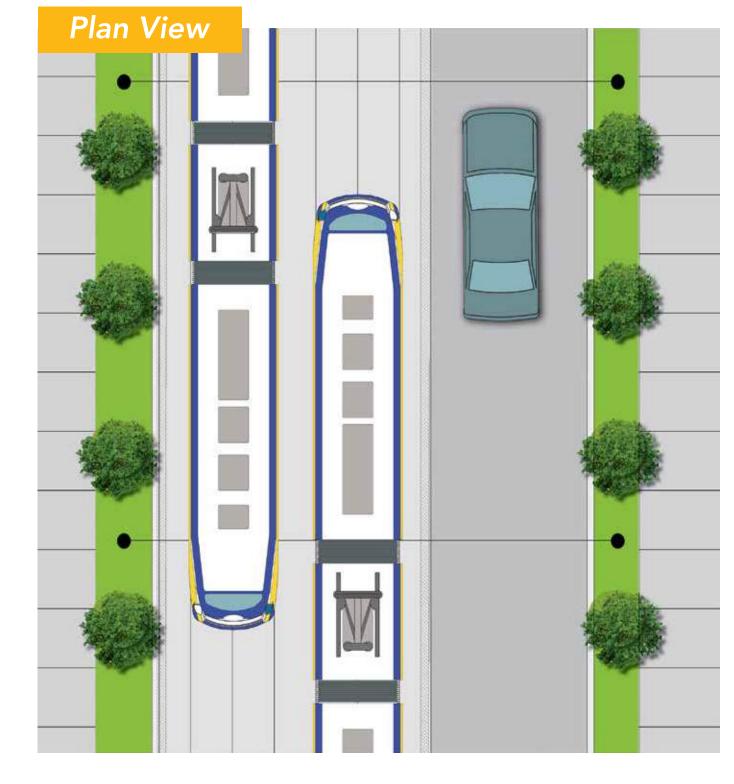


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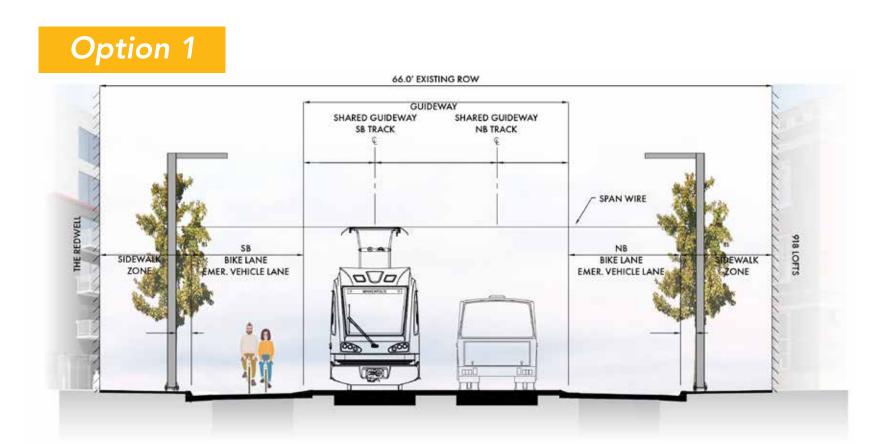
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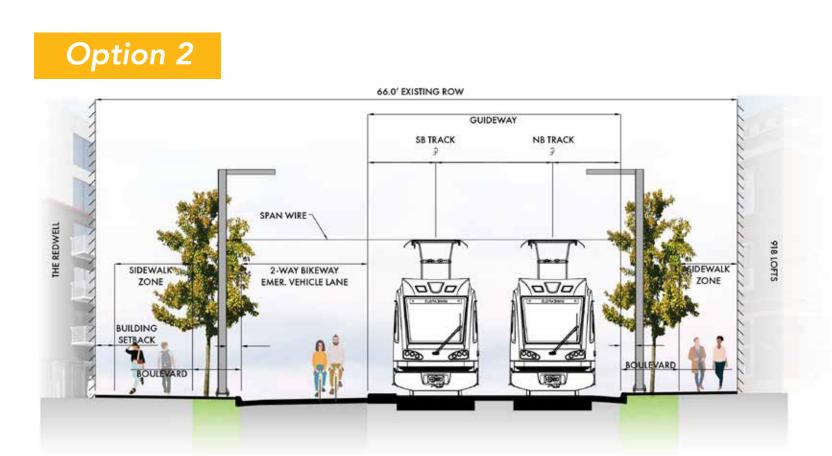


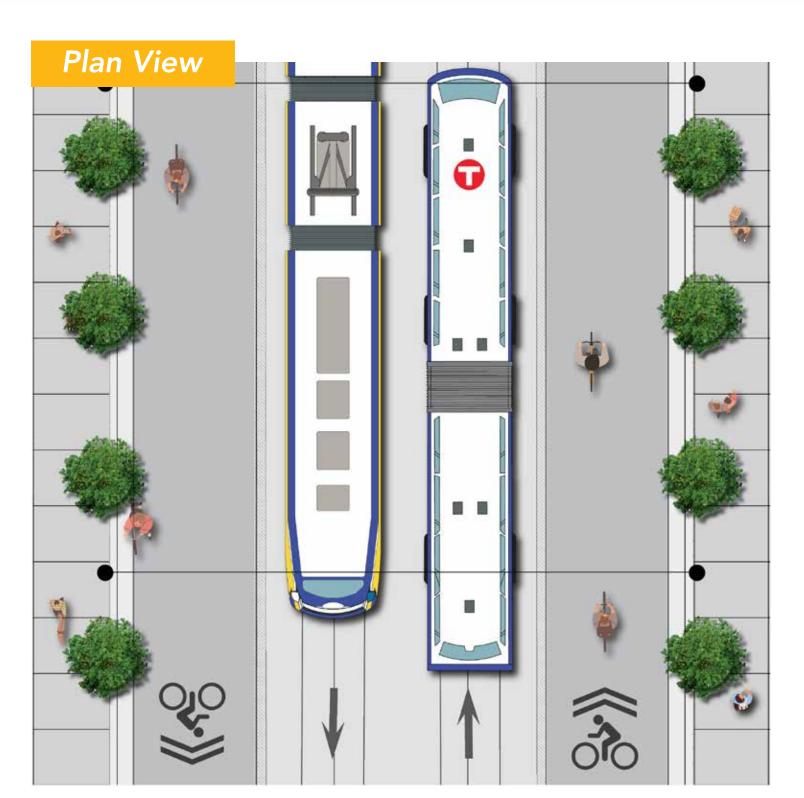


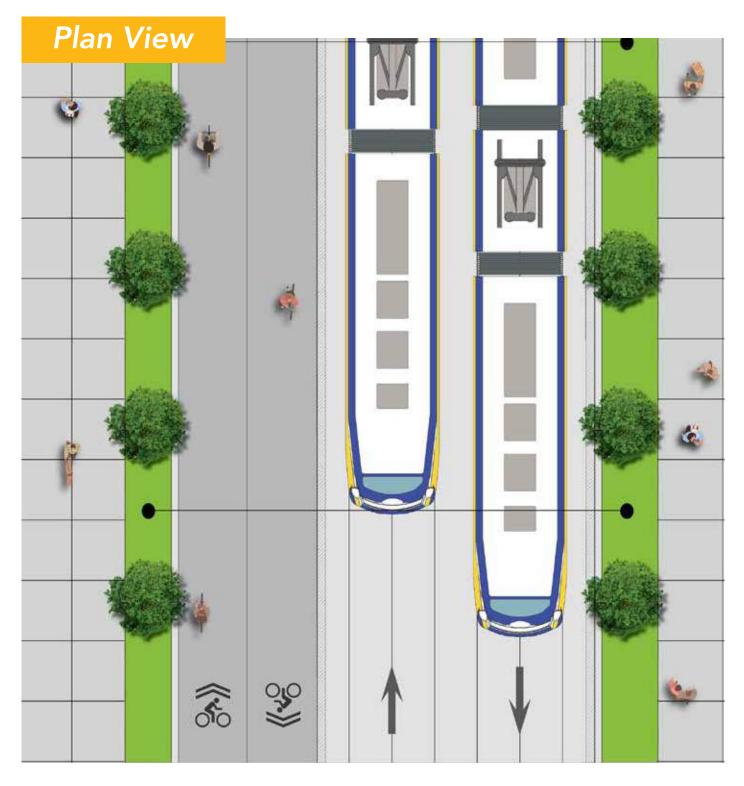
One-way north bound traffic only

### TRANSIT MALL









Two-way bike lanes added, no vehicular traffic, buses and emergency vehicles use the LRT guideway

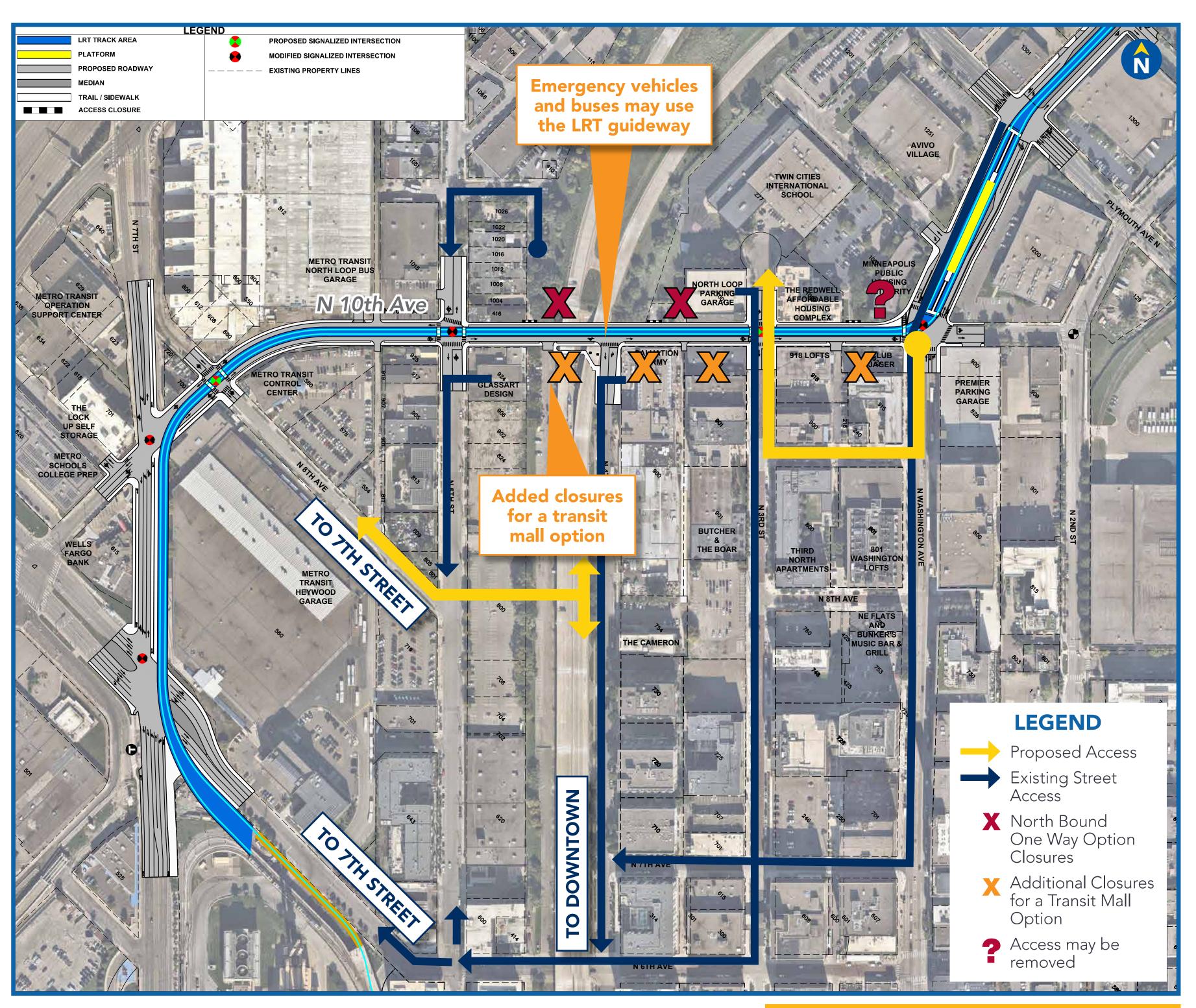


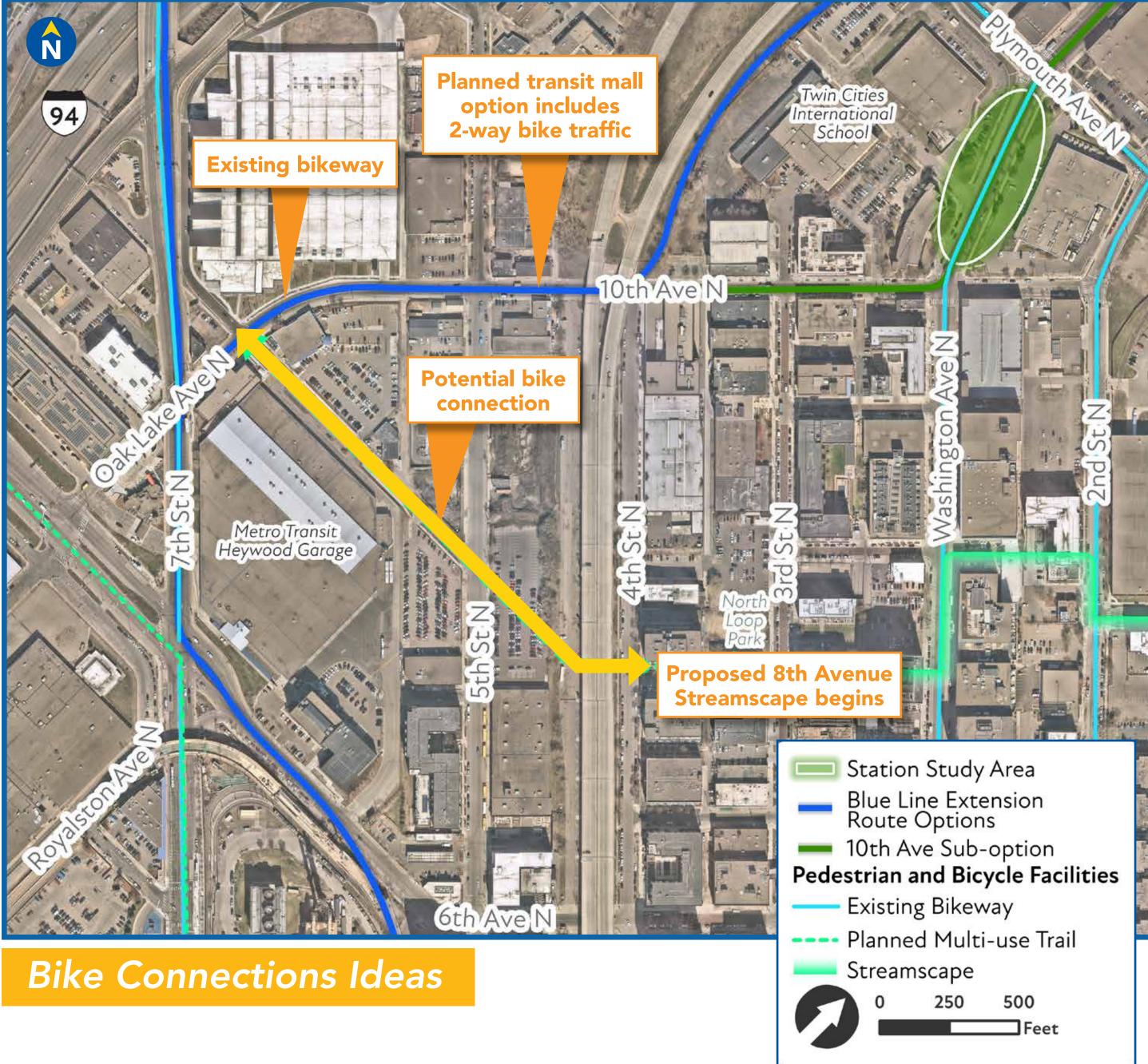
# 10TH AVE CONNECTIONS

The new sub-option for the 10th Avenue would include closures of roads and changes to bike and vehicular access for the area.

Below are two maps that show potential options for connectivity for bikes and vehicles with ideas for new routes.

Vehicle Connections Ideas





SHOW US
THE ROUTE

## **SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!**

Show us the route you would take and star your favorite destinations in this area.







# PLYMOUTH AVENUE STATION ON WASHINGTON AVENUE

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## \*At a glance, this station area:

Provides access to over 3,900 RESIDENTS., Of these residents:

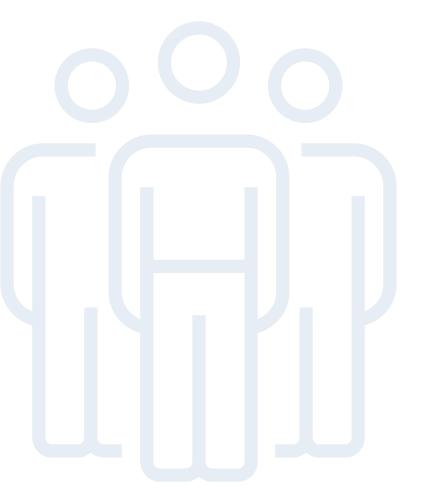






30% are people of color

10% live in low income households,





Provides access to over 5,400 JOBS<sub>3</sub>

\$\to\$ 5,384 workers commute in

2,288 workers commute out



Provides access to 405 **AFFORDABLE HOUSING** units

(31% extremely affordable),

Provides access to the Mississippi River, PARKS **AND TRAILS** 

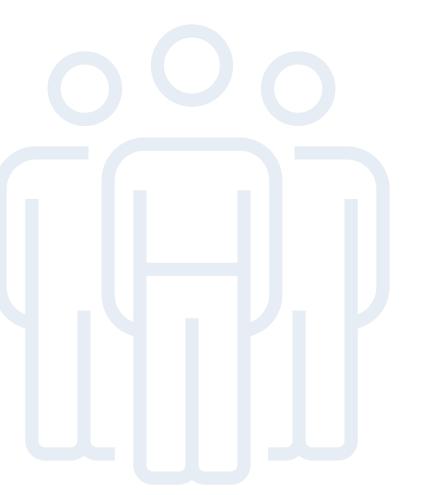


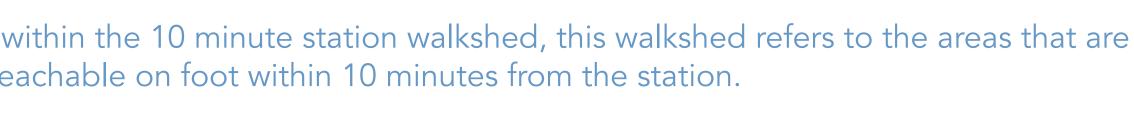
Provides access to **NEW DEVELOPMENTS**<sub>5</sub> (V3 Center, new restaurants in the North Loop neighborhood, and North Loop Park)

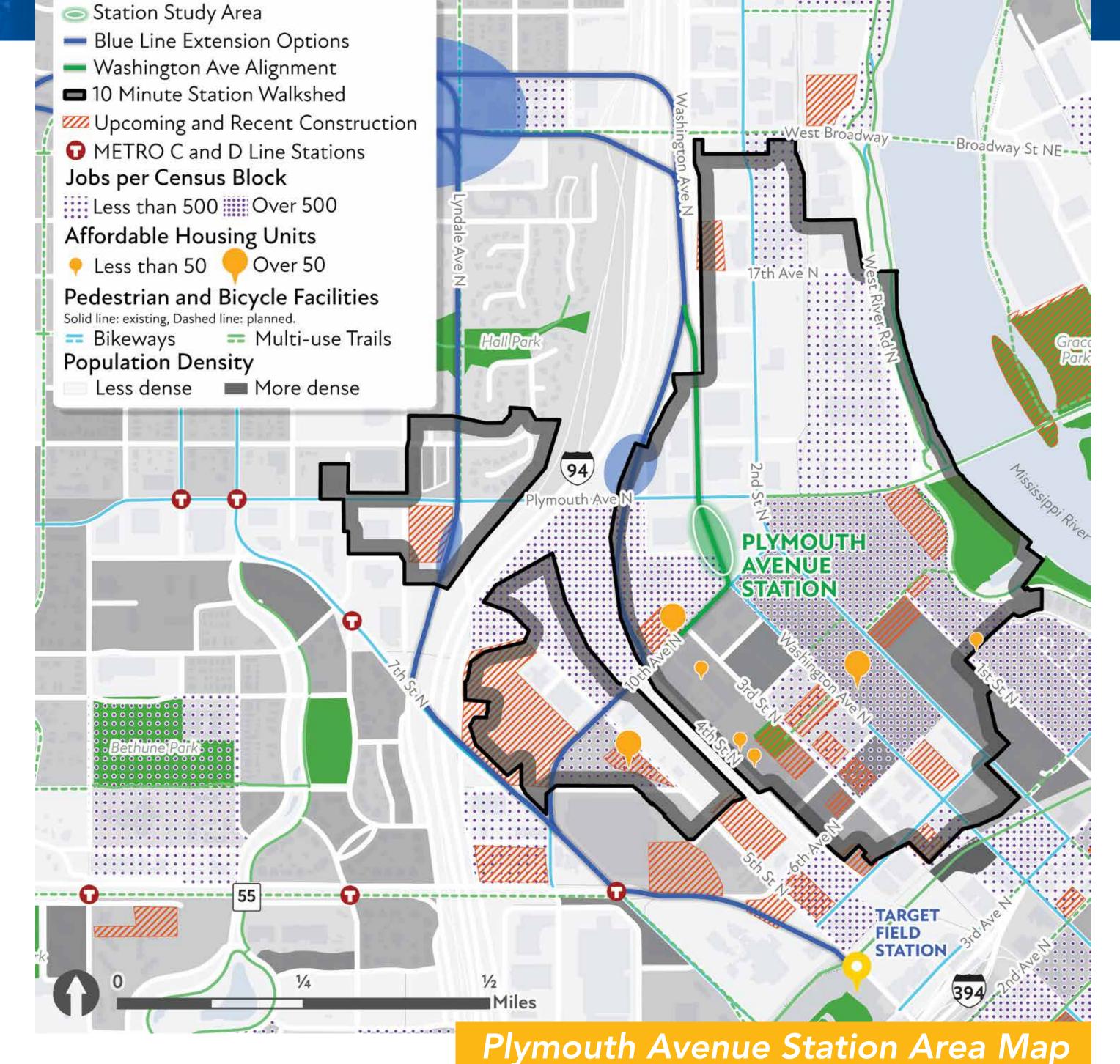


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\*within the 10 minute station walkshed, this walkshed refers to the areas that are reachable on foot within 10 minutes from the station.











<sup>2.</sup> Low income is defined as two times the federal poverty level.







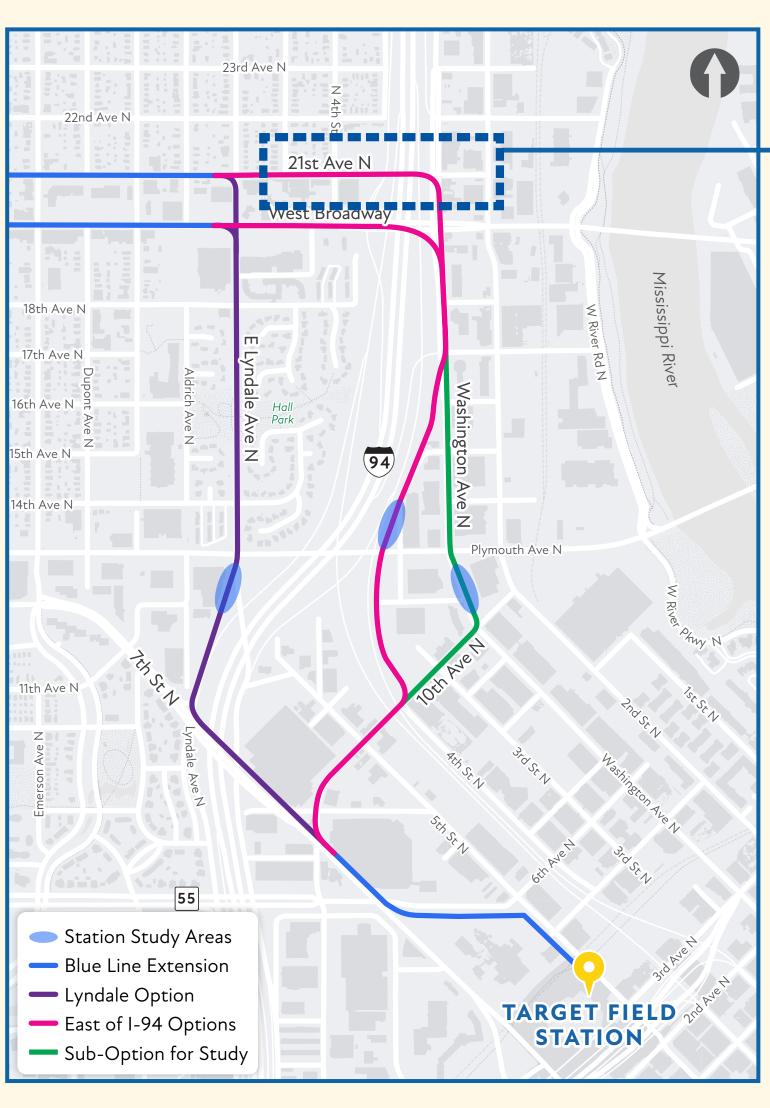
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## CROSSING OPTIONS OF I-94 FROM WASHINGTON AVE TO 21ST AVE

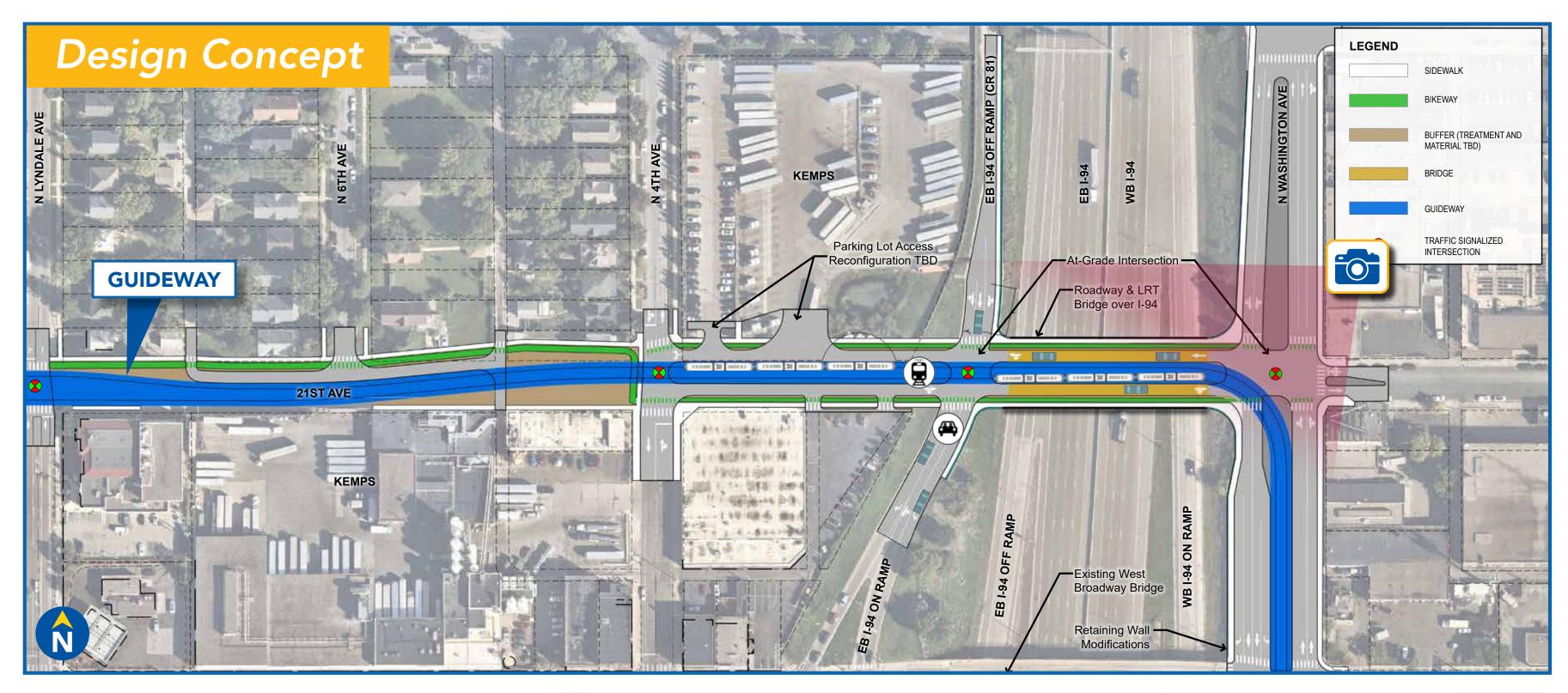
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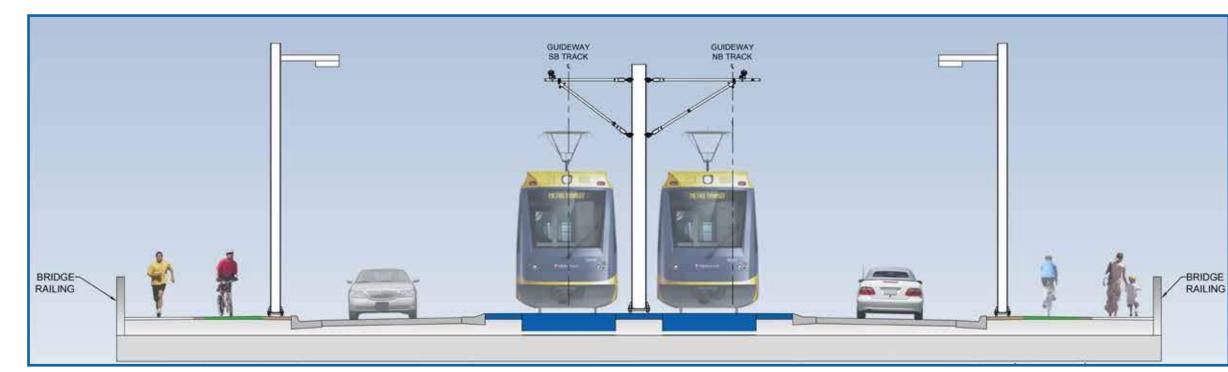
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WEST BROADWAY AVE



**Bridge Section** 

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**NOTE: LANE CONFIGURATION UNDER STUDY** 

**INCLUDES BIKE AND** 

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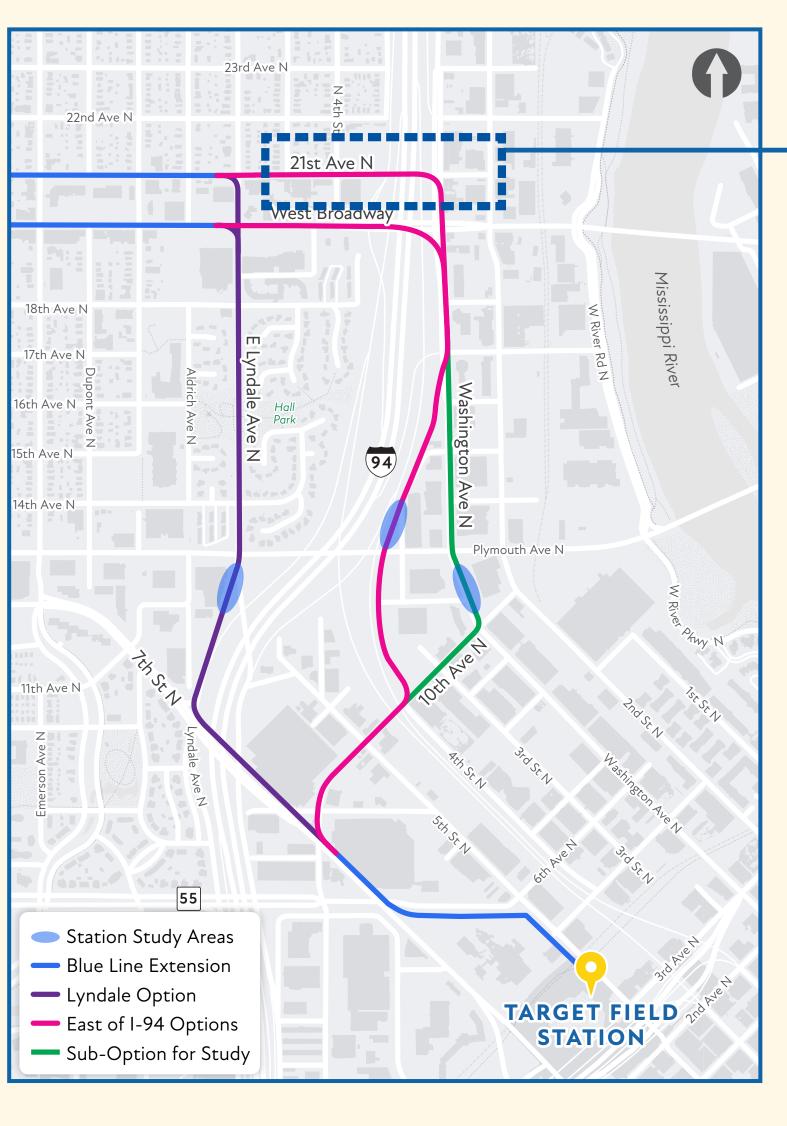
Washington looking south

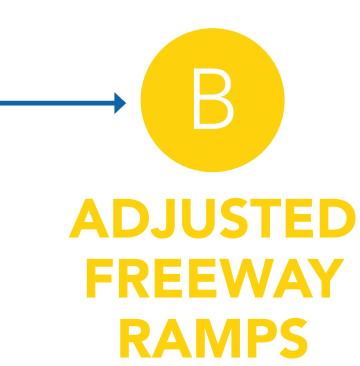
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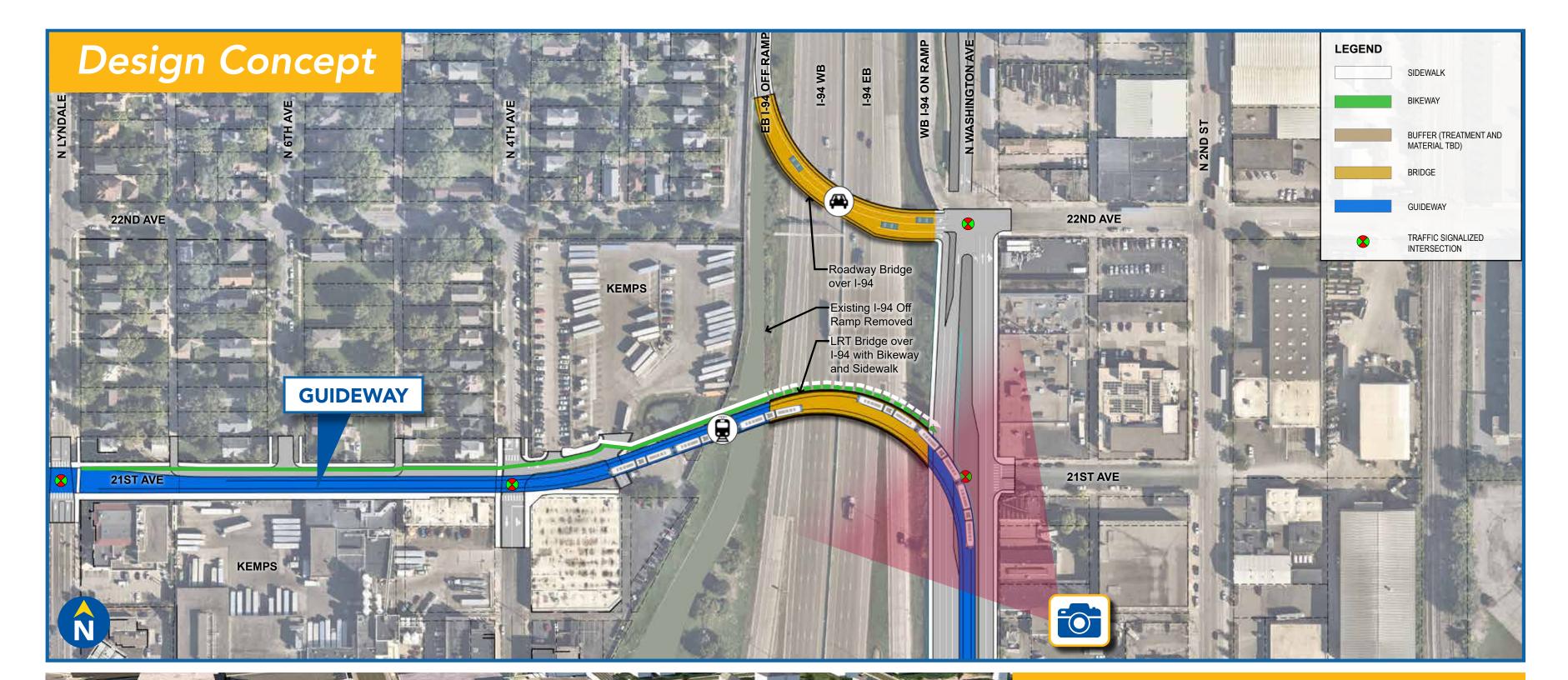
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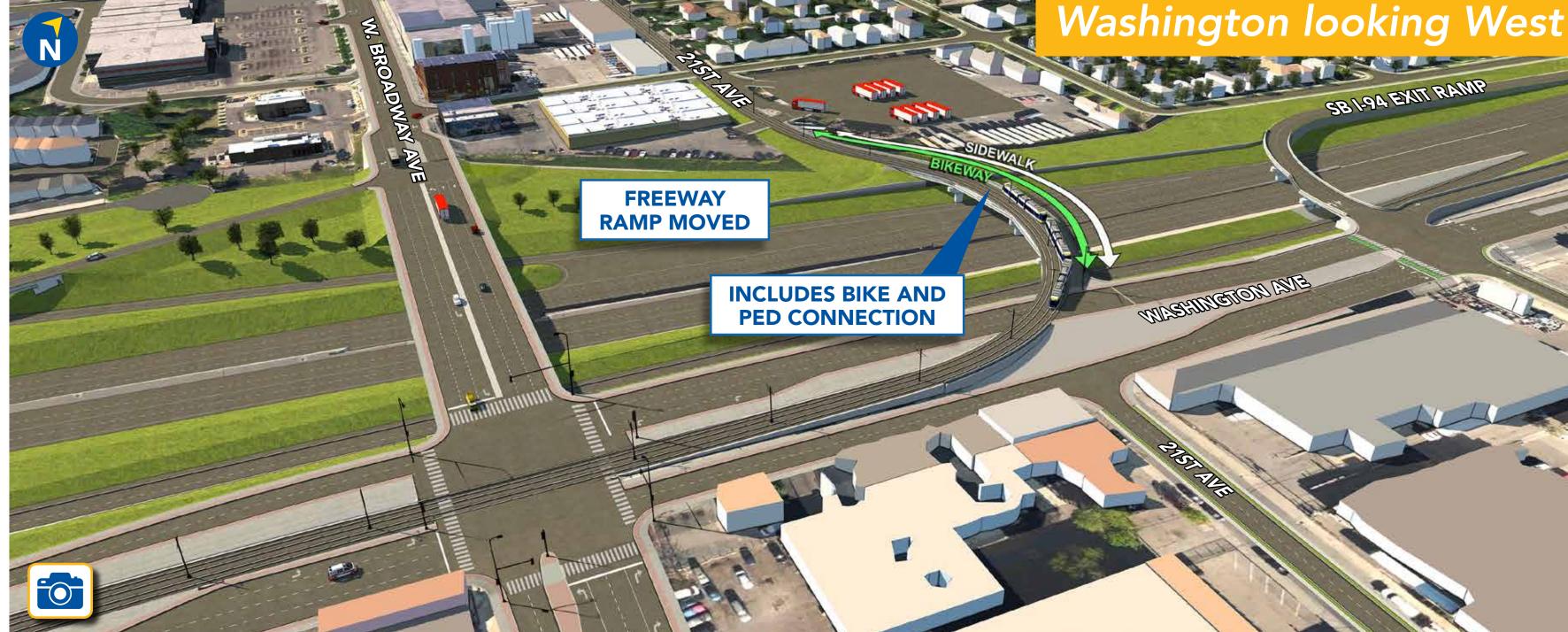
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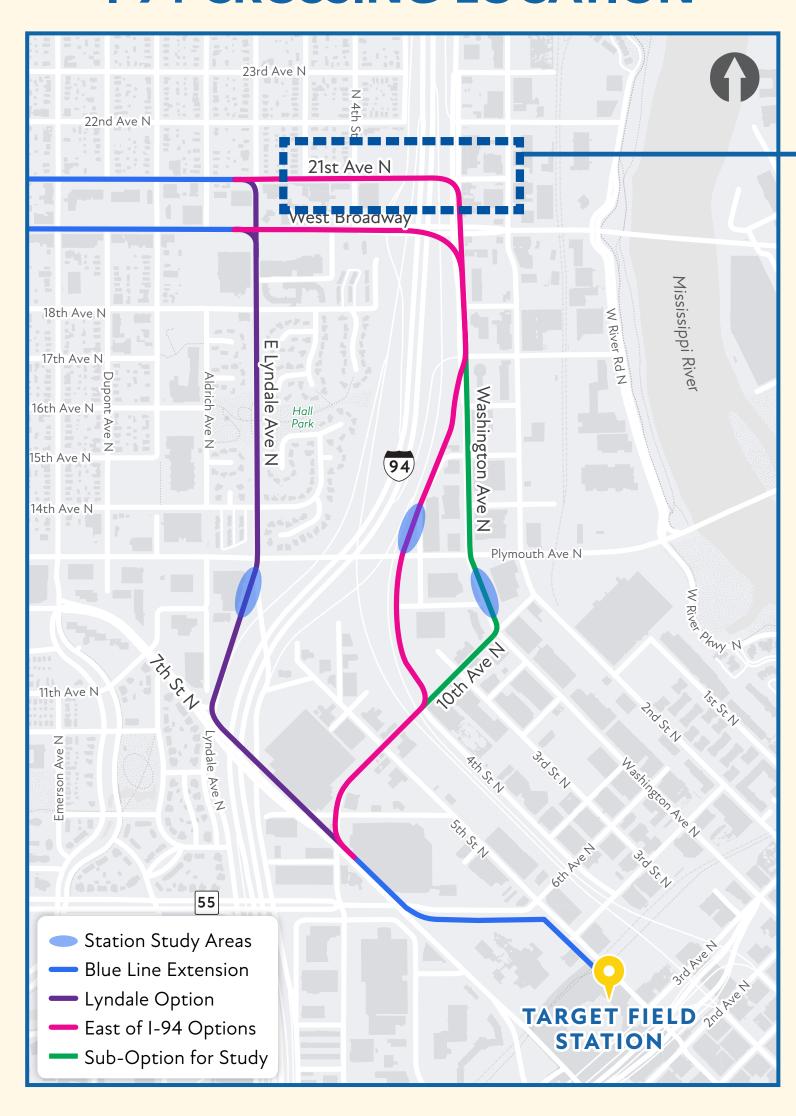


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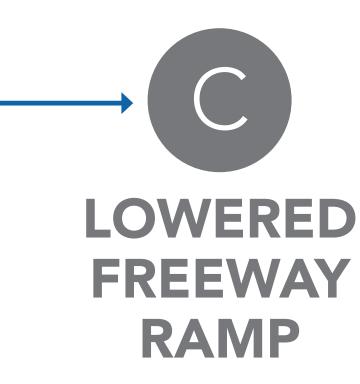
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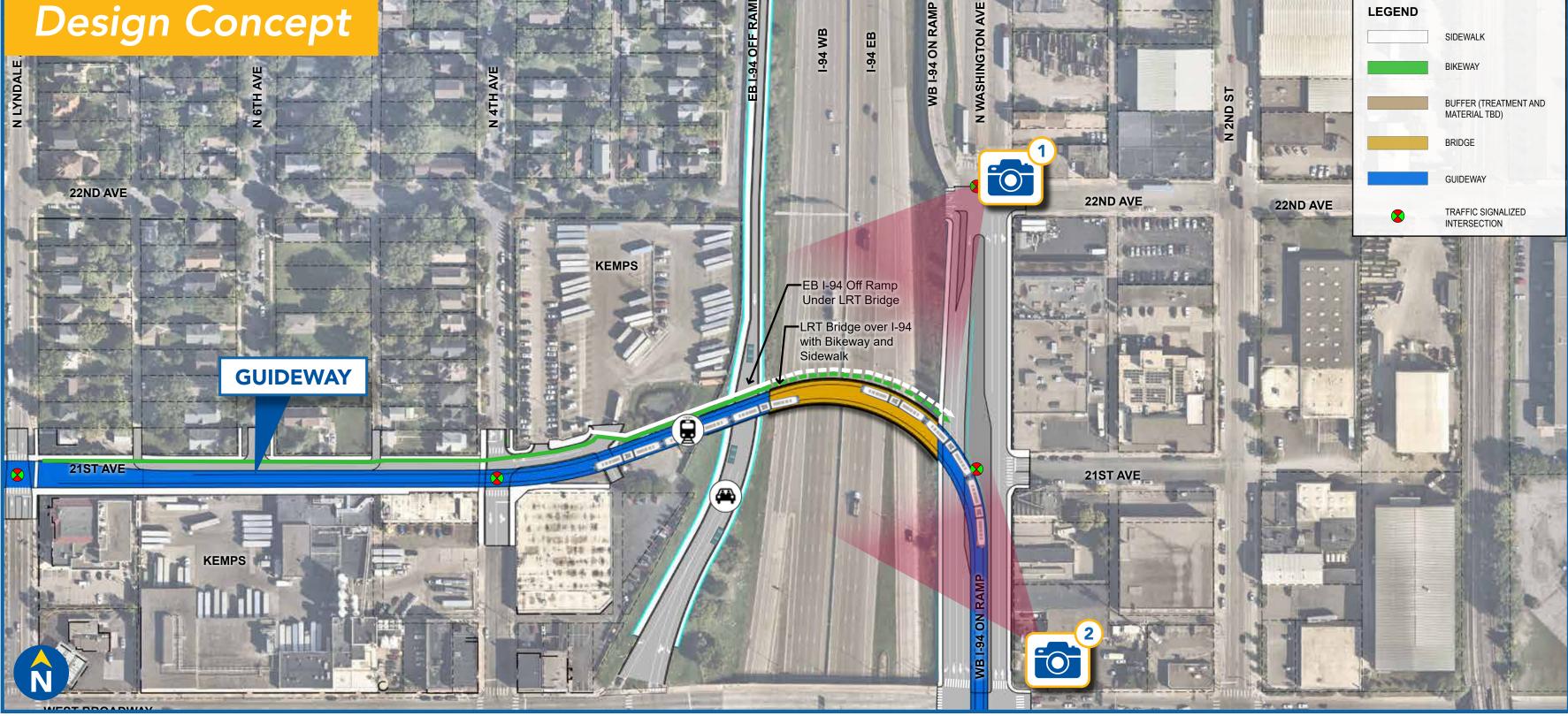
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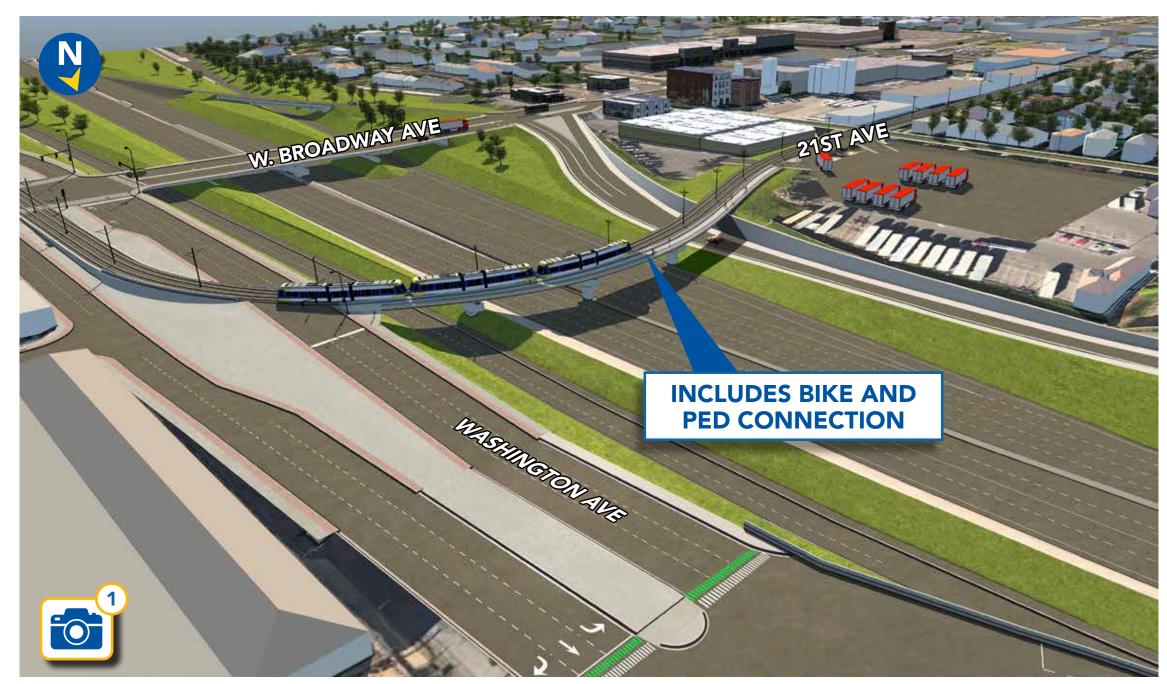


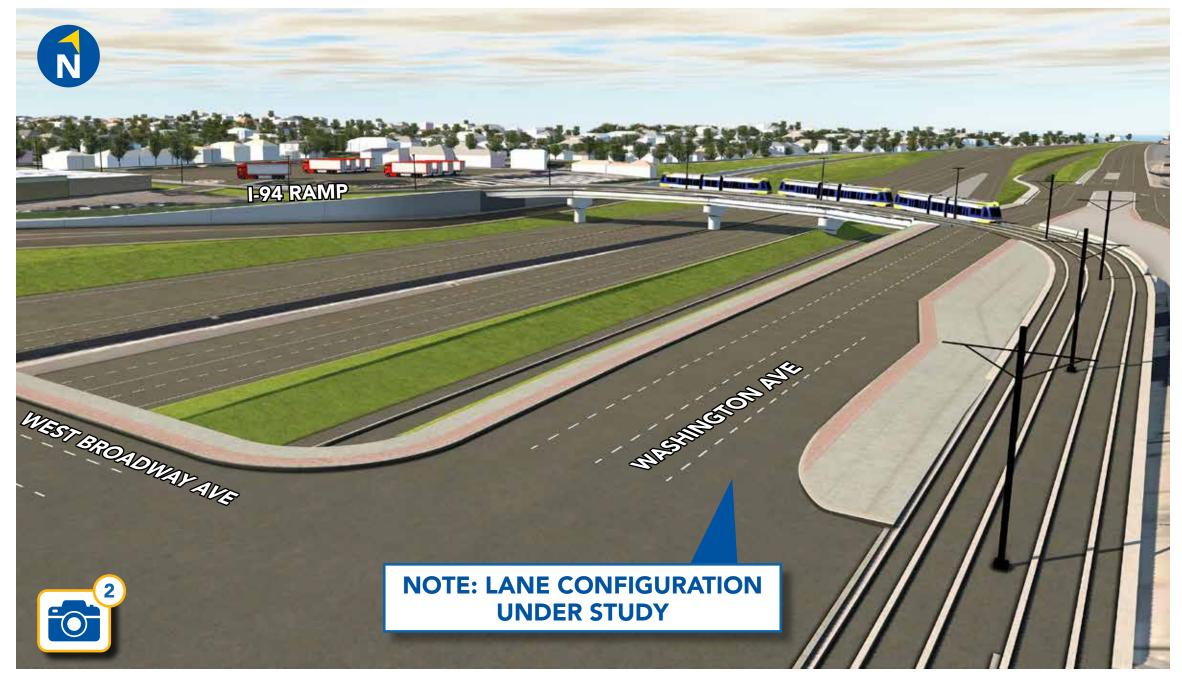
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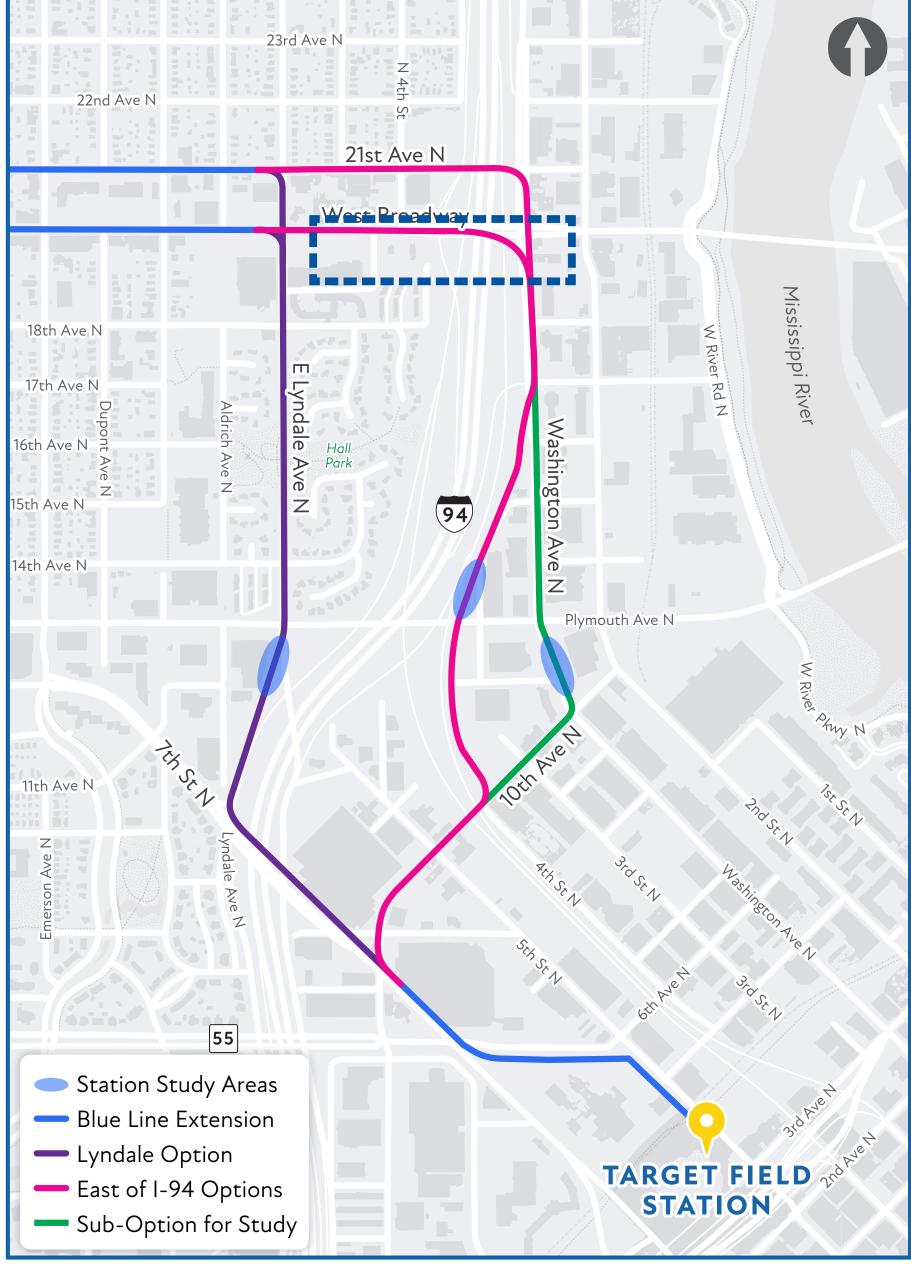
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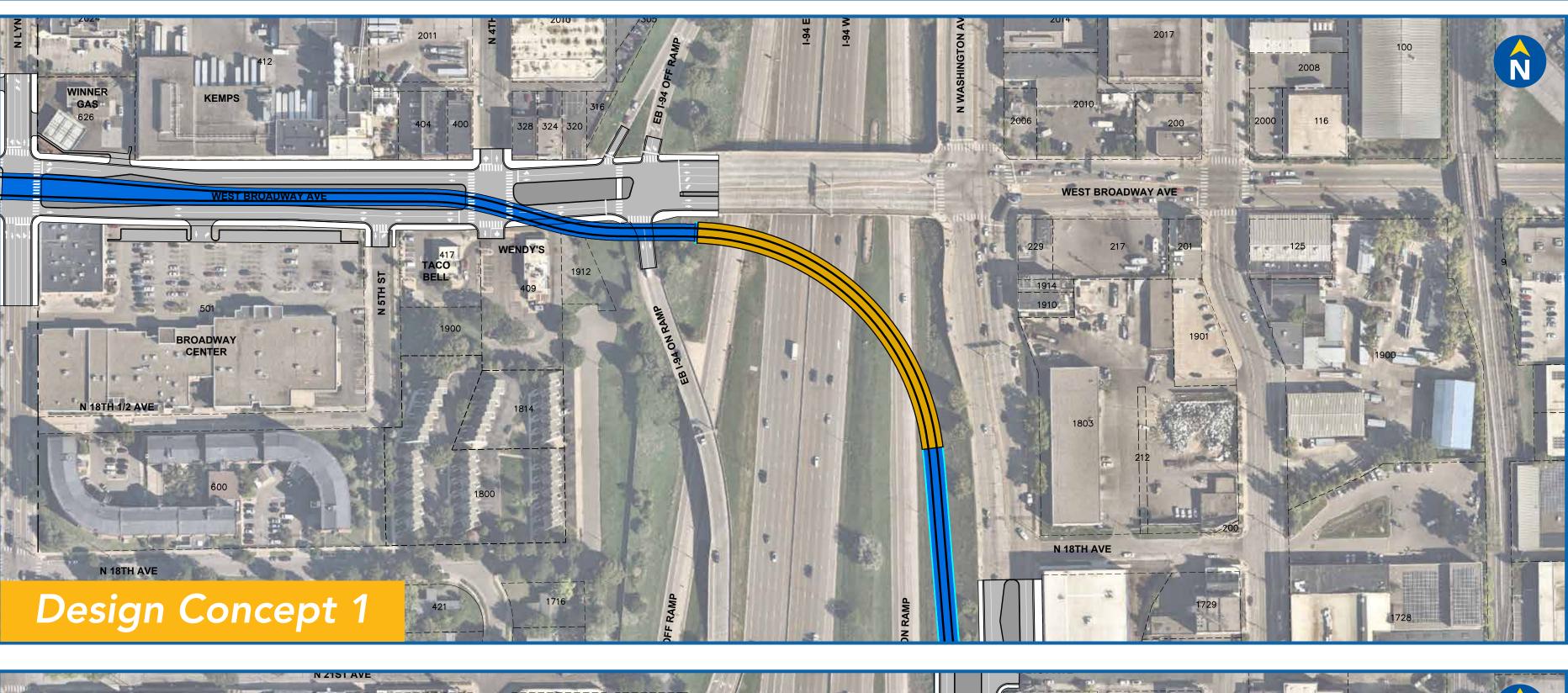
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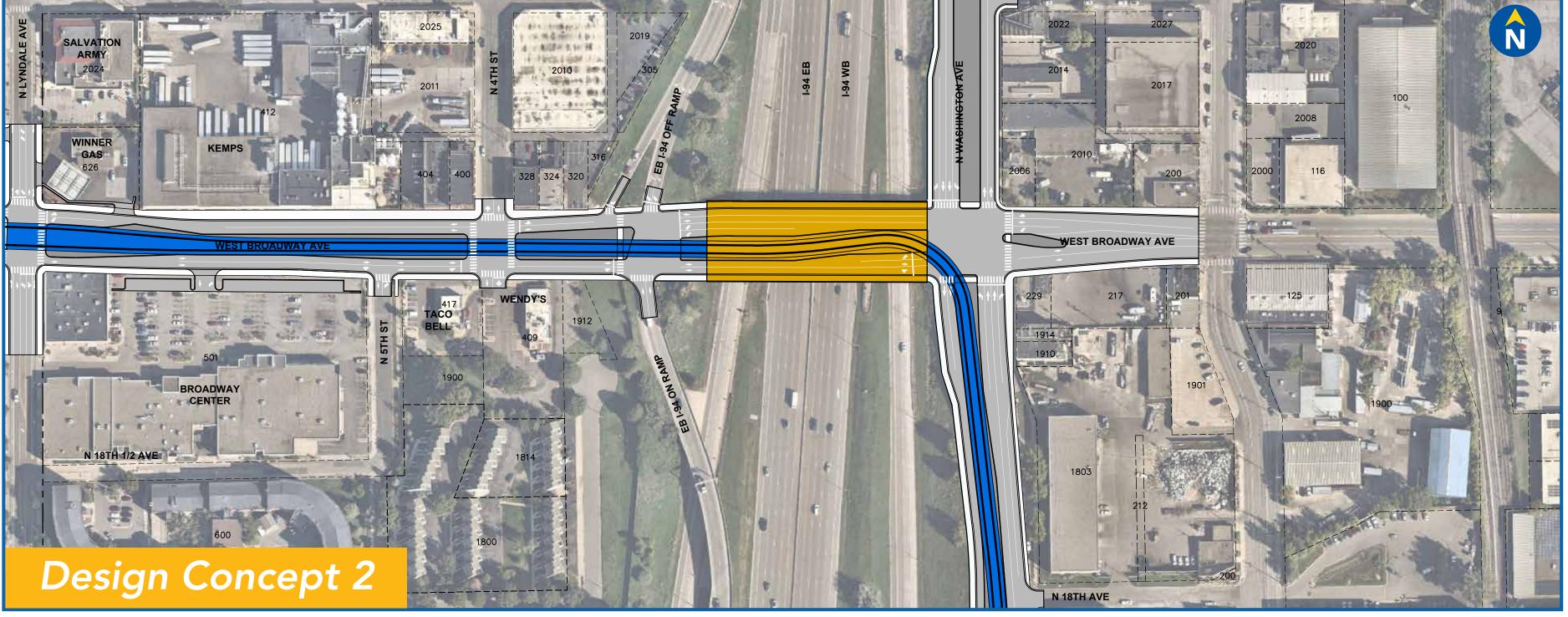
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## The WEST BROADWAY and 21ST AVENUE ROUTE OPTION:

#### 1. PROPERTY IMPACTS

The 21st Avenue alignment has significantly fewer commercial property impacts and less impact to parking on West Broadway.

#### 2. STATIONS

There are two stations now proposed to serve this portion of the corridor, versus the one originally proposed which is a benefit to transit users and the area.

#### 3. JAMES AVENUE STATION

The 21st Avenue station near James Avenue has fewer impacts to existing buildings than the same station location along West Broadway.

### **4. BUSINESS CONNECTIVITY**

Business connectivity will be improved through multi-modal access with either alignment.

#### 5. WEST BROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

If the 21st option is chosen, there would also be an opportunity to reconstruct West Broadway to provide infrastructure and other improvements as part of the project.



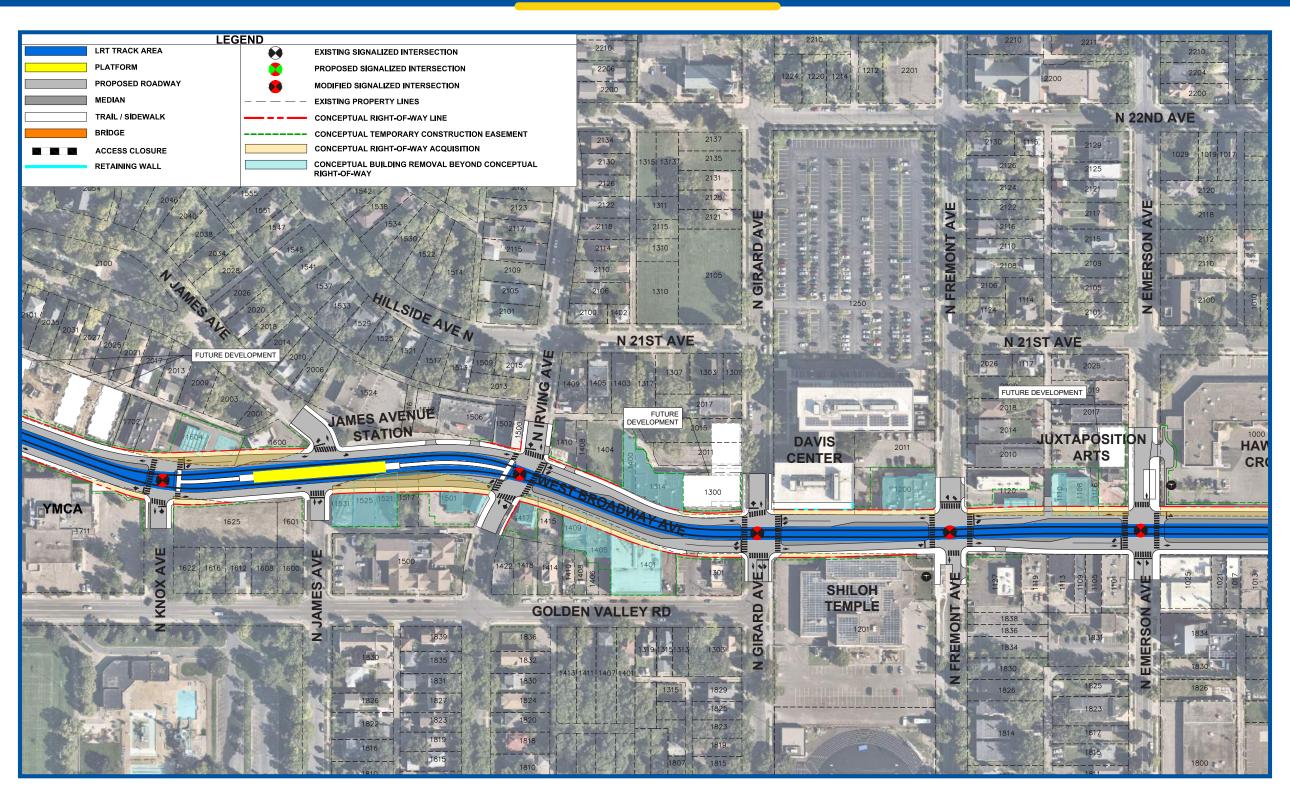
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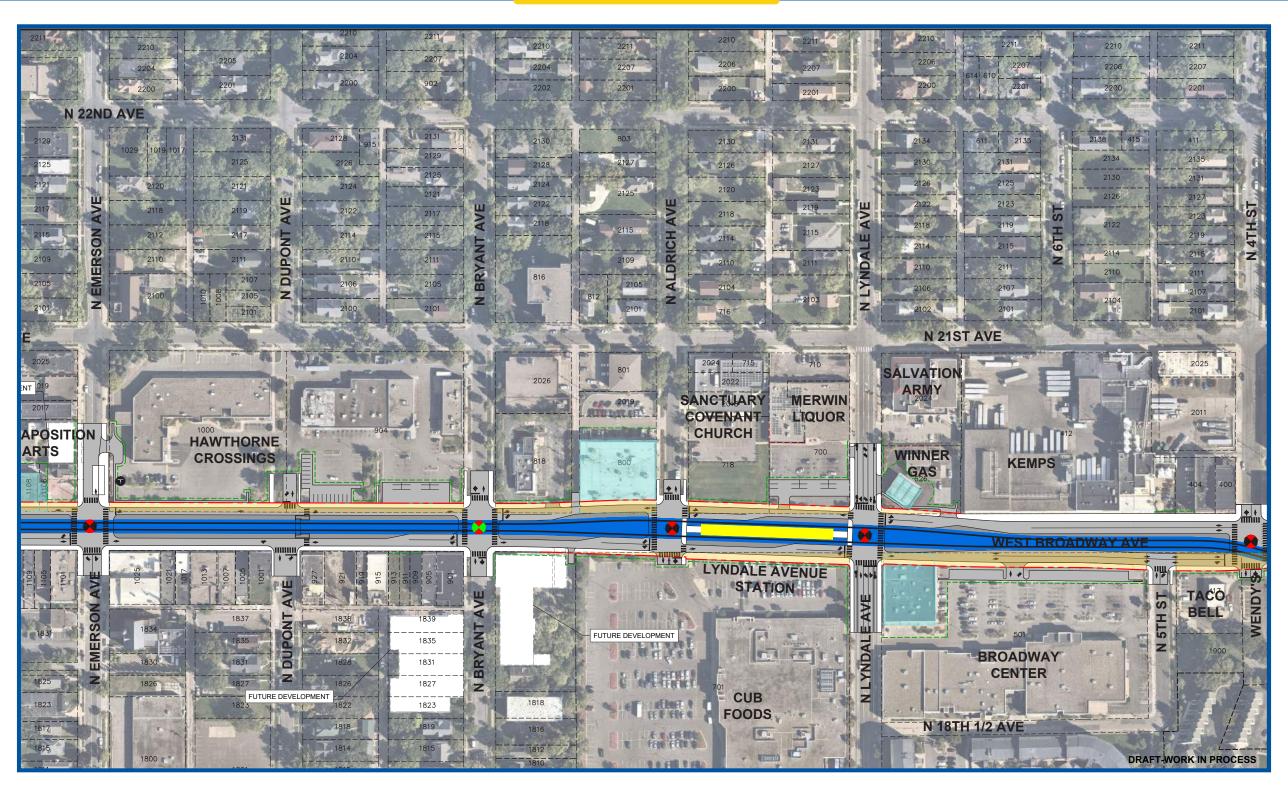






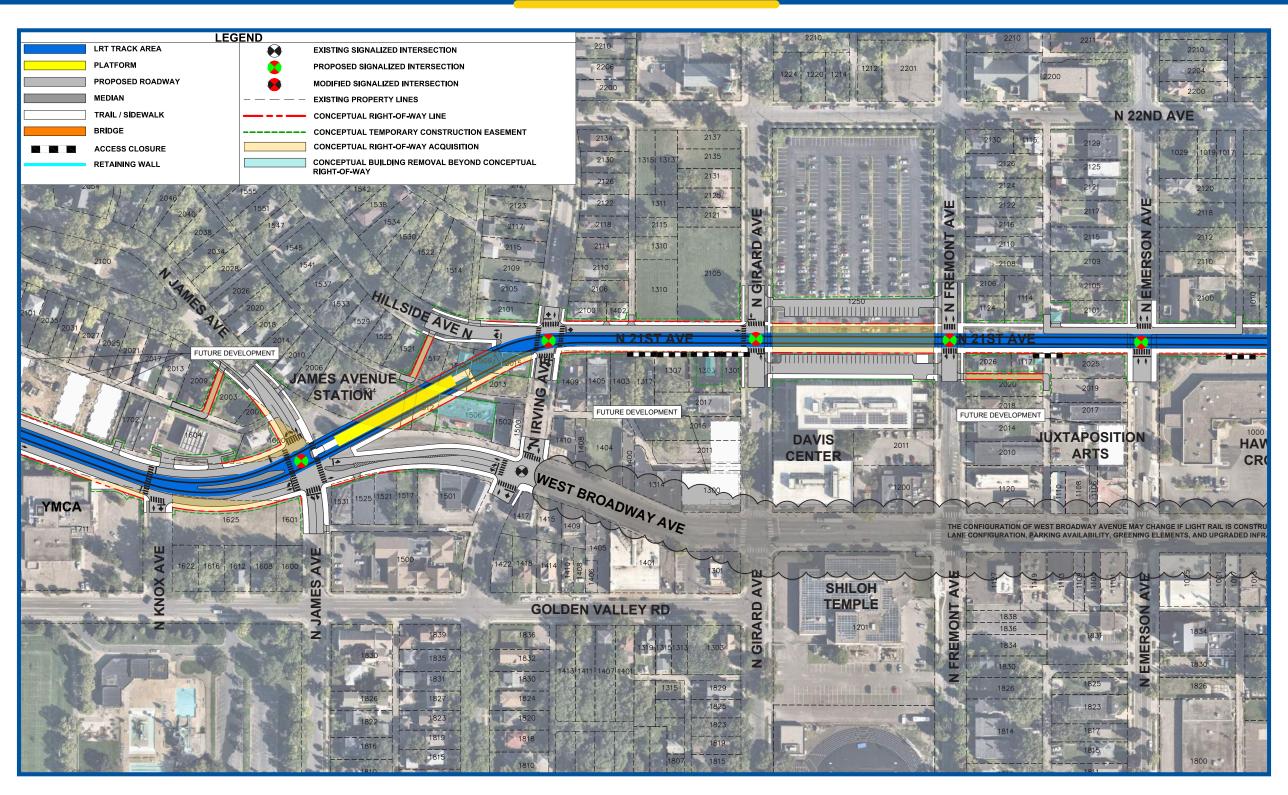


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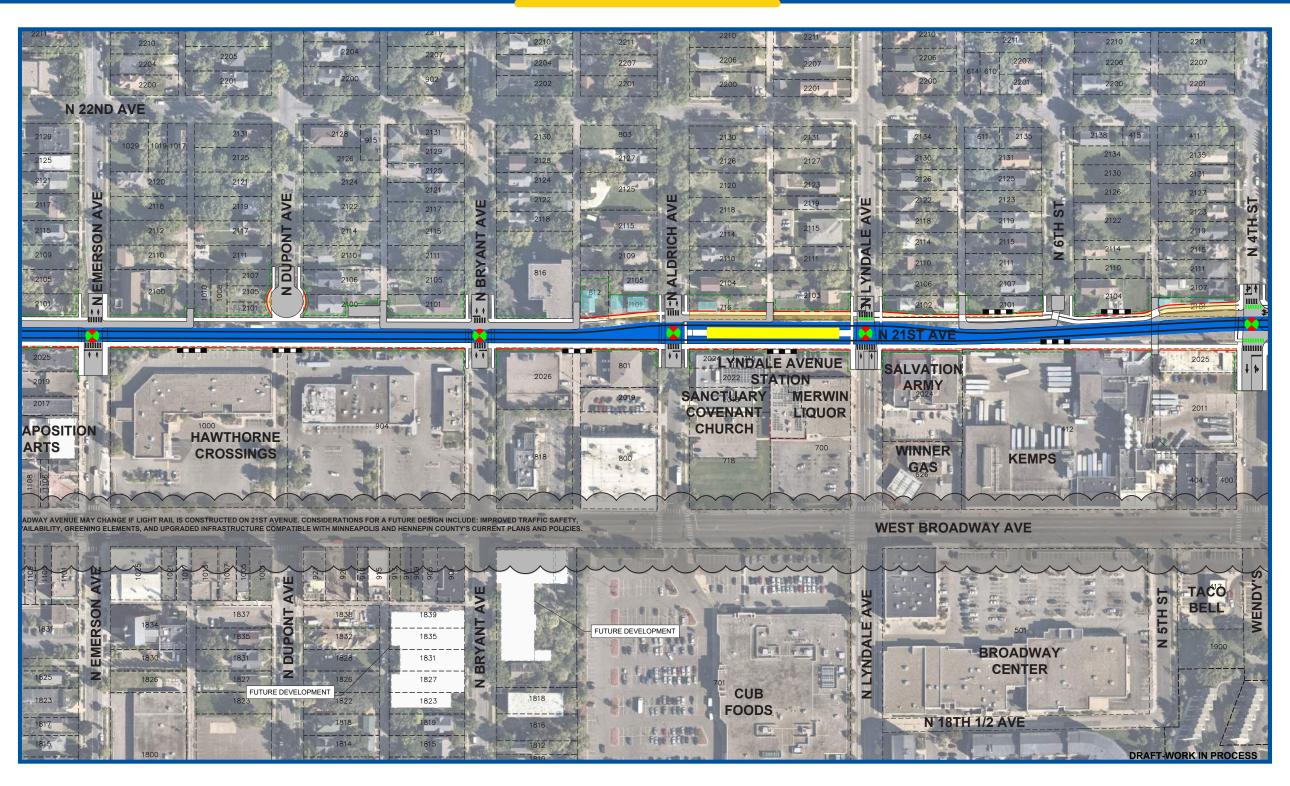
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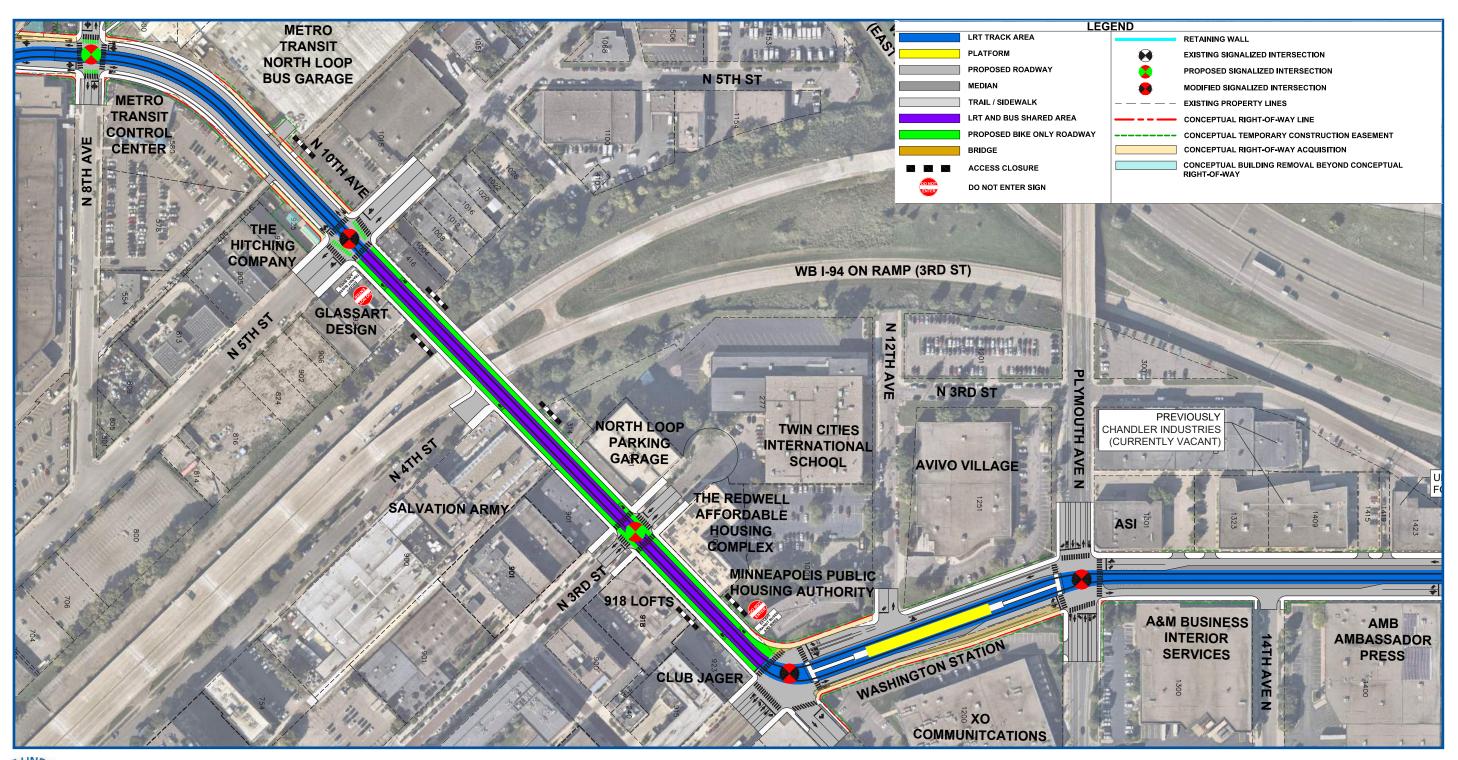


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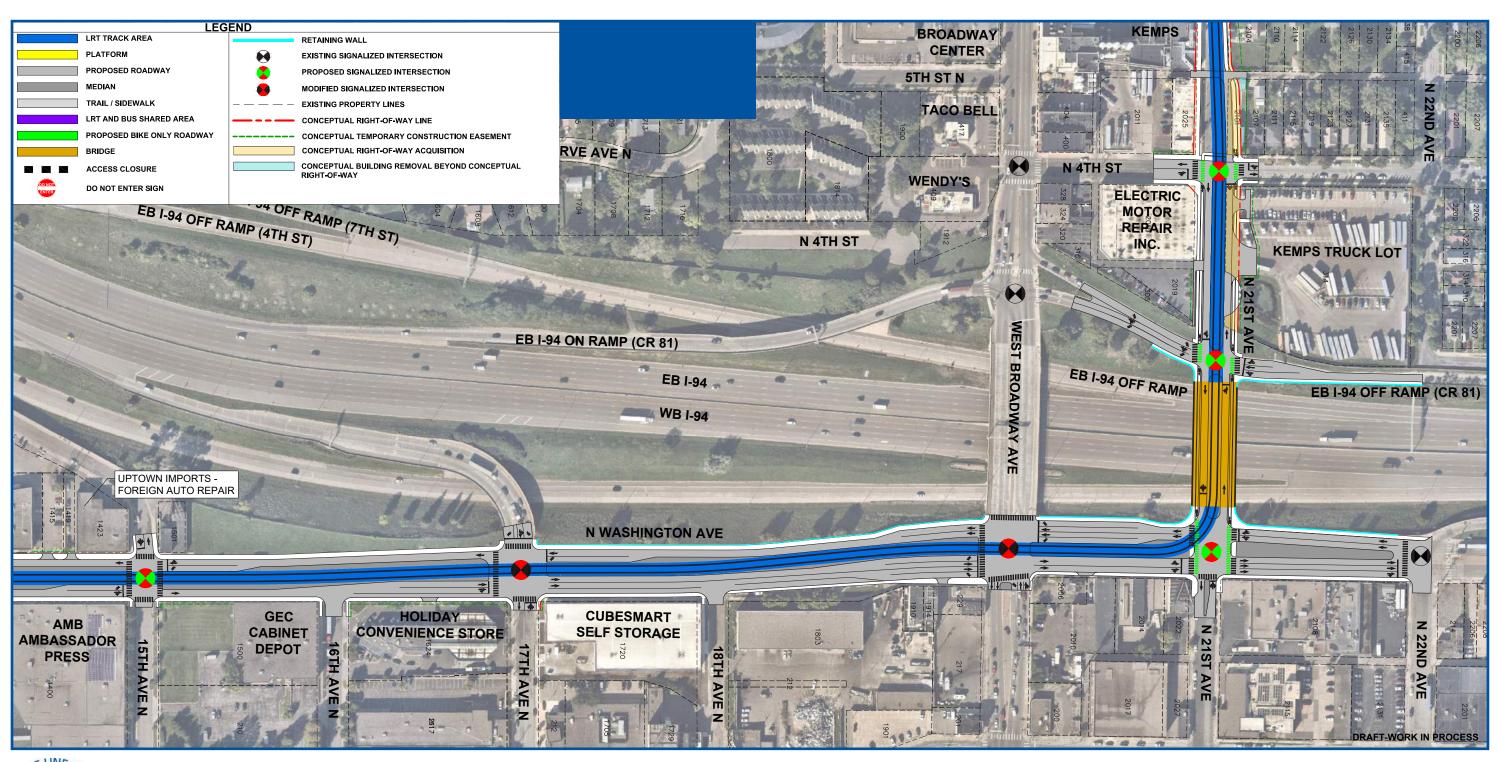


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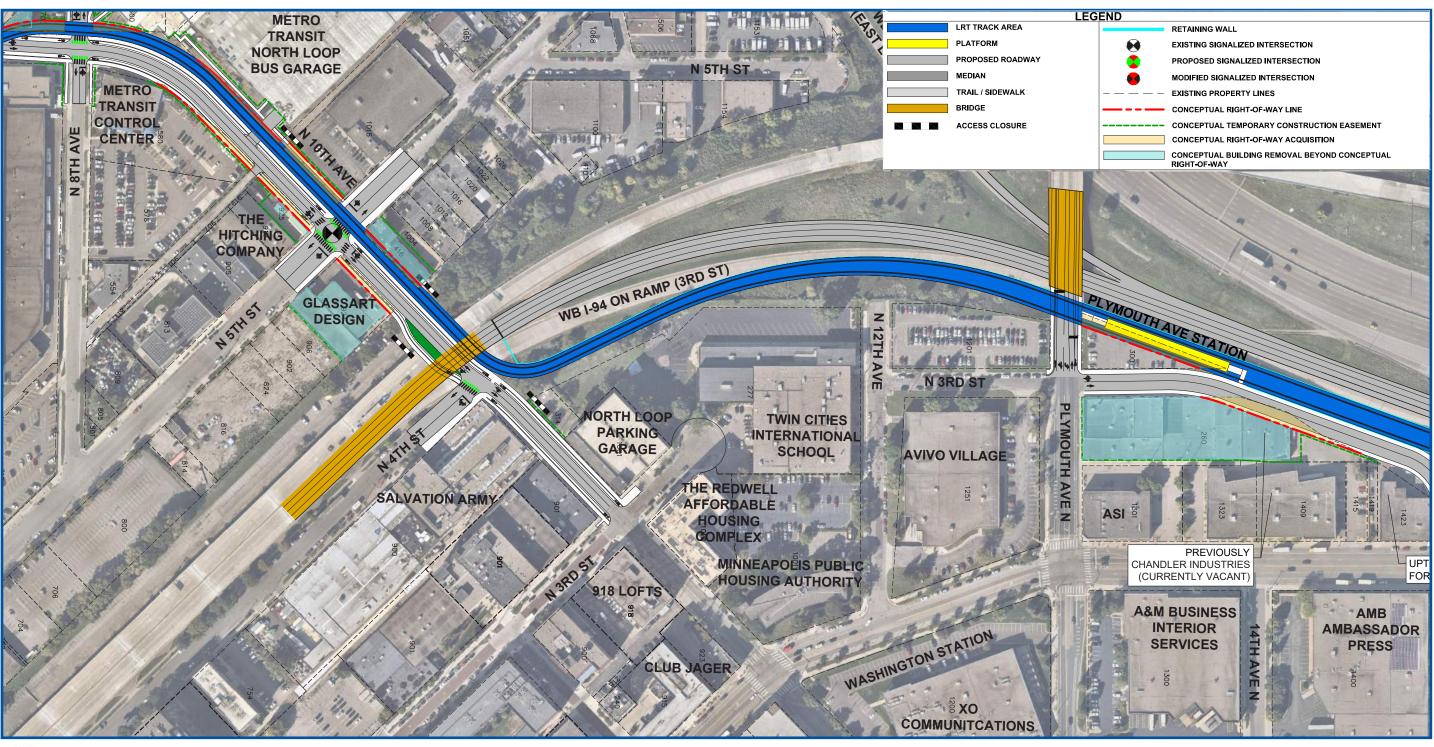


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## ORIGINAL EAST OF I-94 OPTION - CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS









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