



# TRANSPORTATION POLICY PLAN



2040

*Transportation Policy Plan Summary*

## Investing in the future

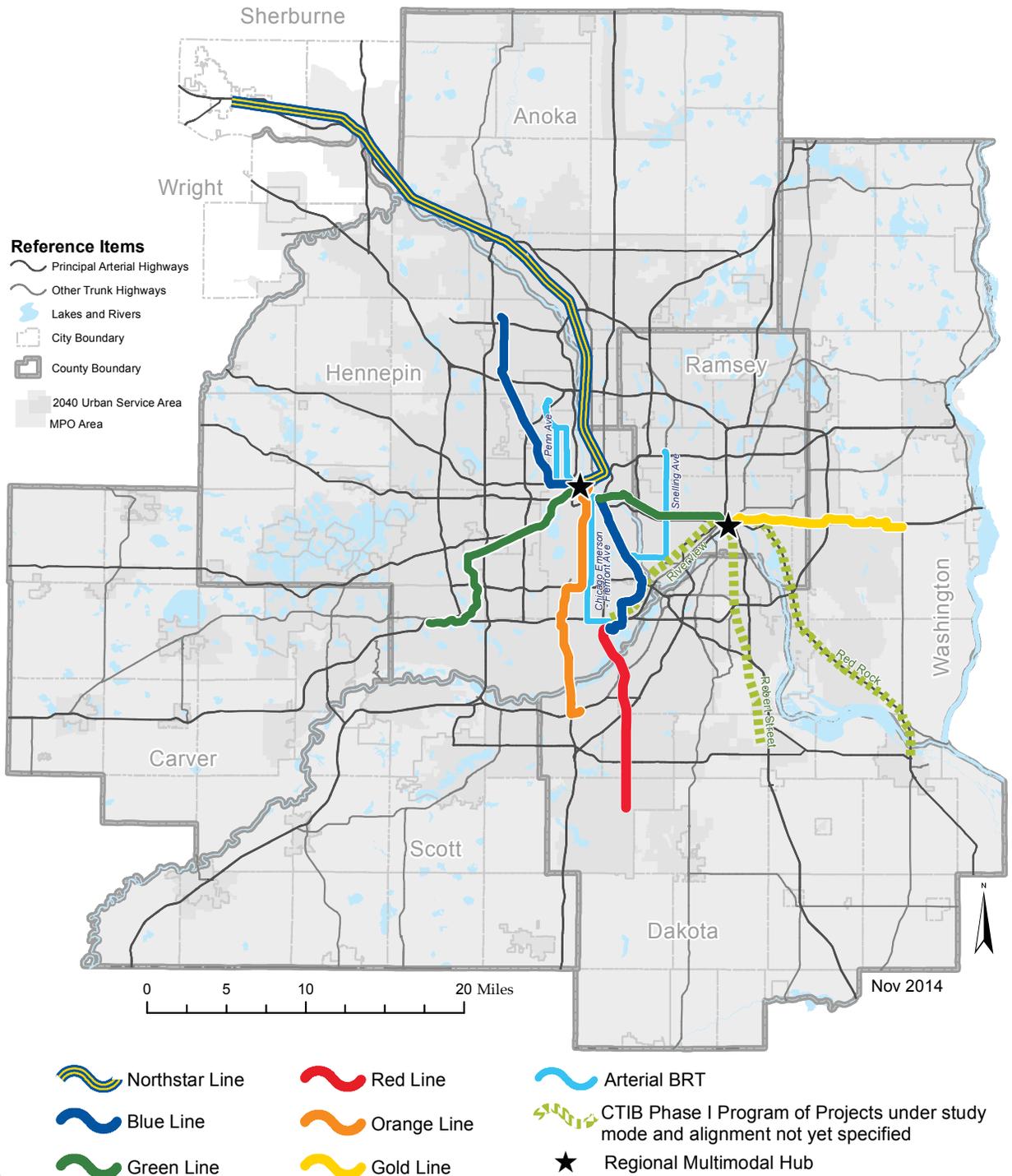
As we look ahead, we will need to invest sufficiently in our transportation system to ensure our region's livability and prosperity. The Transportation Policy Plan describes two long-term investment scenarios that clarify the funding opportunities we face for our future transportation system. The Current Revenue Scenario describes what we can do with the revenue we currently anticipate through the year 2040, and the Increased Revenue Scenario details further critical investments that can be made if additional resources are made available.

### Current Revenue Scenario

- \$42 billion for local transportation projects
- \$11 billion to improve mobility on state highways while maintaining, managing, and repairing existing highways
- \$31 billion for supporting existing transit routes and completing planned transit routes including Blue Line Extension (LRT) and Green Line Extension (LRT) as well as building out the Orange Line (BRT), Gold Line (BRT), and three additional Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lines
- Includes long-range funding for the Red Rock, Riverview, and Robert Street transit corridors, now in preliminary planning stages, but identified as priority corridors by the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB)



# Current revenue scenario transitways and CTIB phase I program of projects



## Increased Revenue Scenario

- An additional \$8 to \$10 billion for state highways to greatly enhance regional mobility, including highway-related bicycle and pedestrian improvements, while rebuilding and maintaining the existing system
- An additional \$7 to \$9 billion for transit investment including expansion of bus service and facilities and accelerated completion of the region's transitway vision



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*By 2040, the metropolitan area will add 800,000 new residents and 550,000 new jobs.*

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Transportation is the engine of our regional prosperity. The next 25 years call upon the Twin Cities region to maintain and enhance our existing facilities, better connect people and communities, and provide more transportation choices that will make the region stronger and a better place to live. The *2040 Transportation Policy Plan* lays out a course of action to do just that through six goals:

- ➔ *Transportation System Stewardship* – we will maintain our regional transportation system in a state of good repair and operate it to connect people and freight to destinations in a cost-effective manner.
- ➔ *Safety and Security* – we will reduce crashes and improve safety, as well as reduce the transportation system’s vulnerability to natural and man-made incidents.
- ➔ *Access to Destinations* – we will provide a reliable, affordable, and efficient transportation system that connects people of all ages and abilities, via multiple modes, to jobs, school, and other opportunities throughout the region and beyond.
- ➔ *Competitive Economy* – we will attract and retain businesses and residents by improving multimodal access to areas in our region that have a high concentration of jobs and we will efficiently move freight throughout the region and beyond.
- ➔ *Healthy Environment* – we will provide a system that promotes connectivity for people of all ages and abilities, particularly under-represented communities, while reducing the impacts of transportation construction and use on the natural, cultural, and developed environments.
- ➔ *Leveraging Transportation Investments to Guide Land Use* – we will encourage local land use design that integrates highways, streets, transit, walking, and bicycling to assure design focuses regional growth in areas that support the full range of multimodal travel.



## A focus on equity and healthy communities

In line with the equity outcome included in *Thrive MSP 2040*, the strategies detailed in the *2040 Transportation Policy Plan* include equity among the criteria for prioritizing transportation spending across the system. Strategies also highlight the importance of healthy and livable communities for investment decision-making.

For the first time, the plan acknowledges the impact the transportation system has on global climate change. The plan calls for additional evaluation of this impact, and convening partners to discuss how the region can prepare to mitigate the effects of climate change and slow its progress.



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