

Fairfax County Comprehensive Transit Plan and Transit Development Plan Update

CTP/TDP Update Briefing

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FCDOT Introduction

- First Fairfax County Transit Development Plan completed in 2009 for FY2011 - FY2020
- DRPT requires a TDP update every 6 years
- FCDOT is developing two documents
 - Ten-year Comprehensive Transit Plan (CTP)
 - Six-year Transit Development Plan (TDP) Update

Tonight's Topics

- Project Team
- Purpose of the CTP and TDP
- Project Scope
- Project Schedule
- Approach to Public Outreach
- Discussion Topics

Project Team



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Purpose of the CTP and TDP

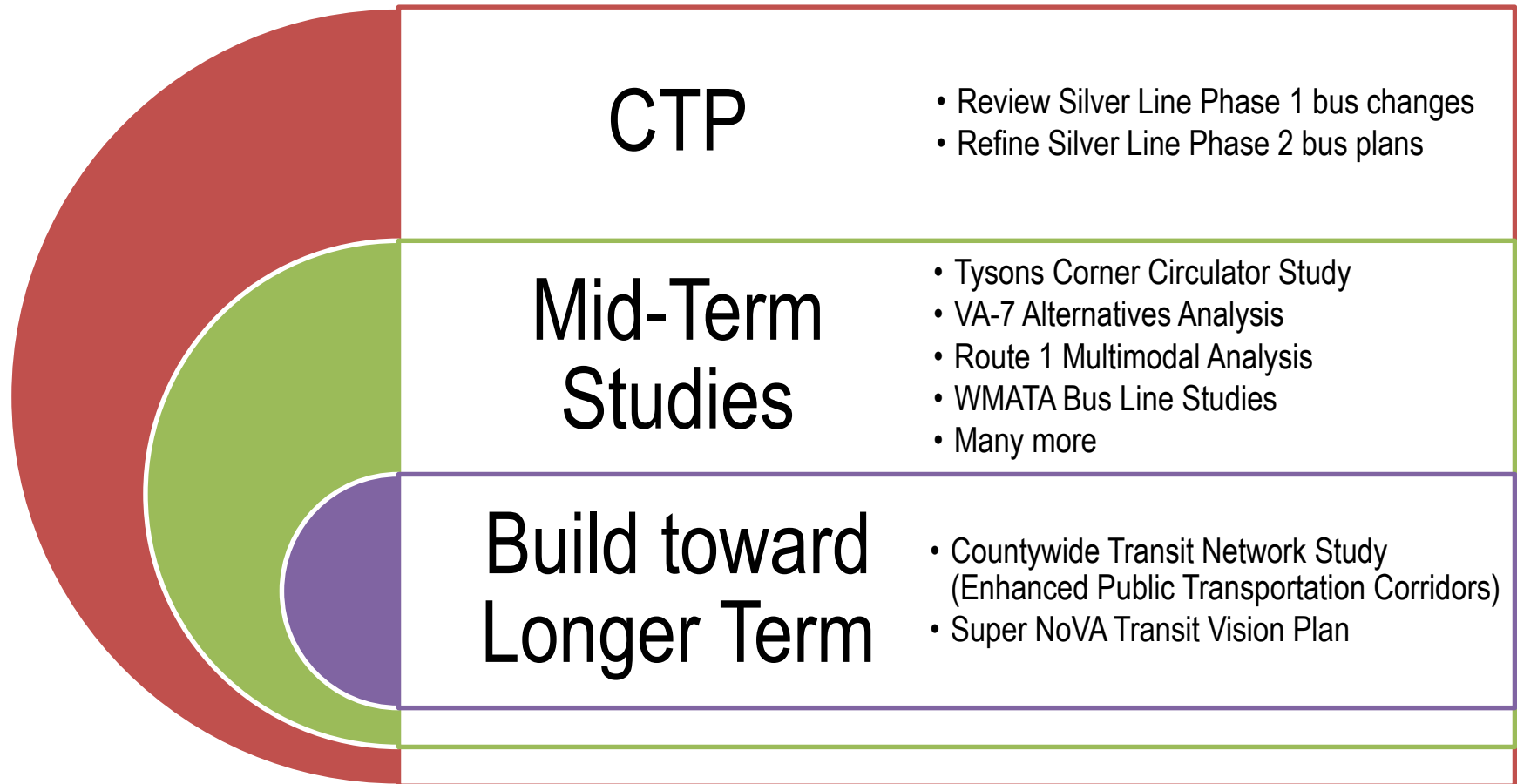
► CTP

- Compare current bus service to travel patterns and needs
- Recommend service and facility adjustments to meet ten year demand
- Prioritized plan for needed bus service and facility improvements from FY2016 – FY2025 – fiscally unconstrained

► TDP

- DRPT requirement – six year financially constrained plan
- Blueprint for bus service and related capital improvements from FY2016 through FY2021 – constrained to anticipated revenues

Relationship of the CTP to Other Projects



CTP Project Scope - Data Gathering

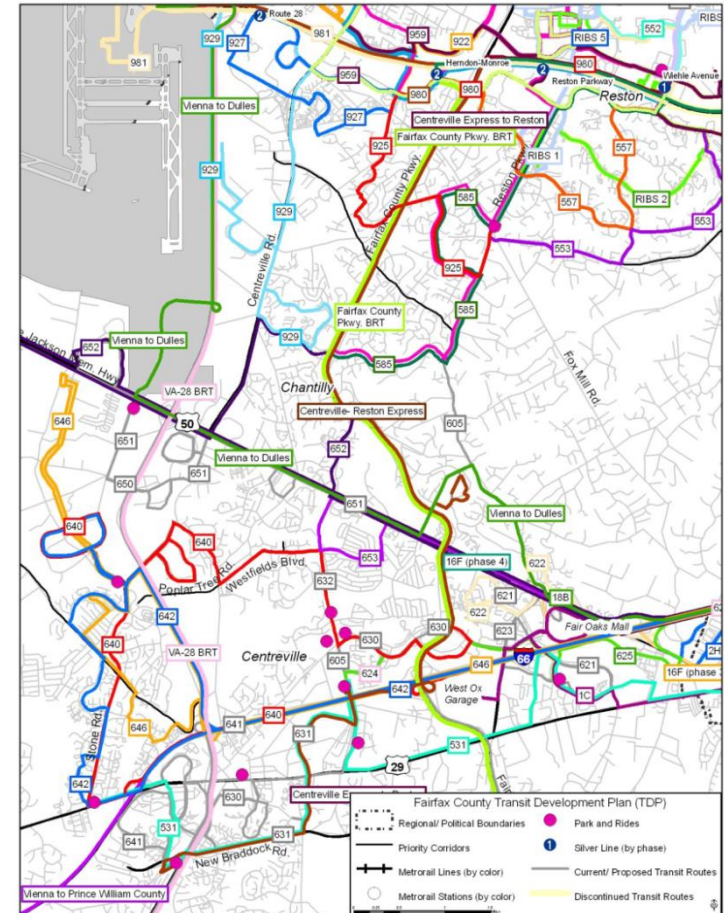
- Review of past and current studies
- Analysis of demographics and forecasts
- Ridership counts and surveys
- County resident telephone and web-based survey
- Stakeholder and public outreach



Board of Supervisors
County boards/commissions
TAC, COA, M&T,
Planning Commission,
County Executives
Local cities and towns
Fairfax, Vienna, Herndon
Initial public outreach

CTP Project Scope - Service Recommendations

- Analysis of current and potential ridership
- Development of plans for bus service improvements, such as:
 - Improved Metro feeders
 - Cross-County routes
 - Connections to nearby jurisdictions
 - Adjusted frequency and hours of service
 - Silver Line Phase 2 bus plan



Project Schedule

Task	Timeline
Data Gathering	Mostly complete; North County surveys and ridership counts on hold until Silver Line changes are in place
Phase I General Public Outreach: <i>Provide Input</i>	September – October <i>(after Silver Line opening)</i>
Service Planning	October – March
Phase 2 General Public Outreach: <i>Review Recommendations</i>	Spring 2015
Finalize CTP	Fall 2015
TDP Update for Board Approval	Fall 2015

Approach to Public Outreach

- Two phases of outreach
- County Supervisor briefings – fall 2013 & spring 2015
- Briefings for County boards and local officials ← We are here
- General Public / Community Outreach – fall 2014 & spring 2015
 - Online engagement: County website and IdeaScale
 - Pop-ups at public events
 - General public workshops
 - Meetings with community based organizations
- Consideration of minority, low income and LEP populations

Possible Discussion Topics

- **What do you see as the biggest issues facing public transportation in Fairfax County?**
- **Where do you think more bus service is needed?
Less? Better?**
- **Are there particular destinations in Fairfax County that need better bus access?**
- **Are there missing connections to any destinations or other transit services outside Fairfax County?**

Possible Discussion Topics

- ▶ **Does the bus service provide the right balance between serving local trips within the County and providing bus access to Metrorail?**
- ▶ **Do the hours of bus service (weekdays and weekends) meet the needs of County residents, employers and businesses?**
- ▶ **Are there particular groups of riders or potential riders in the County who are not being adequately served?**

Possible Discussion Topics

- In addition to better bus service, are there other things that would make it easier to use Fairfax Connector and/or Metrobus?
 - park and ride lots?
 - bus stop amenities?
 - real-time information?

- Other thoughts?