

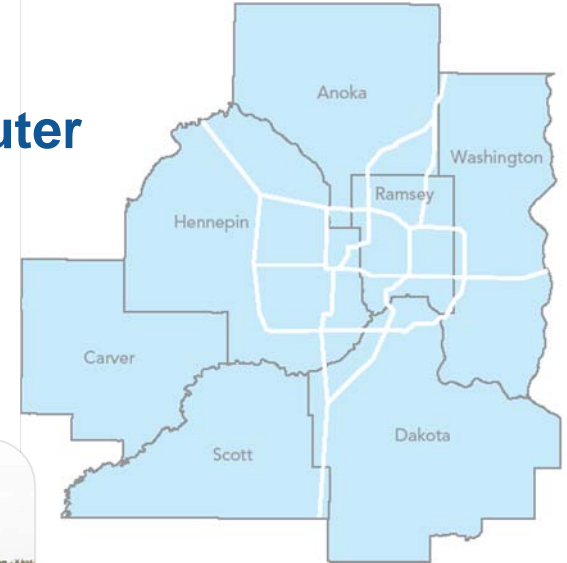
Future of Twin Cities Transit



Patrick Born, Metropolitan Council Regional Administrator
October 14, 2011

Regional Overview

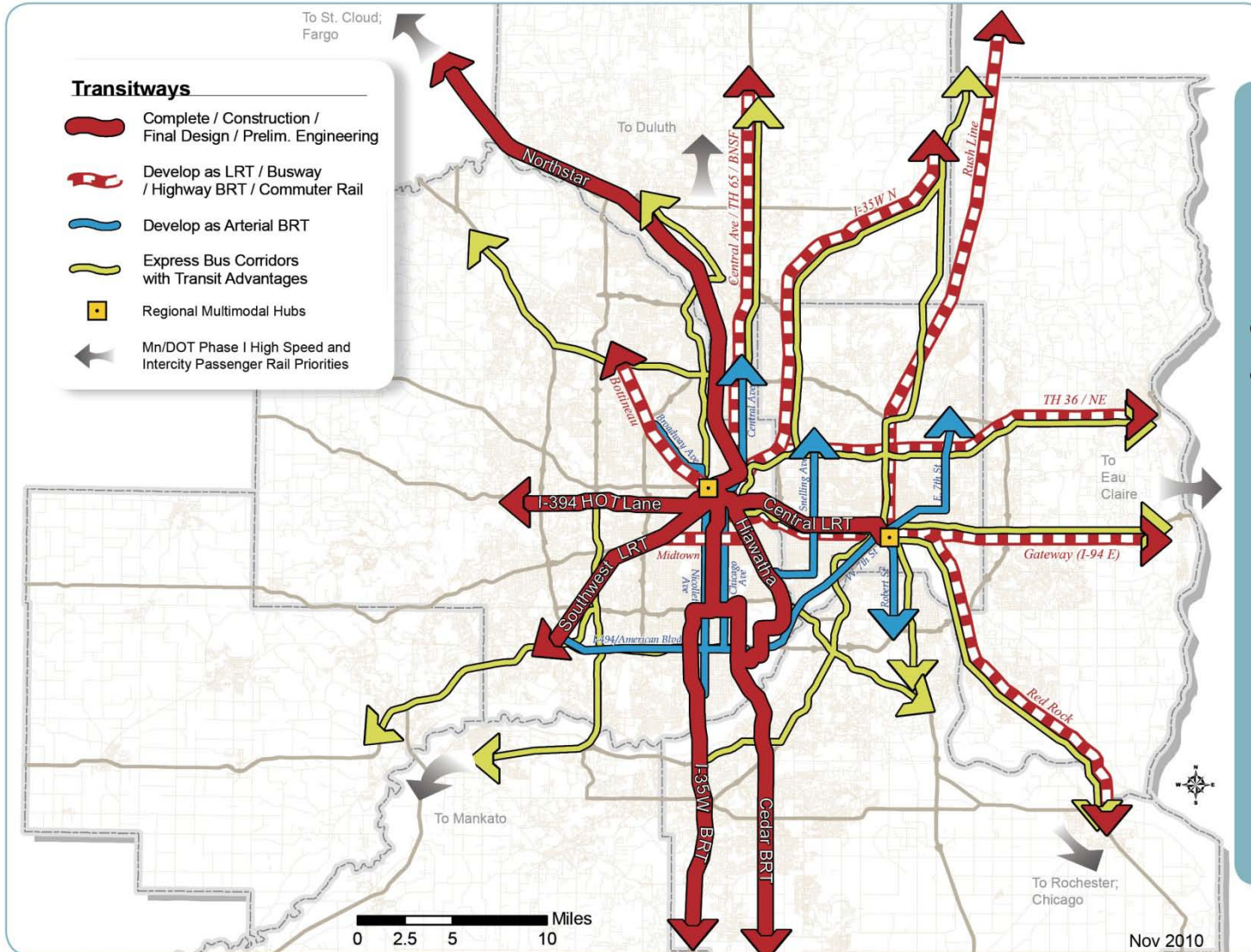
- Metropolitan Council is MPO for 7-county metro
- 3.3 million people, >60% of Minnesotans
- 10th highest congestion delay per commuter
- Transportation consistently a top citizen concern



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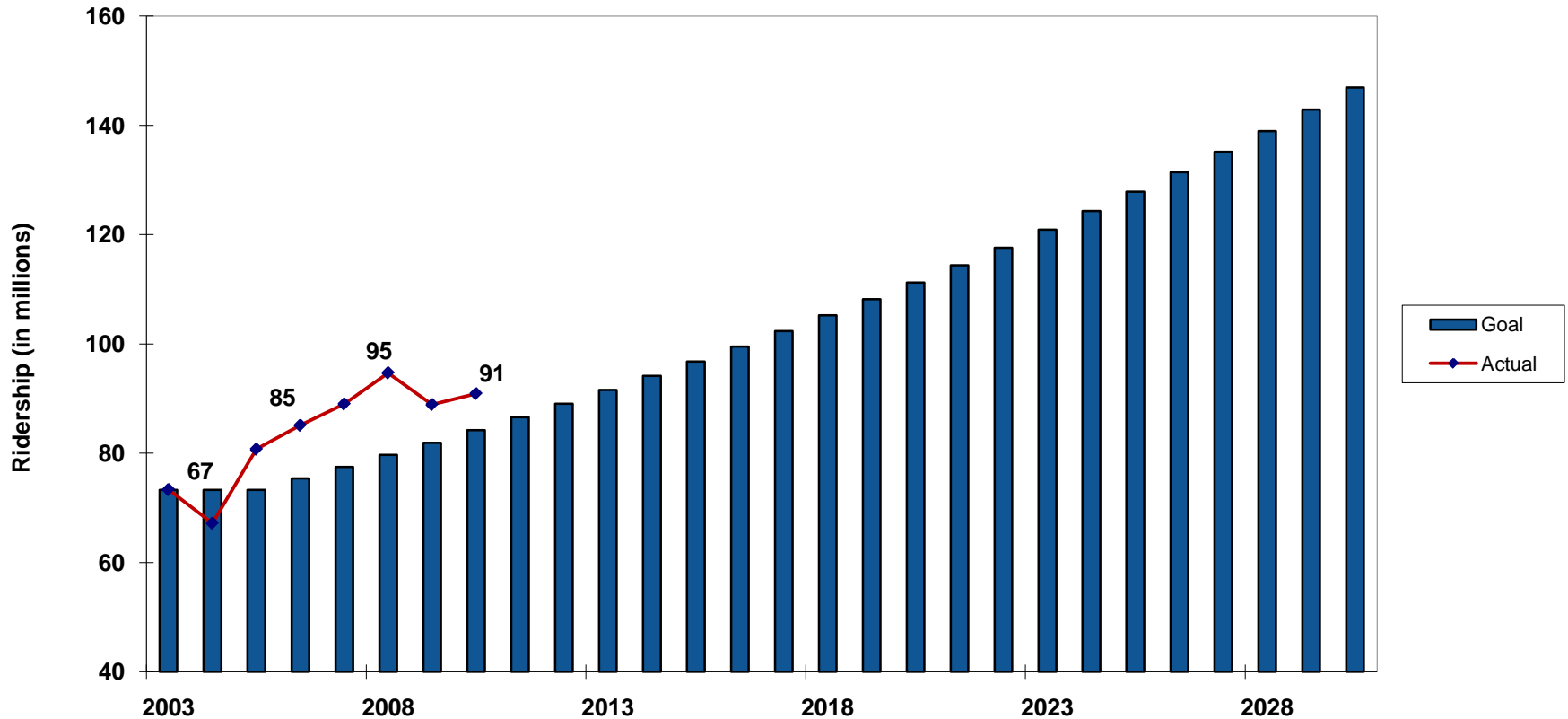
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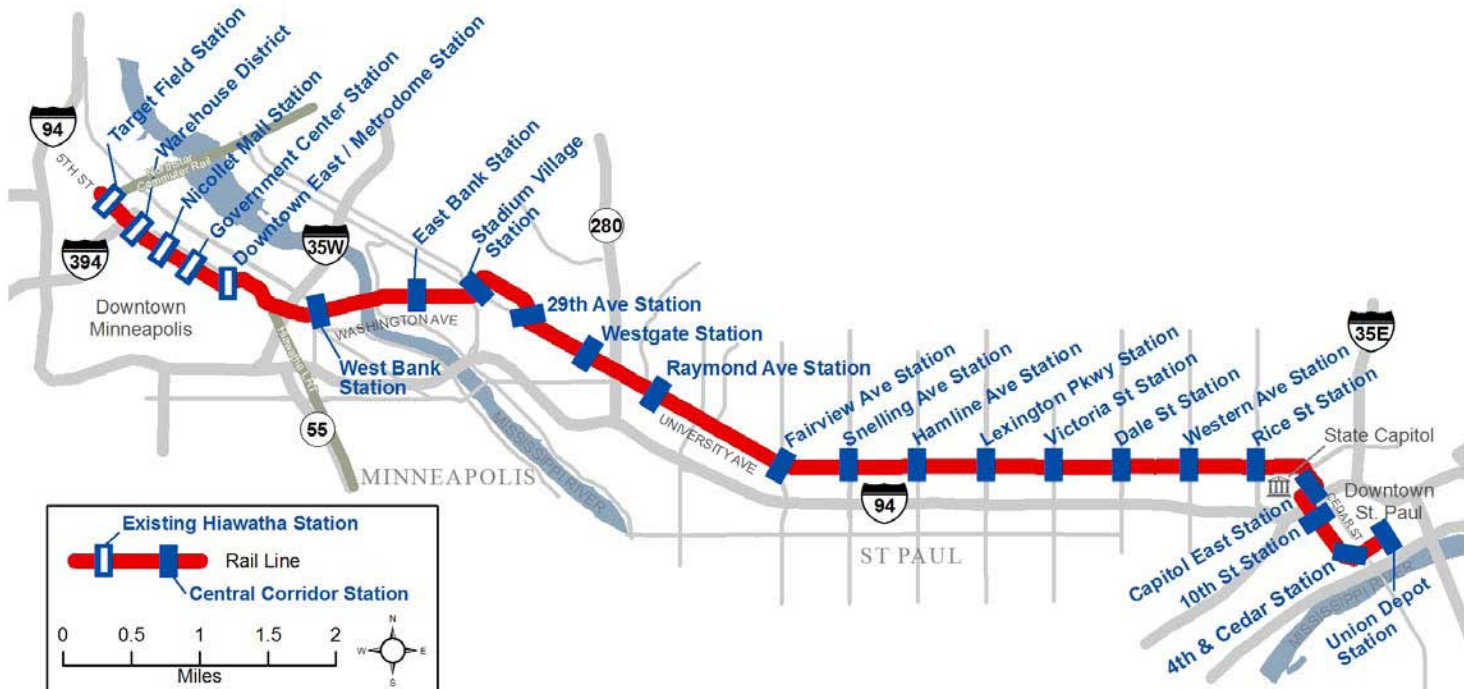
2030 Plan: Regional Ridership



- **147 million rides by 2030**
- **Ridership has exceeded goal past 6 years**

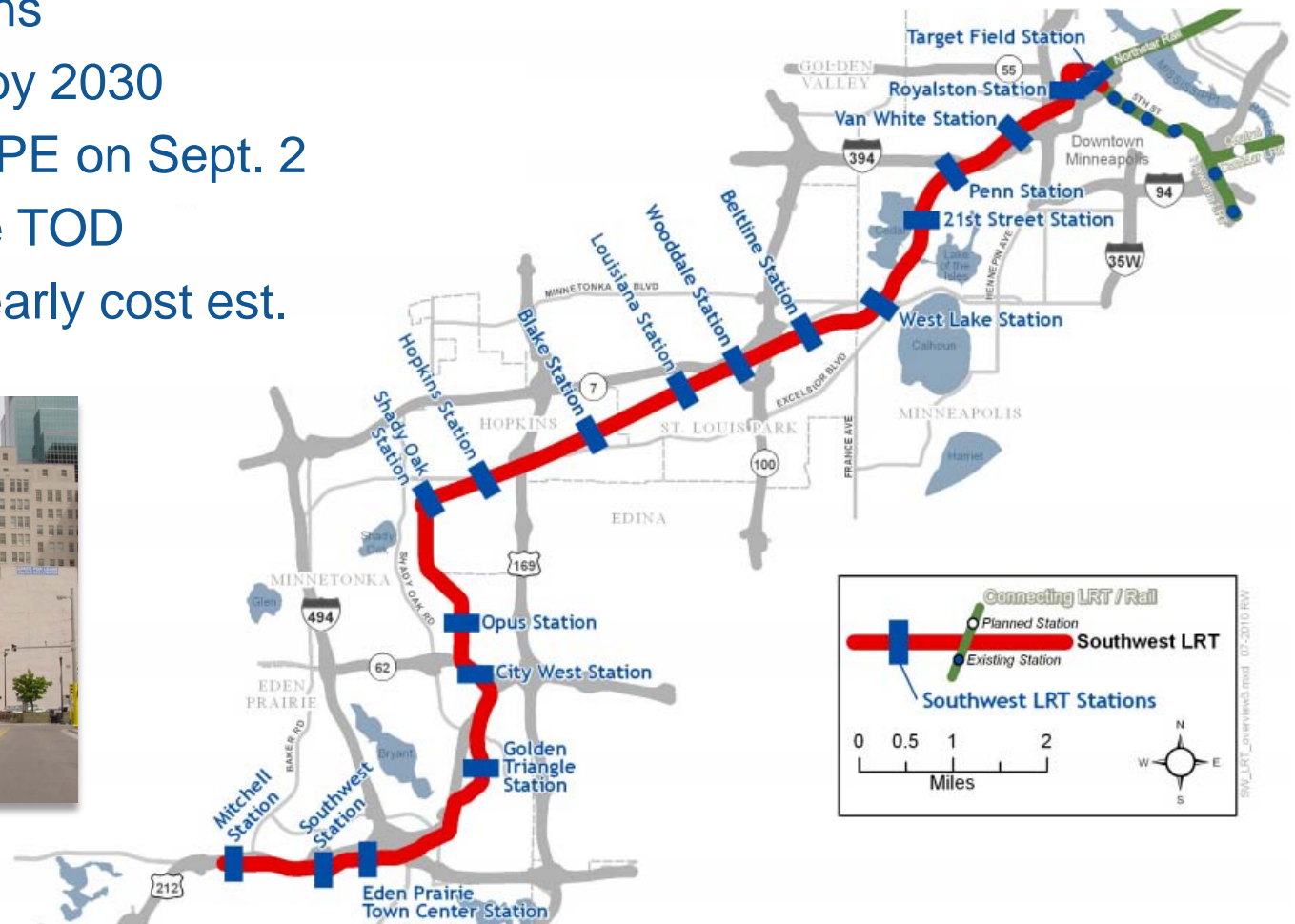
Central Corridor Light Rail – Green Line

- 11 miles – St. Paul, U of M, Minneapolis
- 18 new stations, 5 shared with Hiawatha
- \$957 million budget; 40k+ daily rides by 2030
- Construction +23% complete; opens 2014
- 1,300 jobs created to date



Southwest Corridor LRT – Green Line (Phase II)

- 14 miles, Eden Prairie – Minneapolis
- 17 new stations
- 30,000 rides by 2030
- Approved for PE on Sept. 2
- Public-Private TOD
- \$1.25 billion early cost est.



Interchange project

- Western multi-modal transit/transportation hub adjacent Target Field
 - Hiawatha (Blue) Line, Green Line (I + II) and Northstar, buses, bike/ped
- Construction expected to begin in 2013
- Estimated cost = \$60 - \$80 million
- Completion expected in 2014 with opening of Green Line





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