#### Memorandum



DATE August 7, 2015

The Honorable Members of the Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee: Lee M. Kleinman To (Chair), Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Erik Wilson (Vice-Chair), Sandy Greyson, Mayor Pro Tem Monica R.

Alonzo, Adam Medrano, and Casey Thomas II

#### SUBJECT DART Priorities Overview

On Monday, August 10, 2015, you will be briefed by DART on the DART Priorities Overview. The briefing materials are attached for your review.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Mark McDaniel Assistant City Manager

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#### City of Dallas Transportation and Trinity River Project Committee

#### **DART Priorities Overview**

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## City of Dallas Transportation & Trinity River Committee Downtown Second Alignment (D2)

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# Why is DART Concerned?



# Flexibility

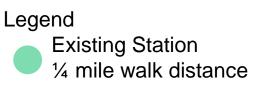


# Capacity

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#### Market Area Coverage



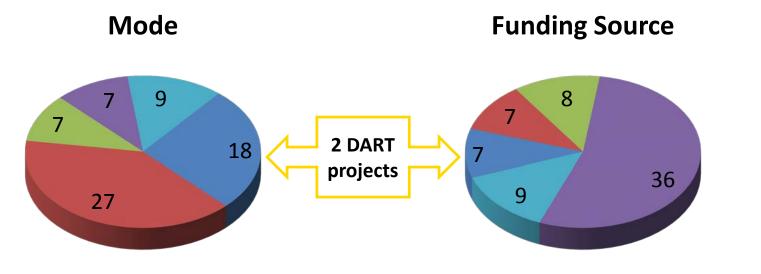


D2 Station ¼ mile walk distance

# Federal Funding Schedule

- Projects can be submitted any time for review
- Estimated request for funding between \$350 M- \$400 M
- Current Window
  - September 2015 Submittal to FTA
  - October November FTA Review
  - December 2015 Project Rating
  - February 2016 President's FY 17 Budget
- Missed Window
  - February 2017 President's FY 18 Budget or beyond
  - Change in Administration

### Current Capital Investment Grant Program Pipeline

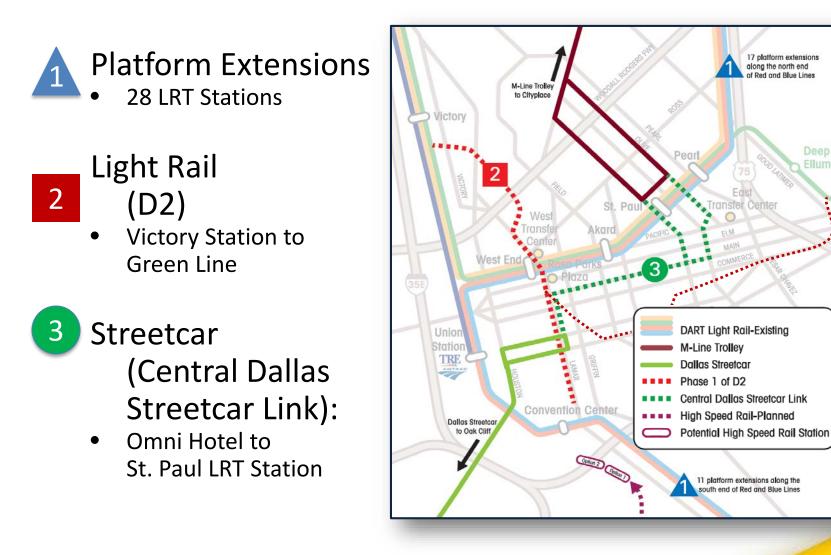


- Light Rail
- Bus Rapid Transit
- Heavy Rail
- Commuter Rail
- Streetcar

- Core Capacity Project Development
- New Starts Engineering
- New Starts Project Development
- Small Starts Project Development
- Full Funding Grant Agreement

#### 67 Projects Nationwide Competing for Funding

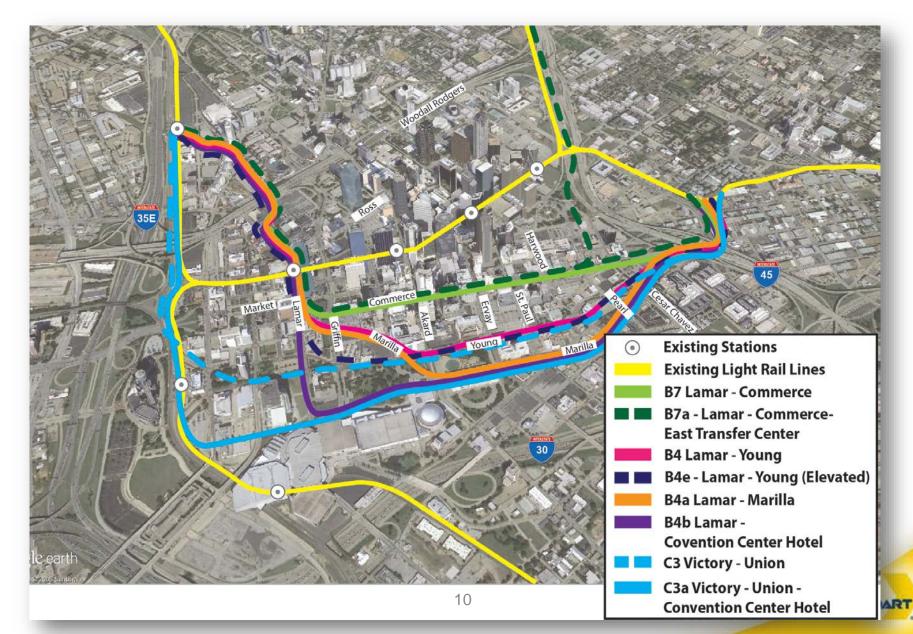
# **Program of Interrelated Projects**



### High Speed Rail Dallas Station Options



#### **D2** Alternatives

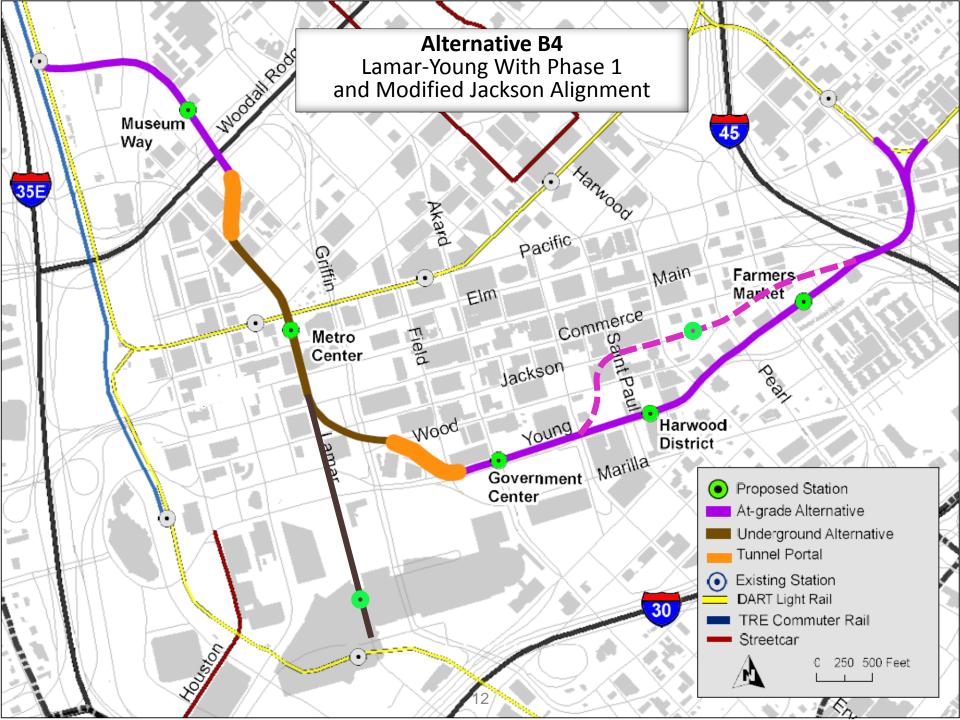


### **D2 Preliminary DRAFT Evaluation Results**

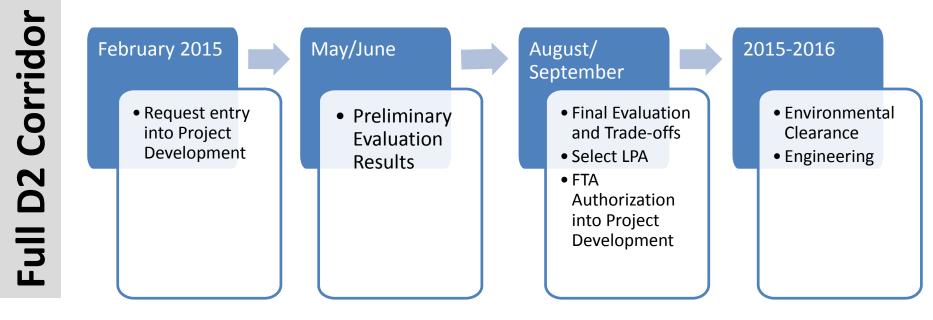
	<b>B4</b>	B4wo	B4a	B4b	B4e	B7	B7a	<b>C3</b> <sup>1</sup>	C3a <sup>1</sup>
Project Length (miles)	2.41	2.41	2.48	2.64	2.67	2.27	3.29	2.24	2.26
% Tunnel (miles)	21%	21%	41%	44%	Elevated	49%	65%	34%	54%
Capital Costs (2013,\$M)	\$511	\$493	\$830	\$898	\$505	\$912	\$1,173	\$596	\$1,057
O&M Cost Increase over No-Build (2013,\$M)	\$2.5	\$2.2	\$4.3	\$4.4	\$2.5	\$3.4	\$3.9	\$8.0	\$10.2
Project Trips	40,462	31,068	37,636	33,244	40,522	31,578	38,062	30,894	31,917
Added Riders	5,122	-4,454	1,761	-3,528	6,201	-3,945	-4,685	-8,886	-1,932 <sup>2</sup>
FTA Core Capacity Criteria (Interim Guidance)	Med- High	Med	Med- High	Med	Med- High	Med	Med	Med	Med

1 Assumes West End Bus Transfer Facility is relocated to Union Station.

2 Added riders drops to -5437 if bus transfer facility is not relocated to Union Station.



#### D2 Next Steps



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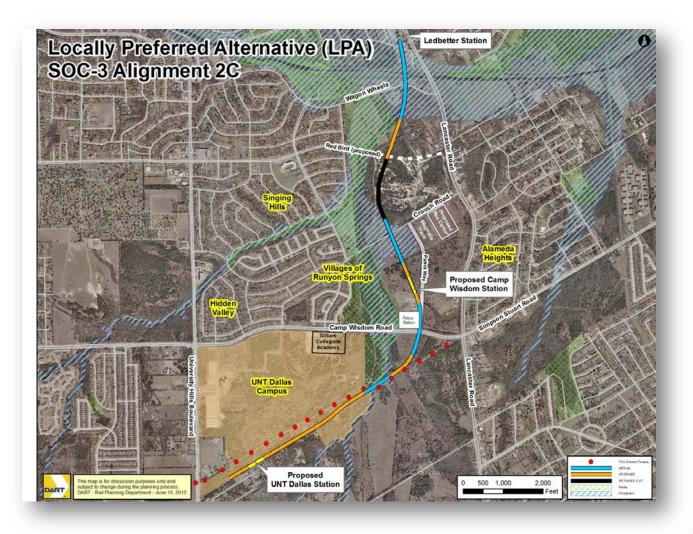


## City of Dallas Transportation & Trinity River Committee South Oak Cliff Extension to UNT-Dallas

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#### Blue Line Extension to UNT-Dallas



# South Oak Cliff - Status

- 2.61 mile extension of the Blue Line south from Ledbetter Station to UNT-Dallas
- Construction cost: \$104 M
- Two new stations
  - Camp Wisdom
  - UNT Dallas
- Camp Wisdom Station
  - Design coordinated with new Singing Hills Recreation Center
- Construction initiated October 10, 2014
  - Water line
  - Bridge construction
  - Ledbetter Station
- Anticipated revenue service December 2016

#### **Ledbetter Station**



### Camp Wisdom Station and Singing Hills Recreation Center



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Station trellis are deferred



### UNT Dallas Station View from bus load/unload area



#### **Ledbetter Station Improvements**



View from North Abutment of Five-Mile Creek



Hanging Beams over Wagon Wheels Trail



North & South Abutments at Runyon Springs Tributary





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## City of Dallas Transportation & Trinity River Committee Cotton Belt Corridor Update

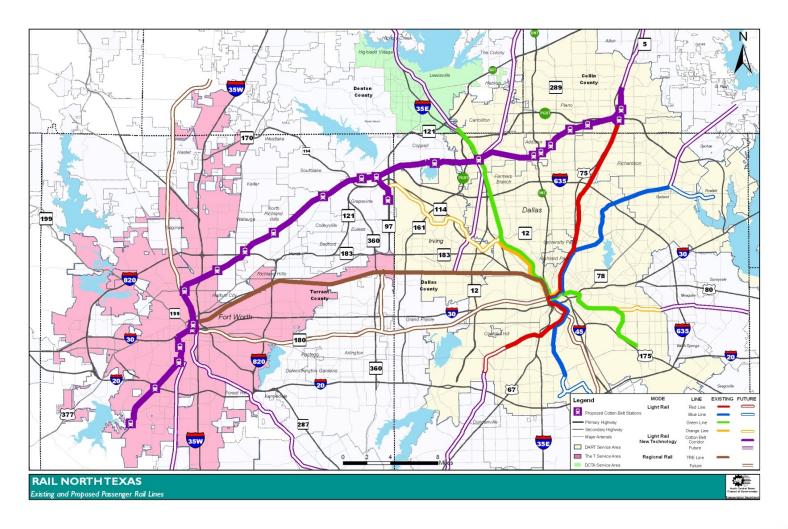
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# Overview

- Two independent projects
  - The Fort Worth Transportation Authority (TEX Rail)
  - Dallas Area Rapid Transit
- Serves a large part of the region
  - Located in Dallas, Collin and Tarrant counties
  - 13 Cities
  - 2 Universities (UTD and Texas A&M Research & Ext Center)
- Important transit connections
  - D/FW Airport and Orange Line Connection
  - DART Green Line and Red Line Connections
- DART owns 52-miles of Cotton Belt right-of-way
  - North side of Fort Worth to Wylie

#### **Cotton Belt Corridor**

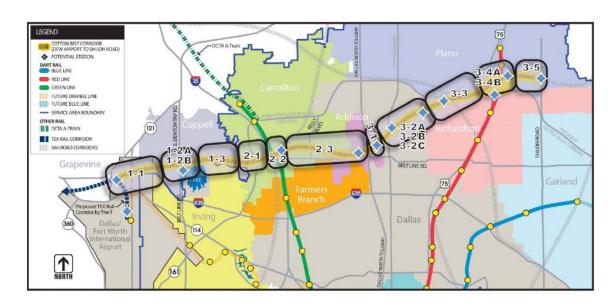


# **TEX Rail Status**

- The T submitted New Starts application for Tex Rail in October 2011
  - Seeking \$405 million in federal funding
- In August 2013, the T Board redefined project as Minimum Operable Segment (MOS) from Downtown Fort Worth to the DFW Airport station
  - Revised environmental document under review by FTA and FAA
- Authorized for Engineering in June 2015
- Contract for 8 "FLIRT" vehicles with Stadler
- Anticipated revenue service in December 2018

## Eastern Portion of the Cotton Belt 41 Options Evaluated

- BRT & Rail
- Base Line Project
- Alignment Alternatives
  - Cypress Waters
  - Bush Turnpike
    Station
- Profile Options
  - Trench
  - Tunnel



# Summary Table: Gross Capital Cost

Operable Segment	Rail:	Rail:	Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
(At-grade)	Double Track	Single Track	
DFW Airport to Plano	\$1,599 M	\$690 M	\$393 M

### **Regional Rail Vehicle**











# Cotton Belt – Recent Activity

 Cotton Belt in the proposed 20 Year Financial Plan

– Revenue service in 2035

- Town of Addison requested technical assistance from the NCTCOG to identify options to deliver the project earlier than 2035
  - Six operational scenarios identified
  - DART conducting financial review of proposals



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