

OVERVIEW OF MOBILITY 2030 TRANSIT ELEMENT



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WHAT IS THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)?

**Represents Blueprint for Multimodal Transportation
System**

Responds to Adopted Goals

Mobility

Quality of Life

Financial/Air Quality

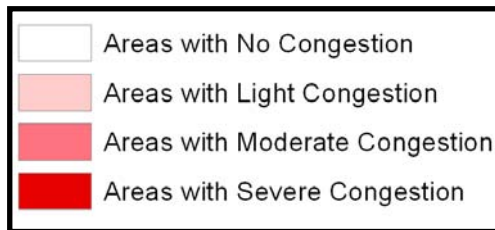
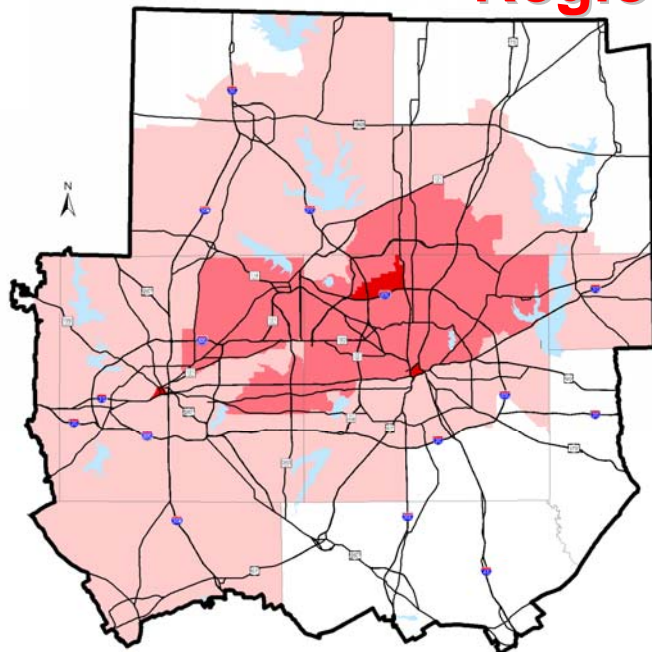
**Identifies Policies, Programs, and Projects for
Continued Development**

Guides Expenditures of Federal and State Funds

MOBILITY 2030: THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

2007

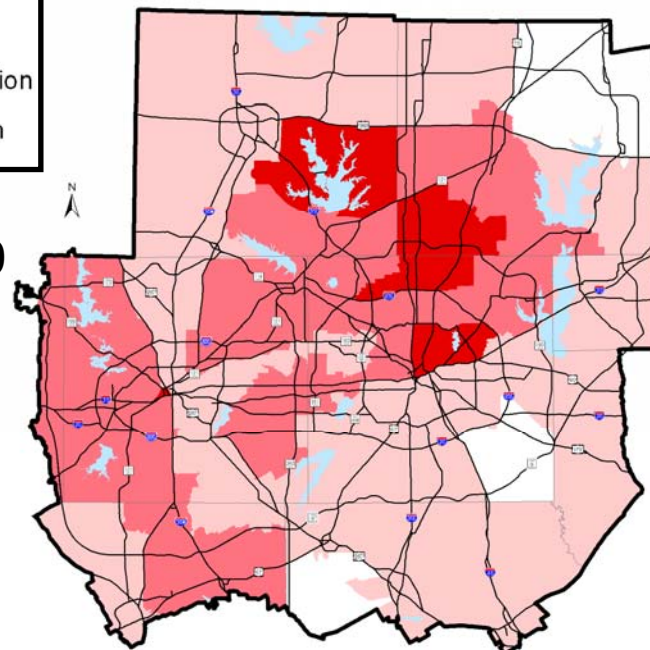
Regional Congestion Levels



	2007	2030	% Change
Population	5.9 M	8.5 M	44.1%
Employment	3.7 M	5.3 M	43.2%
VMT/Person	25.6	28.4	10.9%

	2007	2030	% Change
Vehicle Miles Traveled	151 M	241 M	59.6%
Roadway Capacity (Lane Miles)	31,000	41,000	32.3%
Daily Total Delay (Vehicle Hours)	1 M	1.7 M	70%
Annual Cost of Congestion	\$4.2 B	\$6.6 B	57.1%

2030



TRANSIT ELEMENT DEVELOPMENT

Evaluation of*:

Corridor Location and Length

Mode (rail or bus)

Vehicle Type (commuter rail, light rail, streetcar, etc.)

Station Locations

Corridor Cost

Transit Authority System Plans
(the T, DART, DCTA)

Connectivity

Future Expansion Opportunities

* Partial list of Evaluation Criteria

Passenger Rail Recommendations

Legend

- Light Rail
- Light Rail - New Technology
- Regional Rail
- - - Regional Rail - Special Events Only
- Existing Rail Corridors
- Highways

Fort Worth CBD



Dallas CBD

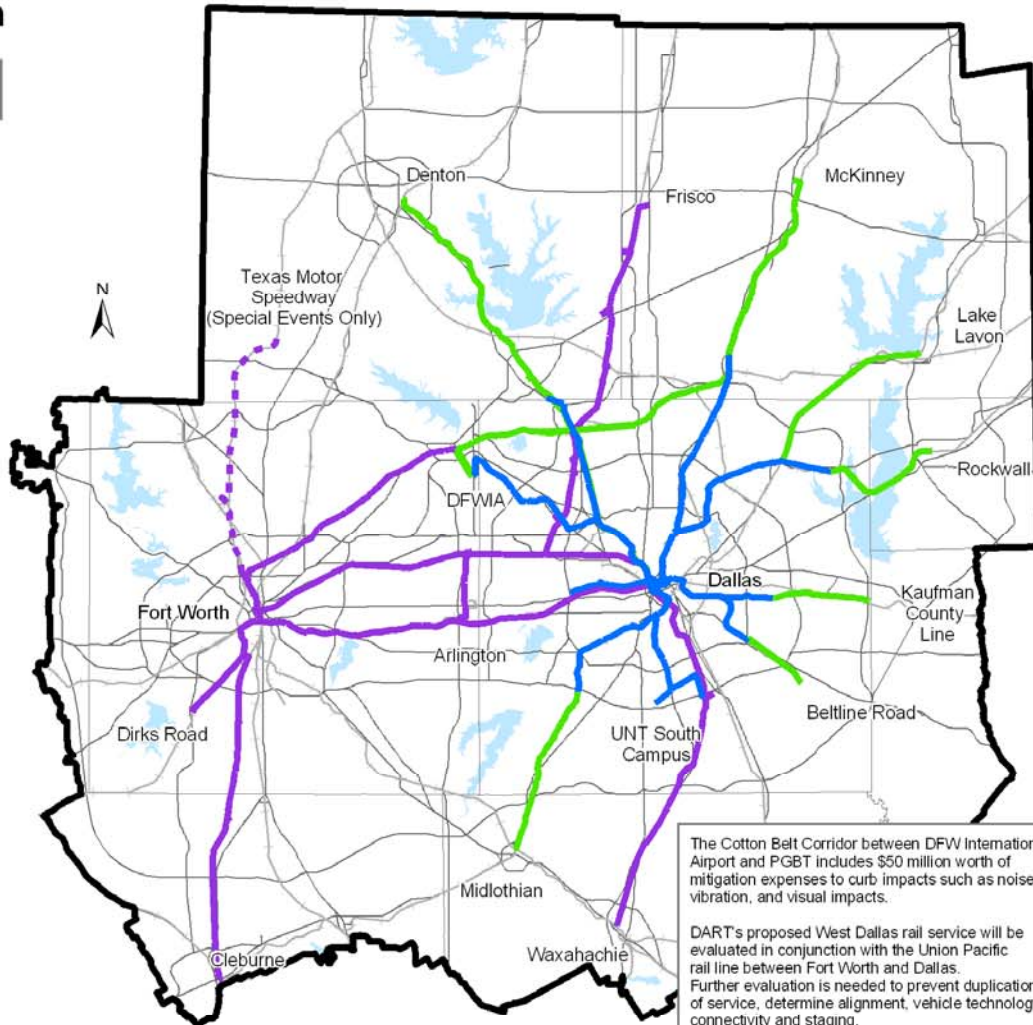


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Institutional structure being reviewed for the region.

The need for additional rail capacity in the Dallas CBD, Fort Worth CBD, DFW International Airport, and other inter-modal centers will be monitored. A grade separation is needed for the Dallas CBD second alignment.



The Cotton Belt Corridor between DFW International Airport and PGBT includes \$50 million worth of mitigation expenses to curb impacts such as noise, vibration, and visual impacts.

DART's proposed West Dallas rail service will be evaluated in conjunction with the Union Pacific rail line between Fort Worth and Dallas. Further evaluation is needed to prevent duplication of service, determine alignment, vehicle technology, connectivity and staging.

DART's proposed SouthPort rail line extension will be evaluated in conjunction with the Dallas to Waxahachie rail service. Further evaluation is needed to prevent duplication of service, determine alignment, vehicle technology, connectivity and staging.

397 Additional Rail Miles
\$9.6 Billion

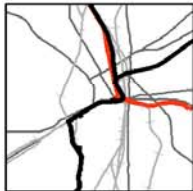


**Rail Recommendations Dependent
on Regional Transit Initiative Funds**

Legend

- Existing Service, Programmed Projects and Projects Under Development
- Projects Pending Alternative Funding
- Existing Rail Corridors
- Highways

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239 Rail Miles in Jeopardy



Rail Corridors Identified For Further Evaluation (1)

Legend

- 2030 Rail Recommendations
- Rail Corridors Identified For Further Evaluation
- Existing Rail Corridors
- Highways

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(1) Represents additional transportation needs above and beyond those of the financially constrained recommendations.

Inter-Regional Passenger Rail Connectivity Recommendations

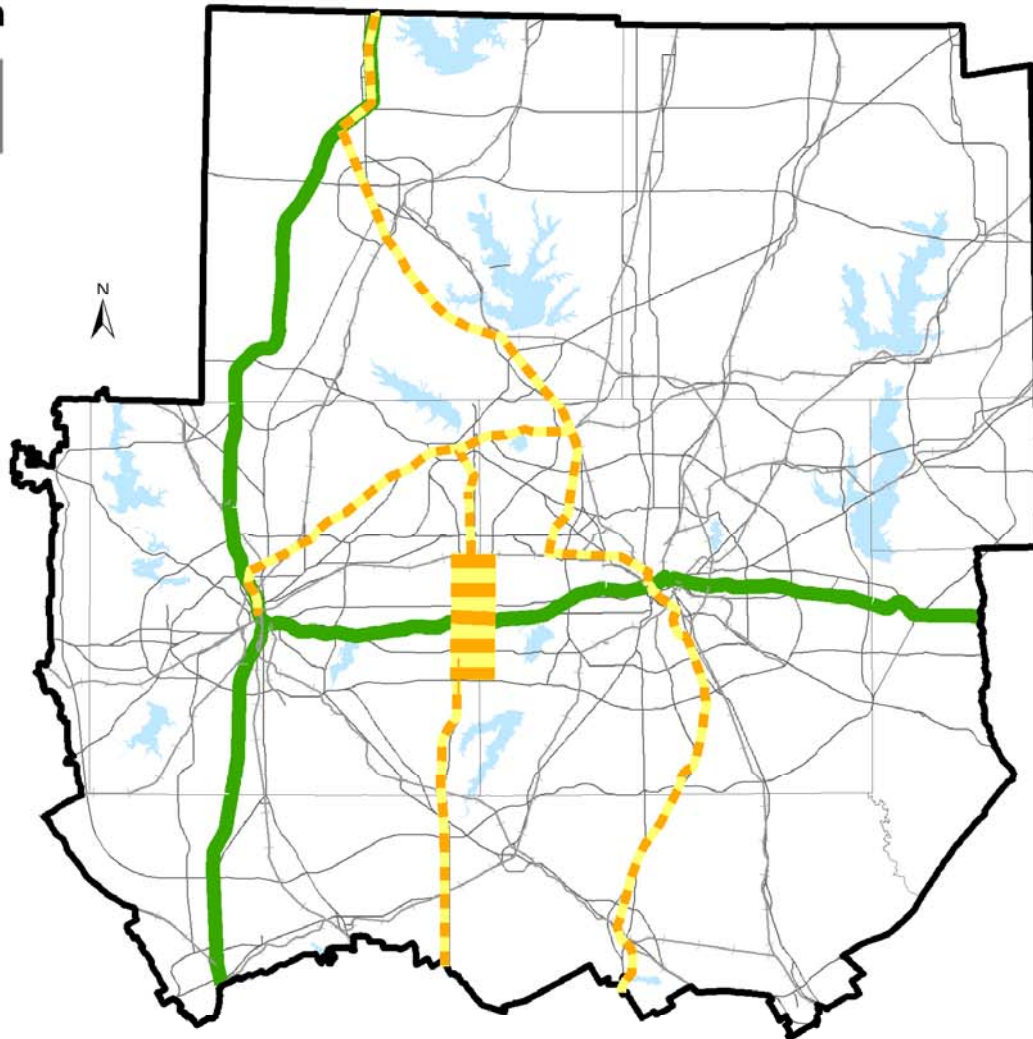
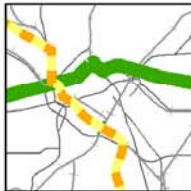
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- Intercity Rail e.g. Amtrak
- Potential TTC High Speed Rail
- Existing Rail Corridors
- Highways

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IDENTIFIED FUNDING NEEDS DALLAS-FORT WORTH REGION

(Updated Based on Mobility 2030 Funding Levels)

Metropolitan Transportation System Components	Funded Needs (Billions/2006 \$)	Unfunded Needs (Billions/2006 \$)
Operation & Maintenance	\$18.7	
Congestion Mitigation Strategies	\$2.1	
Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities and Transportation Enhancements	\$1.1	
Rail and Bus Transit System	\$11.0 ¹	
HOV and Managed Facilities	\$3.3	
Freeway and Toll Road System	\$26.4	\$12.7²
Regional Arterial and Local Thoroughfare System	\$5.7	\$6.0
Additional Cost to Purchase Right-of-Way		\$1.1
Rehabilitation Costs	\$ 2.6	\$32.1
Goods Movement/Rail Freight Costs (Trans-TX Corridor)		\$6.7
TOTAL	\$70.9 (55 %)	\$58.6 (45 %)
	\$129.5 Billion	

¹ \$3.4 billion obtained through Regional Transit Initiative

² Includes Freeway-to-Freeway Interchanges

For More Information

Mobility 2030: The Metropolitan
Transportation Plan for the
Dallas-Fort Worth Area

www.nctcog.org/trans/mtp



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