

Project Update – Milwaukee County Board

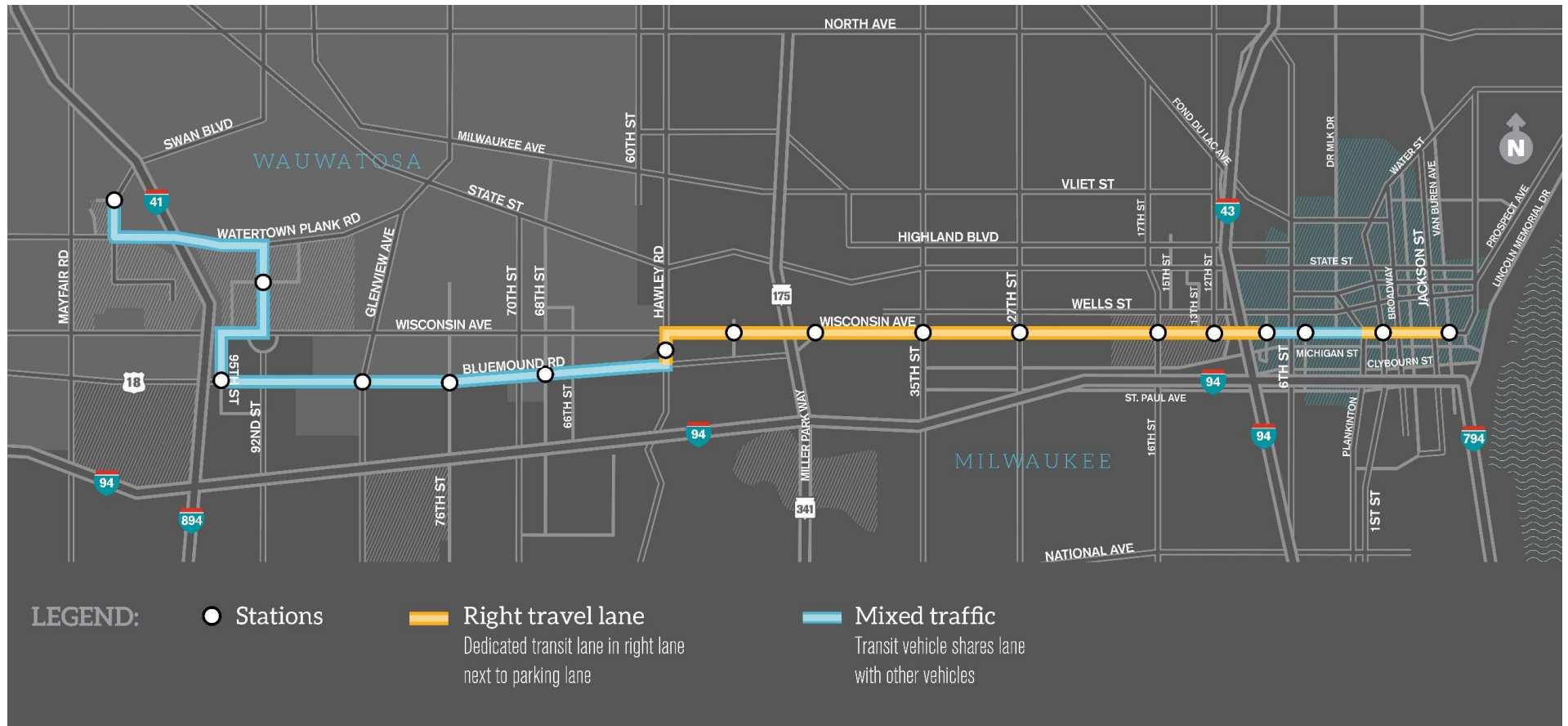
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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The East-West Corridor

EAST
WEST **BRT**



PROJECT OVERVIEW

What is Bus Rapid Transit?

FREQUENCY and RELIABILITY

Using a Package of Bus-Based Transit TOOLS:

- Dedicated Lanes
- Transit Signal Priority
- Level Boarding
- Specialized Vehicles
- Off-board Fare Collection
- Fewer Stops
- Increased Frequency



EAST WEST **BRT**

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Populations Served

BRT Population Statistics

Place	Population	% Zero-Car Households	% Minority Population	% Population below Poverty
East-West Corridor (within ½-mile)	69,821	21%	37%	23%
City of Wauwatosa	46,838	8%	12%	6%
City of Milwaukee	598,078	18%	63%	29%
Milwaukee County	953,401	14%	46%	22%
State of Wisconsin	5,724,692	7%	17%	13%

Census, ACS 2010-2014

Station Design

EAST
WEST **BRT**



PROJECT OVERVIEW

PROJECT STATUS

Milestones



2020

- Final Design Activities
 - 100% designs
 - Utility coordination
 - Continued stakeholder engagement
- FTA Risk Assessment
- Begin vehicle procurement
- Small Starts Grant Agreement
- Milwaukee County Board Approval

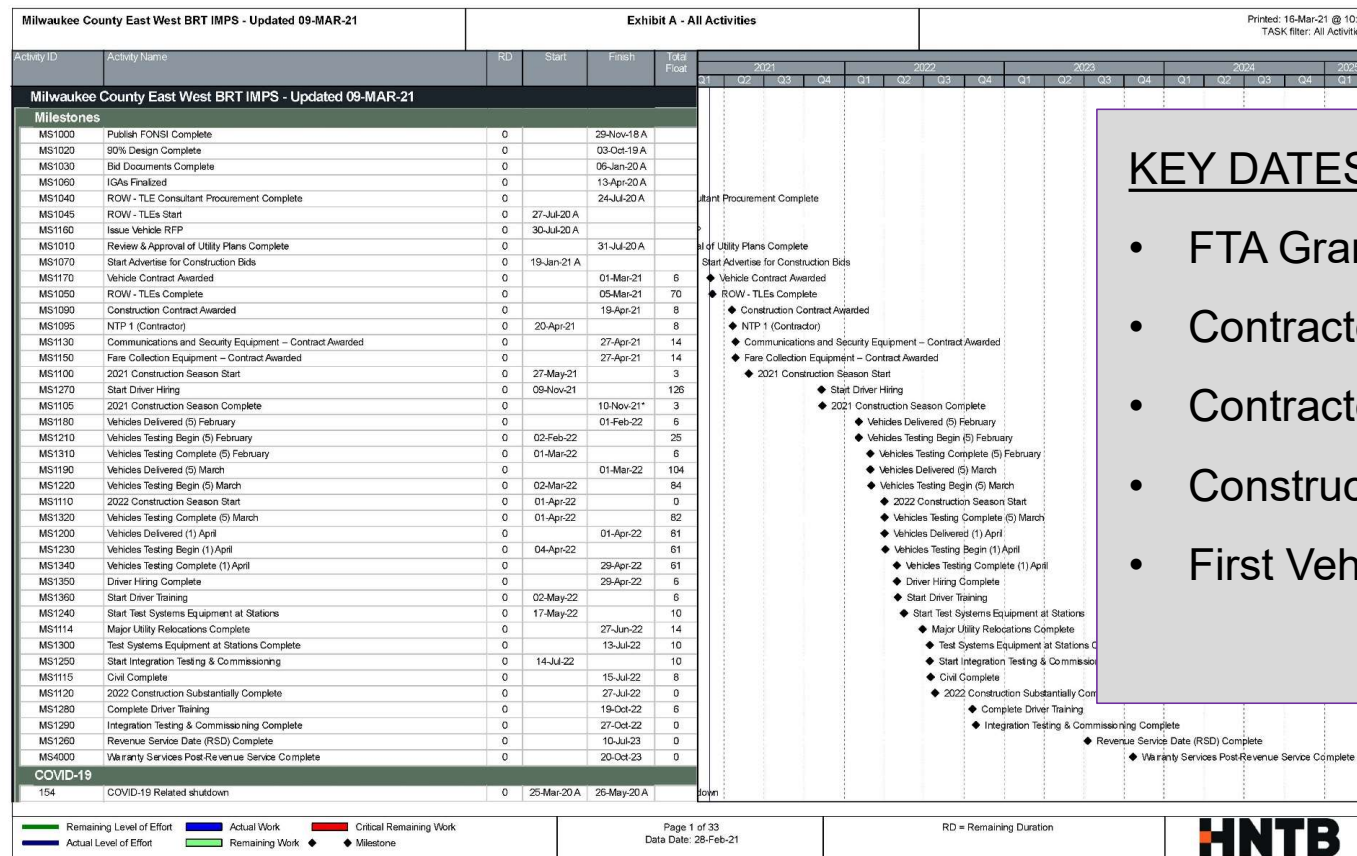
2021

- **Begin Construction**

2022

- Vehicle delivery and testing
- Finalize Construction
- Fall – Start of revenue service

Schedule



PROJECT STATUS

BUS ANNOUNCEMENT

- Eleven Battery Electric Buses (BEB)
- Overhead charging facility
- RFP released on July 30, 2020
- Selection announced March 11, 2021 – Nova Bus (Volvo Group)
- Vehicle delivery expected April- September 2022
- Several components of the bus will be built and assembled locally at businesses in Pleasant Prairie, Racine, Greendale, Pewaukee, Elkhart Lake, and Manitowoc



PROJECT STATUS – VEHICLE STATUS

Testing and Training Schedule*

Testing/Training	Start	Complete
Bus Charging Station Testing	February 2022	April 2022
Vehicle Testing	April 2022	May 2022
Driver Training	May 2022	October 2022
Integration & Commissioning	July 2022	October 2022

**Note: These dates are subject to change pending vehicle delivery and construction completion.*

UPCOMING ACTIONS & IMPACTS

Upcoming Actions and Impacts

- **Construction Contractor on board**
 - Pre-Construction Activities
 - Updated Construction Schedule
 - Groundbreaking June 2021
- **Release of RFP – BRT Fare Collection System**
- **Regular TPW&T Updates**
- **On-going Stakeholder Coordination**



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(Construction Updates COMING SOON!)

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