

# Why now?



#### By 2040 our region will increase by:





#### We will need a Transit system that:

- Accommodates growth and demand
- Promotes equity and social justice
- Connects people to Link
- Reduces emissions
- Adopts emerging technologies

What will it take to respond to these needs?

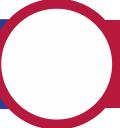
GROWTH
in Metro service,
from 3.5 million
service hours to
6 million hours
by 2040.

### Overview



- More Service
- More choices to meet many needs
- Easy, Safe, and Comfortable Travel
- Nuts and Bolts
- What we need to succeed





### Benefits Across King County





**70%** 

TRIPLE the percentage of people close to frequent service



Commuters who take transit grows from 14% to 24%



Metro buses arrive at Link stations every

1.5 MINUTES



In LOW-INCOME or MINORITY areas, 85% of residents will be close to frequent transit service—and the OPPORTUNITIES it brings.



EMISSIONS REDUCED.
300,000 fewer cars are on the road every weekday.

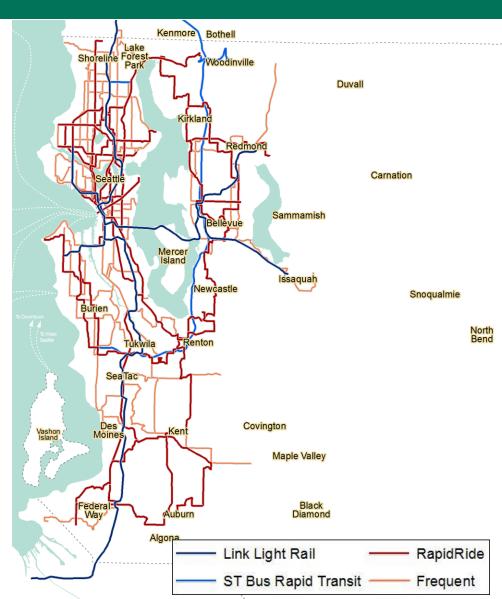


#### 2040 Service Network

#### **Frequent Service**



Expand RapidRide with 20 new lines and 300 miles of new or enhanced service.



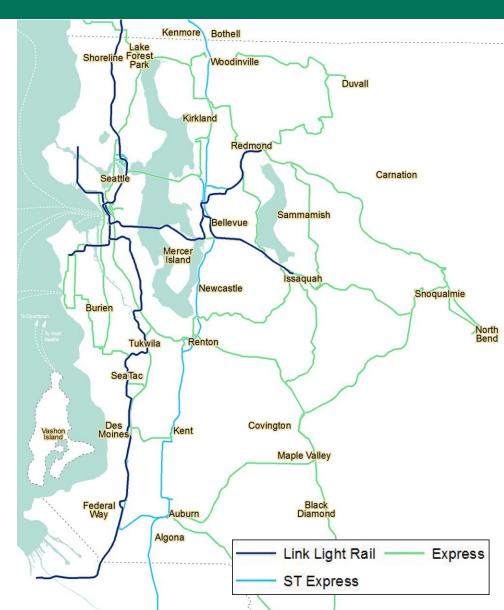


#### 2040 Service Network

#### **Express Service**



Connect centers where many people live and work across King County





#### 2040 Service Network

#### **Local Service**



Right type of transit or alternative service for local travel and first/last mile connections





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**Express Service** 



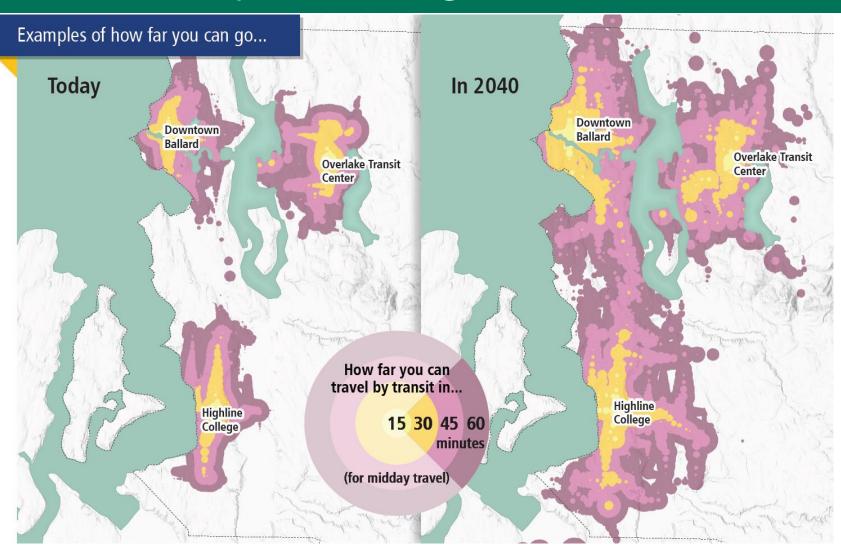
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### How far you can go





The travel sheds shown on the maps above include walking time, average amount of time waiting for the bus (assumed to be half the frequency), travel time, and any transfer time between buses.

The starting point for each example is: downtown Ballard—15<sup>th</sup> Ave NW and NW Market St; Overlake Transit Center—NE 40<sup>th</sup> St and 156<sup>th</sup> Ave NE; Highline College—S 240<sup>th</sup> St and Pacific Hwy S.

### Service you can count on



#### Investments to help buses run faster and stay on schedule:

- Bus lanes, signal priority, off-board ORCA readers
- 600 miles of roadway investments for all service types
- Significant expansion to Metro's capital program
- Requires strong partnerships with cities



### More Choices to Meet Many Needs Meet





#### **Expanded Range of Options:**

- Provide alternative services where traditional local service does not fit
- Integrate city planning and transit planning
- Develop new products through research and development
- Move toward faster and easier payments with ORCA 2
- Make it easier to move between Metro and other providers







### Easy, Safe, and Comfortable





#### Make it easier to get where you want to go:

- New and better information for customers and to improve operations
- Improvement to make easy connections to transit
- Safe and well-designed passenger facilities
- Make getting on the bus fast and easy









### Park-and-Rides

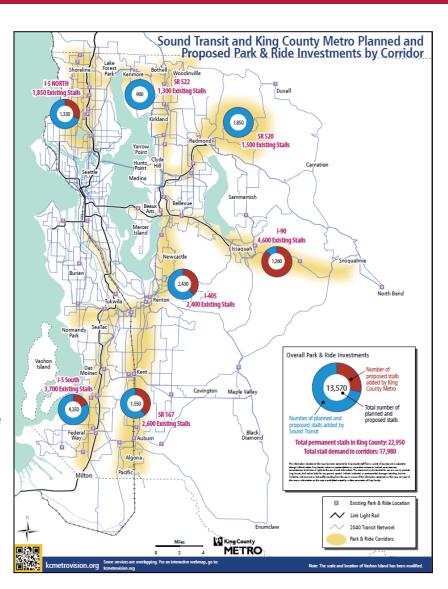


#### More spaces

- Over 40% more park-and-ride stalls in 2040\*
- Investment focused in areas of low development & transit density
- Opportunities for more leased lots, shared parking, on-street options

#### **Increased efficiency**

- Increase utilization through more rideshare, restriping
- Technology improvements like real-time parking info & communication
- Use paid parking to better manage capacity

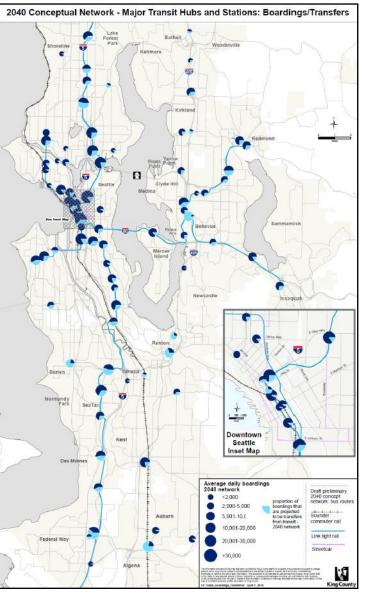


<sup>\*</sup> Includes proposed Sound Transit investments

### Community Investments







### The Nuts and Bolts









- Our people: substantially grow our workforce to support the expansion of service
- A fleet for the future: buy more than 500 new buses and vans to support the higher levels of service
- Trolley network: Grow our trolley network by expanding and infilling overhead wires
- Layover areas: Increase bus layover space by 50% from today
- Bus bases and support facilities:
   Add two to three new bus bases and invest additional support services and facilities.

### Implementing the Vision



## Transit system will require substantial capital and service investments

- Strengthen partnerships with cities, stakeholders and other transportation providers
- Work with cities to ensure improvements are a good fit for each community
- Long-range plan to support local planning and identify complementary transit service



### Learn More and Give us Feedback

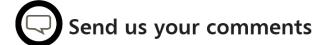




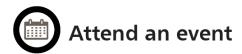












May 20 – Public comment ends on the draft METRO CONNECTS plan

#### **Upcoming Evening Joint Sound Transit & King County Metro open houses:**

- April 27 Old Redmond Schoolhouse
- April 28 Union Station (Daytime)
- April 28 Todd Beamer High School (Federal Way)

