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NEPA SCOPING MEETINGS
JULY 12, 13 AND 14, 2004

SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR
HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY

Nashville Area MPO

AND

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

July 2004
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I. PURPOSE OF REPORT

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a series of scoping meetings were held in July 2004. The series included three public meetings, held on July 12, 13 and 14th, and one agency scoping meeting, which was held in Nashville on July 14, 2004. The materials in this report document the outreach conducted prior to the meetings and the four meetings.

II. PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

Regarding the three public meetings, the public outreach, communications and attendance generation activities prior to the scoping meetings were numerous and comprehensive. The specific activities included:

- Development and production of all background and meeting support materials.
- Placement of required newspaper notification classified ads as well as special display ads in major newspapers and Hispanic language newspapers in the study corridor.
- Coordination and briefing of communications specialists for each city and county in the study corridor.
- Distribution of meeting announcement flyers in high traffic locations throughout the study corridor.
- Outreach and communications regarding the scoping meetings with all ADA, African-American and Hispanic organizations.
- Briefing meetings with key media to provide background and answer questions.
- Distribution of press releases, media alerts and direct contact with key media to generate additional coverage.

The legal and other advertisements, press release and flyers are in Appendix A-1. Resulting news stories are in Appendix A-2.

On June 23, 2004, the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) mailed an agency scoping meeting invitation and scoping information package to 112 local, state and federal governmental offices, and elected officials. The list is included as Exhibit B. The package (attached as Exhibit C-1 and C-2) contained the invitation, project summary and project area map. The invitation (Exhibit C-1) explained that if invitees were unable to attend the July 14 meeting held at 1:30 at the Nashville Downtown Library, they could attend any of three other scheduled public meetings. The sign-in sheets of the meetings in Smyrna (July 12) and Murfreesboro (July 13) indicate that some of the invitees chose to attend the public meetings.

III. MEETING HAND-OUTS

Handouts at the meetings included the following:

1. Project Summary that included project study area map (See Exhibit C-2).
2. Comment Form (See completed form in Exhibit G.)
IV. SCOPING MEETING FORMAT

The meetings were “open-house” style,” which made it easy for citizens or agency representatives to come and go at any time during the session. Large printed boards illustrating the draft goals and objectives, different types of transit technologies and the study area map were placed throughout the meeting locations. Visitors could view the boards between presentations and have one-on-one discussions with MPO and Consultant staff. A PowerPoint presentation, given by MPO and Consultant staff, was repeated at regular intervals and attendees were invited to ask questions during the presentations. An open question-and-answer (Q&A) session followed each presentation. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation text is included as Exhibit D.

V. AGENCY SCOPING MEETING

Nineteen people attended the agency scoping meeting and represented local governments within and outside the study area, elected officials (Senator Harper’s and Congressman Cooper’s offices), state government (TDEC and TDOT) and two federal agencies were represented (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service [USFWS] and National Park Service-Stone’s River National Battlefield [NPS]). The sign in sheets are attached as Exhibit E. The PowerPoint presentation was given once.

The following issues/questions were posed by attendees (answers are in italics).

- Has the MPO had contact yet with CSX? (Jacksonville CSX is the likely point of contact)
  Yes, the MPO is initiating contact with CSX.

- Relax and Ride: 90 minutes end to end – The trip takes 90 minutes end to end – regardless of whether I-24 or Murfreesboro Road is traveled. 125 people per day ride Relax and Ride. It is important to get input on the transportation/transit needs of the riders.

- CSX goes through Stones River National Battlefield.
  Very good to know this. This will be considered in the environmental screening and alternatives development.

- East corridor – rail ownership?
  TDOT funded, agreement with rail owner/Regional Transportation Authority (RTA)

- Concern with rail going forward in other corridors
  Rail was selected for the east corridor, between Nashville and Lebanon. It is unknown if rail will be the technology chosen for the other four “spokes.” This Fall, the MPO anticipates that a study of the transportation options for the northeast corridor will begin.

- Need to look at on a regional perspective.
  The regional perspective will be considered in development of the alternatives.

- What will happen in CBD – local bus service connections?
  It is acknowledged that riders will need transportation from the terminus of the transit system in downtown Nashville to their places of employment or other destinations. This will be considered in the transit alternatives study.

- Consider reverse commute.
  Yes, reverse commute is an important market and will be considered in alternatives development. Reverse commute markets include the commute from Nashville to Murfreesboro for MTSU students, or from Nashville to corridor employment locations outside Davidson County.
• Coordinate with other high speed rail efforts North and South of the study corridor, such as Chattanooga to Atlanta. 
  This is generally outside the scope of this study, however, the study will likely identify such plans and include coordination with them as part of the study recommendations.

• TDOT – need to look at planned Harding Place Airport connector, which TDOT has planned
  The Team will examine such plans in the development and analysis of alternatives.

• Connection from East and Southeast spokes to Airport difficult – which is more feasible?
  The answer to that question at this point of the study is unknown. The East Corridor was a separate study and we will need to determine how and whether this point was addressed in that study. Whether and how the southeast corridor transit can connect to the airport will be addressed in this transit alternatives study.

• Will the study look at just commuter service?
  No, other transportation needs such as transportation to sports events, medical centers, shopping, and other travel purposes will also be considered.

• Interchange City – employees schedules need to be looked at
  The study team received comments at the public meeting regarding the possible need for transit to serve Interchange City. We will examine this in the transit alternatives study.

• MTSU – need frequency to serve students, faculty and staff mid-day, evenings and at peak travel times
  This comment is acknowledged and will be addressed in the transit alternatives study.

• Contact Murfreesboro Housing Authority
  We will contact the housing authority as part of our stakeholder involvement process.

• When will Team coordinate with NPS?
  We will contact NPS during the alternatives analysis phase during environmental screening and will include the NPS in the database for future meeting notices.

• USFWS – Threatened and Endangered Species (T&E) – 3-4 T&E plants along rail line.
  Comment noted. We will coordinate with USFWS during environmental screening to determine the location of these species.

One comment form was received (Exhibit F). The comment came from Stuart Johnson of Stone’s River National Battlefield. He stated that he supports transit if it can give visitors easy access to the battlefield. The railroad goes through the Battlefield and he is concerned about potential adverse impacts.

VI. PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS

The public scoping meetings and attendees who chose to sign in are as follows:

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<td>22 attendees (includes 4 staff)</td>
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A summary of each meeting is below. The sign in sheets are included as Exhibit G and the summary of comment forms received from the public and a copy of each form is included as Exhibit H.

SMYRNA, JULY 12, 2004

Among the 34 meeting attendees were representatives of the town of Smyrna (including Mayor Spivey), State Representative John Hood, and representatives from State Senator Larry Trail’s office and US Congressman Bart Gordon’s office. Reporters from the Tennessean and the Daily News Journal and WTVF TV were also present. The presentation and Q&A session were repeated three times. Attendees had the following comments/questions:

- Consider toll road.
- Consider improving entrances/exits on I-24.
- Against sharing track with freight trains.
- Does not want to ride bus.
- What does “combination” of transit modes mean?
- Reliable – FAST – Routine (frequency) – High Priorities.
- Lack Right-of-way in town for transit system.
- Location of stations important – (at end points, too!).
- Need airport area stops.
- How to measure approval/select alternative?
- Who operates systems in other cities?
- Connection to Lebanon System?
- Downtown stop – should be in CBD/Riverfront Park?
- Transportation to sports events—consider transit.
- Coordination with RTA? TDOT?
- Have discussions been held with CSX? CSX – what do they think about “us” using their rail line?
- Construction sequencing? All at once or phased?
- Does CSX actually own Right-of-Way?
- Consider looking at Gateway project in Murfreesboro. The development has mixed-use, compact development—similar to transit oriented development.
- Safety – which mode is most safe?
- Funding – how is it split?
- Will this be in TDOT’s 25-year plan?
- Frequency important! Schedule—needs to accommodate work schedules.
- Consider Urban Growth Plan/boundaries.
- Commuter rail – will we look at other cities that use CSX lines?
- Need local bus service in Smyrna, LaVergne, Murfreesboro, Rutherford County.
- RTA Relax and Ride – not enough trips; not early/late enough, no service for early/late transfers.
- Need improvements now.
- Airport – Downtown connection needed (for visitors/employees).
- East corridor—will it have connections to the airport?
Among the 32 meeting attendees were representatives of Rutherford County (including Mayor Allen), a representative from the City (Traffic Director Dana Richardson), State Representatives Kent Coleman and Larry Trail and John Hood, and a representative from Middle Tennessee State University. Reporters from the Daily News Journal and WKRN TV were also present. The presentation and Q&A session were given twice. Attendees had the following comments/questions:

- Consider extension to Tullahoma (42 miles) – commute to Nashville.
- Local bus service in Murfreesboro – impact on assumptions for this project?
- Nashville Downtown – consider how to access area destinations (children’s theatre, etc.) once transit terminates in Nashville.
- Nashville Airport – should be part of study – mistake not to access by shuttle, etc.
- MTSU bus system – should connect to rapid transit system.
- Electrified Trolley – environmentally cleaner mode is preferred.
- Rutherford County part of early environmental alternatives compact, consider this in NEPA EIS.
- Travel time is critical for system to be viable and to compete with auto use.
- Are transit systems self-sufficient?
- What are alignment alternatives other than CSX rail line?
- Cost estimates/comparisons for various modes: BRT, Commuter Rail, etc.
- Attractive service – must be clean and safe.
- How is decision made re: locally preferred alternative (LPA)?
- What is projected traffic growth on I-24 and other roads? How does this impact transit travel time?
- Sitting in gridlock is the better alternative to taking a bus.
- How are systems funded?
- Downtown Nashville – attractions (stadiums) would draw people onto transit system.
- Commuter trains – best alternative. – cost of transit fare less than gas – more efficient – high capacity (rail cars) – travel time faster on rail.
- Look at Gateway Development for transit friendliness– mixed use project in Murfreesboro.
- BRT – What is the travel time and speed?
- How can communities change their development patterns around rail/BRT stations?
- Have a downtown Nashville terminal near Titans stadium – buses/shuttles provide access to downtown locations.
- Bike-friendly systems are important.
- Safe and secure system is important.
- Travel transit time must be competitive to auto.
- Access to destinations at end points is critical.
- Ramp metering – bus (BRT) priority access.
- What does ridership need to be to justify BRT and other alternatives (e.g. cost-benefit ratio)?
- Projections show that TDOT can't build enough lanes to reduce congestion.
- MTSU – students come from Nashville – create congestion and parking problems, reverse commute for these students.
- What are the costs of technology alternatives – capital and operating?
- Service periods of commuter train systems – other than peak hours?
- Give examples of cost effective LRT and commuter rail systems.
• How will system be funded?
• Discuss road funding vs. transit funding – Federal funding levels – state and local funding levels.
• What are local funding options for transit?
• Are roads subsidized?
• What type of improvements are required on the CSX rail corridor to make compatible with commuter rail?
• Does high capacity transit reduce congestion; or what are the benefits of high capacity transit?
• Can transit technologies grow with population and density growth?
• Can HOV lanes be replaced by rail options?

NASHVILLE, JULY 14, 2004

Among the 22 meeting attendees were representatives of the Regional Transportation Authority, the Nashville Area MPO, the Greater Nashville Regional Council and the Board of the Metropolitan Transit Authority. The meeting consisted of a PowerPoint Presentation given by MPO and Consultant staff, open questions during the presentation and a Q&A session following the presentation. The presentation and Q&A session were given twice. Attendees had the following comments/questions:

• Do not widen highway.
• Special lanes on highway for transit would be acceptable.
• Supports mass transit.
• What will a trip look like? (Murfreesboro to Green Hills)
• Studies show people don’t like to use multiple forms of transit
• How to change peoples minds – cars to transit.
• Nashville far behind in transit.
• Street layout produces chaos for transit.
• Five spokes too ambitious (due to population density)?
• Consider transit service to sports and other downtown special events.
• Why commuter – why not improve intercity transit?
• Who is coordinating system planning?
• Choose mode separate from congested roads.
• System needed for disabled.
• What are the incentives to use transit besides time savings?
• East spoke – how far along is it?
• Will CSX be a serious obstacle?
• How are stakeholders being involved?
• Need East-West service at Interchange City.
• Operating schedules need to consider workers’ schedules – Need earlier/later options – more frequent.
• Fast rail or express bus preferred.
• Concern with having connections from high-capacity transit to places of work.
• Need input from stakeholders, e.g. MTSU, large employers.

Meeting summary prepared for the MPO by Margaret Slater, AICP, Parsons Brinckerhoff, with input from Ackermann Public Relations, July 2004
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NASHVILLE AREA MPO KICKS OFF SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR
HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT STUDY WITH JULY PUBLIC MEETINGS

Study to Recommend Transportation Alternative for Traffic-Congested Region

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (July 2, 2004) – Residents of the Southeast Corridor from Nashville to Murfreesboro will have their first opportunity in mid-July to comment and provide suggestions for transportation alternatives that could stabilize the traffic congestion problems in the region.

The year-long study begins this month and will consider several high performance transit alternatives such as light rail, commuter rail or bus rapid transit. The study seeks to gather significant public input throughout the process and will address cost, benefits and environmental issues before recommending a preferred solution. The final report will be delivered in August 2005.

The first public meeting will be 4-7 p.m., July 12 in Smyrna at the Smyrna Town Centre (100 Sam Ridley Parkway). The second meeting is 4-7 p.m., July 13 in Murfreesboro at the Rutherford County Courthouse (Courthouse Square). During each session, a presentation of potential transit improvements in the corridor will be made at 4:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m. and 6:15 p.m., followed each time by a question and answer session for the public. A third meeting is scheduled for Nashville from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., July 14 in conference room 1 of the Nashville Downtown Library (615 Church Street). Presentations for improvement options will be made at 11:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., followed by a question and answer session for the public.

“You have very few options if you want to travel between Nashville and Murfreesboro without getting in your car and sitting in traffic,” said Jim McAteer, project manager and transportation planner for the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). “Besides the obvious environmental issues of cars idling along Interstate 24 and Murfreesboro Road, traffic congestion causes a waste of resources, puts unnecessary stress on commuters, and may even limit economic growth opportunities along the corridor.”

McAteer said at the end of the study, the MPO will recommend a specific transit solution that is cost effective, meets federal and state guidelines and has been determined with local citizen and government input.

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“The goal of this study is to recommend a system that gives citizens transportation options to the automobile, stabilizes our congestion, promotes efficient use of land, and improves access to jobs in the region as well as community, education and retail services,” McAteer said. “We also want to accommodate future travel growth and recommend a solution that will be part of an overall, regional system that is implemented over time and consists of many types of transit that are integrated to function seamlessly.”

Following the mid-July public meetings, the next step in the study process is to begin collecting and analyzing data for the current conditions within the corridor and create, with public input, goals and objectives that will be used to guide the study. Additional public meetings will be held in September. For more information, please contact Jim McAteer at the Nashville MPO, 615-862-7204.
PUBLIC MEETING

HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR:

NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO

Nashville – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, 2004
Nashville Downtown Library / Conference Room 1
615 Church Street

Presentations of potential transit improvements in the corridor, followed by question-and-answer and public input sessions at 11:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

For More Information: 862-7204
PUBLIC MEETING

HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR:

NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO

Smyrna – 4-7 p.m., Monday, July 12, 2004
Smyrna Town Centre, 100 Sam Ridley Parkway

Murfreesboro – 4-7 p.m., Tuesday, July 13, 2004,
Rutherford County Courthouse, Courthouse Square

Presentations of potential transit improvements in the corridor, followed by question-and-answer and public input sessions at 4:15, 5:15 and 6:15 p.m.

For More Information: 862-7204
The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), in cooperation with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), will be preparing in the future an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on high capacity transit improvements in the Southeast Corridor, between Nashville in Davidson County and Murfreesboro in Rutherford County. The MPO hereby gives notice of three public scoping meetings to be held for the purpose of informing the public of what types of transit improvements will likely be studied and to request public comments on what types of transit should be considered and how the study should evaluate the transit options.

The Public Scoping meetings will be held as follows: on Monday, July 12, 2004, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Smyrna Town Centre, 100 Sam Ridley Parkway, Smyrna, Tennessee 37167; on Tuesday, July 13, 2004, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Rutherford County Courthouse, Courthouse Square, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130; and on Wednesday, July 14, 2004 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Nashville Downtown Library, 615 Church Street, Conference Room 1, Nashville, Tennessee 37219. For the evening meetings in Smyrna and Murfreesboro, presentations will occur at 4:15, 5:15 and 6:15 p.m., followed by Question-and-Answer Sessions. The afternoon meeting being held in Nashville will have presentations at 11:15 and repeated at 12:15, followed by a Question-and-Answer Sessions after each presentation.

Interested individuals, organizations and federal, state and local agencies are encouraged to participate and to comment on the types of alternatives to be considered; the different technologies to be evaluated; possible locations for the roadway or tracks, including station locations, and what other types of things should be considered such as the environmental, social, or economic impacts.

Background - The two primary north-south thoroughfares within the Southeast Corridor are Murfreesboro Road, also known as US 41/70S, and Interstate 24 (I-24). This corridor experiences significant levels of traffic congestion within the 30-mile segment of I-24 between Nashville and Murfreesboro, handling between 91,000 and 133,000 average daily annual trips. Murfreesboro Road has between 20,600 and 37,400 average annual daily trips. Few options exist in the corridor to provide alternatives to driving in heavily congested conditions. Improvements are needed to address traffic volumes that increase annually and the corresponding traffic congestion that is projected to occur.

Process - In accordance with the regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, the scoping process will be used to determine the alternatives and impacts to be evaluated. Comments on the appropriateness of the alternatives and impact-related issues are encouraged. Specific suggestions on additional alternatives to be examined and
issues to be addressed are welcomed and will be considered in establishing the
final scope of the EIS.

Alternatives - The scoping meetings, other community meetings and
written comments will be a major source of the types of transit alternatives to be
considered during the alternatives analysis phase and subsequent EIS.
Transportation alternatives proposed for consideration in the Southeast Corridor
include the following:

1. No Action Alternative: An alternative will be developed that is based on
projects included in the local transportation improvement plan (TIP)
and financially-constrained long-range transportation plan, with no
change to transportation services or facilities in the area beyond
already committed projects.

2. Transportation System Management Alternative: A *low-cost*
alternative will be developed to include minor improvements to
intersections, traffic signals, demand management and system
management programs, bus services and facilities and other
modifications to the transportation system that can be made without
major investments in infrastructure or equipment.

3. Build Alternatives: Three alternatives will be developed that combine
various types of major investments to meet the travel needs of the
corridor. These "build" alternatives most likely will include the
development of busway or bus rapid transit, light rail transit, and/or
commuter rail technology along various existing rights-of-way in the
corridor.

Based on public and agency input received during scoping, variations of
the above alternatives and other transportation-related improvement options,
both transit and non-transit, will be considered for the Southeast Corridor.

Comments - Written comments on the alternatives, scope of analysis and
the impacts to be considered should be submitted by August 14, 2004 in order to
be included in the Scoping Process Report. Comments should be addressed to
Jim McAteer, Transit Planner, Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning
Organization, 730 2nd Ave South, Nashville, TN 37201, Phone 615-862-7204,
Fax 615-862-7209, e-mail mcateer@nashvillemopo.org.

A Scoping Information Package has been prepared to provide details on
the background of this project, the project development schedule, the alternatives
currently under consideration, and the process by which agencies and the public
can provide input into the early decisions regarding alternatives and issues to be
addressed in the EIS. Copies are available upon request from the website of the
MPO (www.nashvillemopo.org) or by contacting Jim McAteer (See above contact
information).

The locations of the scoping meetings are accessible to persons with
disabilities. Any individual with a disability who requires special assistance to
participate in the scoping meetings should contact Mr. McAteer at the address, e-
mail address or phone number shown above.
PUBLIC MEETING

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  Nashville Downtown Library / Conference Room 1
  615 Church Street

These “open-house” meetings will consist of presentations of potential transit improvements within the corridor followed by Q&A and public comment sessions, repeated as time allows.

For more information, please contact Jim McAteer at (615) 862-7204.

Nashville Area MPO
Metro Traffic Planners Begin I-24 Study

Middle Tennessee traffic planners are kicking off a study of mass transit along the I-24 corridor between Nashville and Murfreesboro.

Alternative transportation like light or commuter rail could be in your future if you travel between Nashville and Murfreesboro. The Metropolitan Planning Organization is spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on a new study.

Rapid Bus Transit or RBT is just one of several options that will be studied as an alternative way to travel between Nashville and Murfreesboro.

In an RBT system, buses ride in special lanes, and they speed along side other traffic with special privileges like the ability to turn a red light green.

Jim McAteer is the project manager with the Metro Planning.

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Organization of the MPO. The MPO is responsible for long range transportation planning in Middle Tennessee.

The study of the corridor will cost $800,000.

"What we're going to look at is from Nashville to Murfreesboro what types of high performance transit could possibly solve some of the problems we're having there", said McAteer.

Interstate 24 between Nashville and Murfreesboro is one of the most traveled roads in the state. A traffic survey says up to 133,000 vehicles use this stretch of highway every day.

Widening projects have helped, but officials predict traffic congestion will continually get worse.

MPO hired transportation consultant Tim Rosenberger to help with the study. Rosenberger says there are enough major employers along the I-24 corridor to offer plenty of ridership for either light rail, commuter rail or the RBT system.

"Certainly commuters from this area from Murfreesboro, Smyrna and some of the outer areas of the corridor into downtown Nashville would be a key market", said Rosenberger.

He says the traffic study will take a year to complete. After the MPO does the planning, the project will be passed along to either the Tennessee Department of Transportation or Regional Transportation Authority for funding.

Before the study begins three public hearings are planned to get your input. The hearings begin next Monday in Smyrna. Presentations will run between 4 and 7 o'clock in Smyrna on Monday.

The meetings move to Murfreesboro on Tuesday. You'll be able to submit your ideas between 4 and seven there as well. The public hearing in Nashville is the following Wednesday. It runs from eleven in the morning until one in the afternoon at the Nashville Downtown Library.

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7/23/04
Mass transit's time is now in Rutherford

Editorial

If you're one of the thousands of Rutherford County residents who sits in traffic on Interstate 24 for an hour or more while commuting to Nashville each day, an initiative to provide mass transit might interest you.

The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization conducted two public hearings in Rutherford County this week and is holding another in Nashville Sunday to gauge interest in a variety of proposals to open a new transportation line.

Nothing is definite yet, so the planning organization is still determining whether this plan should entail a regular bus system, buses traveling at high speeds with fewer stops, a high-speed commuter rail with limited stops or a light rail similar to old street cars.

If we could wave a wand and make something magically appear, we'd like to see a high-speed train running alongside I-24 with a handful of stops along the way, something that could take thousands of people off the interstate and zip them along so they could save time and money.

Of course, it's easier said than done. Constructing a rail line is an expensive proposition, and we also have to change the mind-set of people who are accustomed to taking their own cars back and forth to Nashville each day. Many people enjoy the drive, using it to drink their coffee, make calls on the cell phone, catch up on radio news and think about what they've got to do at the office.

But seriously, as Rutherford County continues to grow, can we keep expanding I-24? Pretty soon, we'll need eight lanes on both sides to handle the traffic flow during rush hour, and the thought of pouring that much asphalt is mind-boggling.

Indeed, we've got to come up with another solution, and that is mass transit.

This will require a change in the line of thought at the state Department of Transportation and within the road-building industry. State leaders must turn their minds from one form of transportation to a new one --- the type that can carry hundreds or thousands of people quickly --- and contractors must shift their operations to incorporate light rail or other means of transportation.

Funding will likely have to come from federal and state sources because the expense will be so great, though taxpayers could eventually save money. And the result should be so enticing that commuters will want to leave their cars behind and board this new means of getting to work.

Look at it like this: No longer will commuters have to worry about someone cutting them off at an interstate ramp, and they'll avoid the spot where I-40 and I-24 merge in Nashville, one of the most dangerous areas in Middle Tennessee. Even better, though, they won't get stuck behind wrecks that take an hour or more to clear while they miss dinner with the family or Junior's ball game.

It's certainly something to consider, and its time is now.
Transit study meets first hurdle: Regional apathy  


Ask any of the 25,000 Murfreesboro-to-Nashville commuters and they'll likely tell you that, even on the best day, the 30-mile commute can take over an hour. Factor in wrecks or foul weather and an hour turns into an optimistic estimate.

The Metropolitan Planning Organization has kicked off a study of mass transit options that could alleviate that congestion, but some who presumably would benefit say gridlock isn't a concern.

"We're lucky. We've got our work force, and many of our employees live in the area," says Frank Limpus, spokesman for Nissan, which employs 6,000 people in Middle Tennessee.

Limpus says he doesn't anticipate company officials will take an active role in the one-year, $800,000 Southeast Corridor High Capacity transit study. Transportation "isn't really a factor" for Nissan's employees, he says.

"It seems like it's more critical for companies in Nashville trying to get employees in," says Limpus.

The southeast corridor, which includes LaVergne and Smyrna, is home to a host of high-traffic destinations. In recent years, the area has become a magnet for manufacturing operations and distribution centers, many with large numbers of employees and sizable truck traffic.

But the limited interest in mass transit isn't unique to Nissan. The Nashville International Airport is included in the study as a commuter destination in the corridor, but "I don't think (the study) will really affect us," says Butch Gelband, manager of planning for the Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority. "Nashville is a regional airport: We have traffic coming down from Kentucky and up from Alabama."

Neither of those routes, says Gelband, intersects with the southeast corridor, adding that he knows of no plans to connect the airport with a mass transit system.

Fred Contreras, director of human resources at Whirlpool in La Vergne, says his company's workers are accustomed to heavy traffic. But although the majority of Whirlpool's employees - 1,800 during peak times - commute from Murfreesboro, he's not sure they are ready to embrace mass transit.

"There's an independence issue. Many of our people are on time-sensitive schedules, and I'm not sure they would want to take the risk of being late to daycare if they miss the bus or the train," Contreras says.

"Unless it takes them to the doorstep," mass transit will be a tough sell to his employees, he adds.

Dana Richardson, Murfreesboro's traffic director, says transit officials must be willing to shore up operations.

"We're looking at local transit and how you get mass transit riders to and from the stations," he says. "The supporting systems..."
Exhibit A-2. Continued


on both ends need to be strong."

Since the mid-1980s, public officials have studied and proposed a variety of transit options for Middle Tennessee, and since then, they've met with little enthusiasm.

"We are creatures of habit when it comes to our automobiles," says former Congressman Bob Clement, a longtime advocate for mass transit and current vice chair of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce's transportation committee.

He says several perceptions contribute to the blasé attitude toward light rail, short-track train systems and expanded bus routes.

"Some of it has to do with people thinking we won't ride it, some has to do with people saying it's too expensive," he says.

There's no question that installation of any mass transit system is costly. According to Metro, a mass transit industry magazine, Memphis' light rail system will cost an estimated $75 million, while Louisville's may cost as much as $671 million.

But the price tag gets higher the longer we wait, Clement says.

"It takes years to implement a mass transit system. I don't want Nashville to be like Atlanta, which almost came to a standstill," says Clement, noting that city's notorious traffic clogs. "We can't afford to have (lack of transit options) hinder our progress."

Richardson concurs.

"At what point is this a viable system? There are trade-offs. You can only widen the interstate so much, and that's not cheap, either," he says.

"Maybe you reassign funds. Instead of adding another lane, you use that money for mass transit," Richardson says.

Despite others' reservations, Clement is convinced a mass transit system is crucial to the area's continued success.

"Europe and Asia are far ahead of us on this," he says. "Trains, buses, carpools - when you make it available, people will use it."

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What's the future for getting from Rutherford to Nashville?

By JAMES EVANS
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MURFREESBORO — Heather Gauldin would be interested in any improvements to make trips to Nashville easier.

The 22-year-old lives in Murfreesboro with her parents and works part time here, but makes daily trips to Nashville where she is a student at Belmont University.

"It's horrific," Gauldin said of the traffic on Interstate 24. "All it takes is one accident and you're delayed."

Like Gauldin, thousands of drivers make the trip between Rutherford and Davidson counties every day, and planners want to hear from as many of them as possible.

Those planners are with the Metro Planning Organization, a group that studies and recommends transportation options for Nashville and its surrounding counties. The group has launched what is expected to be a yearlong study of the major roads connecting Rutherford and Davidson, which is known as the southeast corridor.

"What we're going to basically do is..."
Exhibit A-2. Continued.

look at all the possible transit solutions to the congestion problems and all the other problems in the corridor between Nashville and Murfreesboro. That includes La Vergne and Smyrna," said Jim McAteer, project manager.

The study kicks off with public input sessions starting Monday at Smyrna's Town Centre, 100 Sam Ridley Parkway, from 4-7 p.m. A second meeting will be held at the Rutherford County Courthouse in Murfreesboro on Tuesday at the same time.

A third meeting will be held at the Nashville Downtown Library, 615 Church St., from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday.

On the table is a host of ideas ranging from low-impact options such as minor improvements to I-24 and Murfreesboro Road to more costly mass transit options, such as a commuter rail line, according to MPO's initial study guidelines. But McAteer said the main focus will be on mass transit alternatives and determining where stations should go if a system is built.

Between 91,000 and 133,000 cars travel I-24 daily and Murfreesboro Road handles between 20,600 and 37,400 each day, according to estimates from MPO.

Gauldin favors a commuter rail system and said she would definitely use it if constructed.

"It would make it easier," Gauldin said.

The study will be guided by public and government input, McAteer said. When the study is complete, a recommendation will be made to the Regional Transportation Authority, which will be in charge of implementing any changes.

"The MPO does the long-range planning and the RTA does the implementation," McAteer said.

The final recommendation will pick the option that is the most cost-effective, meets state and federal regulations and gains approval of residents and county leaders, McAteer said.

After this week's public meetings, planners will begin collecting data on traffic flow in the corridor and will establish goals for the remainder of the
study, McAteer said.

Other public input meetings will be in September, said Keith Britt, who is handling public relations for the study. Additional meetings will be held after September, as well, but a schedule hasn't been set, Britt said.

For those who can't attend the public meetings, letters can be sent by mail or e-mail to McAteer at his Nashville office through Aug. 14. McAteer can be contacted by phone at 615-862-7204, by e-mail at micateer@nashvillempo.org or by mail at 730 Second Ave. S., Nashville, TN 37201.

What's the difference?

Three types of mass transit options are being discussed for travel between Rutherford and Davidson counties. Here's the key differences between the alternatives:

**Bus Rapid Transit**

Buses use dedicated express lanes in high-congested areas to speed up commute time. The system can include signal controls that give buses priority at traffic lights. Bus rapid transit also costs less to implement than light rail and commuter rail because fewer infrastructure improvements are needed, planners say.

**Light Rail**

Short sets of lightweight rail cars, usually only one or two, operate on fixed rails in the right-of-way that is not separated from other traffic for much of the way. The cars are driven electrically with power from an overhead electric line. More frequent stops are possible, depending on how the system is designed.

**Commuter Rail**

Urban passenger train that carries passengers between a central city and the outlying areas. It is not intended for travel within a city, only trips between stations throughout the route.

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The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), in cooperation with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), is holding an **Agency Scoping Meeting** for the purpose of considering transit improvements in the Southeast Corridor and to receive your agency or organization’s input during the early phases of this transportation improvement study. *We hope you or your representative can attend.* The Agency Scoping Meeting will be held as follows:

**Wednesday, July 14, 2004**  
Nashville Downtown Library,  
615 Church Street, Conference Room 1  
Nashville, Tennessee 37219  
1:30 to 3:30 p.m.  
A presentation will begin at 1:45, followed by a question-and-answer session. The presentation may be repeated at 2:45 if so requested by attendees arriving after the 1:45 presentation.

If you are unable to attend the Agency Scoping Meeting, three Public Scoping Meetings will be held as follows:

1. **Monday, July 12, 2004**, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at **Smyrna Town Centre**,  
   100 Sam Ridley Parkway, Smyrna, Tennessee 37167. Presentations, followed by Question-and-Answer Sessions, will occur at 4:15, 5:15 and 6:15 p.m.

2. **Tuesday, July 13, 2004**, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the **Rutherford County Courthouse**, Courthouse Square, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130. Presentations, followed by Question-and-Answer Sessions, will occur at 4:15, 5:15 and 6:15 p.m.

3. **Wednesday, July 14, 2004** from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the **Nashville Downtown Library**, 615 Church Street, Conference Room 1, Nashville, Tennessee 37219. A presentation will be given at 11:15 and repeated at 12:15, with Question-and-Answer Sessions following each presentation.

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AGENCY SCOPING MEETING

PROJECT SUMMARY
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT STUDY
NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE

The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in cooperation with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is undertaking a study of transportation improvements called the Southeast Corridor High Capacity Transit Study. The purpose is to study potential transit systems that could be built in the corridor between Nashville and Murfreesboro. Based on the existing pattern of roads, homes, retail, commercial, and industrial development in the study area, the MPO anticipates that any type of transit system will require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which will be prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

NEPA requires that “scoping” be conducted very early in the planning process. The term *scoping* means a process by which interested individuals, organizations, and stakeholders, along with federal, state, and local agencies, can provide input into project planning. This input will help guide the study and ensure an open planning process.

Under the scoping process for the Southeast Corridor, the MPO and FTA invite any interested individuals or organizations to participate in determining the project’s purpose, and identifying the range of alternatives and how the analysis should be performed. The public is invited to comment on the types of alternatives to be considered; the different technologies to be evaluated; possible locations for the roadway or tracks, including station locations; and what other types of things should be considered such as the environmental, social, or economic impacts. In addition, the MPO and FTA hope to get ideas on how best to evaluate the many options and choose the best transit solution (also called the Locally Preferred Alternative) for the study area. Comments at this stage of the study should focus on the transportation issues and what type of transit alternatives to study. If you have a preference for a particular type of transit, such as light rail or bus rapid transit, you should express these opinions during the comment period for the Draft EIS, which will be prepared sometime after the Southeast Corridor Transit Study is complete. The Draft EIS will include an analysis of the social, economic and environmental impacts of the type of transit selected during this process as the Locally Preferred Alternative.

Southeast Corridor High Capacity Transit Study Background

The MPO is a multi-county agency responsible for transportation planning in Davidson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson counties. The MPO has adopted plans for a high capacity transit system to operate in the five corridors radiating outward from downtown Nashville. The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), the agency charged with construction and operation of this system, is about to begin construction of the East Corridor between Nashville and Lebanon. The other four corridors will connect Nashville with the cities of Murfreesboro, Gallatin, Kingston Springs, and Franklin.
Current Study

The focus of this scoping process is the Southeast Corridor that connects Nashville to Murfreesboro. The region generally follows the Murfreesboro Road and Interstate 24 (I-24) corridor. The study’s purpose is to examine the high capacity transit alternatives best suited for this corridor. It is important to gather input early in the process from the public, governmental entities and other stakeholders. There will be additional opportunities for public comment throughout the study.

The MPO and its consultant team have started to review and evaluate transportation options, possible routes or alignments, and station locations, as well as costs, funding, ridership, economic development, land use, engineering feasibility, and environmental concerns.

Description of the Corridor

The Southeast Corridor links Nashville in Davidson County with LaVergne, Smyrna and Murfreesboro in Rutherford County, all of which are within the MPO’s area of responsibility for transportation planning. This is an active corridor with many high traffic destinations such as employment centers, commercial and retail developments, educational institutions and housing.

Nashville is the fastest growing metropolitan area in Tennessee with a central city population of approximately 570,000. The central business district is home to the state capitol, numerous state office buildings and the Tennessee Titans football stadium, all of which attract visitors from across the state. In addition, approximately 132,000 residents commute daily to Nashville for work with about 25,000 traveling from Rutherford County. Murfreesboro, which is about 30 miles from Nashville, is the southernmost terminus of the study corridor. Murfreesboro, which has a population of approximately 75,000, is home to Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU). The university has an enrollment of about 21,000 students. However, only 3,500 students live on the campus. The remaining 17,500 students are day students traveling to Murfreesboro or live in the surrounding area. Smyrna has a population of approximately 25,600, and LaVergne has an approximate population of 18,700. The estimated population along the corridor is 260,050.

The primary north-south thoroughfares within the corridor are Murfreesboro Road, also known as US 41/70S, and Interstate 24 (I-24). This corridor experiences heavy traffic congestion during rush hour periods. In fact, the 30-mile segment of I-24 between Murfreesboro and Nashville handles between 91,000 and 133,000 cars per day, depending on the area. Murfreesboro Road averages between 20,600 and 37,400 annual daily trips.

Several of the potential commuter destinations along the corridor include the Nashville International Airport, MTSU, major employers such as Dell Computer, and downtown Nashville, as well as regional shopping malls, commercial services, office parks, and hospitals. LaVergne and Smyrna form a major employment area known as “Interchange City,” which is home to a Nissan manufacturing plant, Bridgestone Tire Company and other major industries.
Few options exist in the corridor that would provide alternatives to driving in heavily congested conditions. Improvements are needed to address traffic volumes and congestion that are increasing every year. The study will examine transportation options, potential routes or alignments, bus or rail station locations, cost, funding, ridership, economic development, land use, engineering feasibility, and environmental concerns. The MPO also will evaluate transportation improvement options that do not involve significant capital investment.

**Alternatives**

The scoping meetings, additional community meetings and written comments from stakeholders will be a major source of data in considering the transit alternatives. Initially, the transportation alternatives proposed for consideration in the Southeast Corridor include:

4. **No Action Alternative:** An alternative would be developed based on projects included in the regional transportation improvement plan (TIP) and the financially-constrained long-range transportation plan, with no new transportation services or facilities in the area beyond already committed projects.

5. **Transportation System Management Alternative:** A *low-cost* alternative that would include minor improvements to intersections, traffic signals, demand management and system management programs, bus services and facilities and other modifications to the transportation system that can be made without major investments in infrastructure or equipment.

6. **Build Alternatives:** Three alternatives will be developed, combining various types of major investments to meet the travel needs of the corridor. These "build" alternatives most likely would include the development of busway or bus rapid transit, light rail transit, and/or commuter rail transportation options along various existing rights-of-way in the corridor.

Based on public and agency input received during scoping, variations of the above alternatives and other transportation-related improvement options will be considered for the Southeast Corridor. The MPO and FTA hope that you will provide comments on the Southeast Corridor Alternatives Analysis. Comments may be submitted orally or in writing at the Scoping Meetings, or by e-mail or mail on or before August 14, 2004 to:

| Jim McAteer, Transit Planner,  |
| Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization  |
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| Phone 615-862-7204, Fax 615-862-7209, e-mail mcateer@nashvillempo.org. |

A map of the project corridor is included on the next page.
Exhibit C-2. Continued.
Project Overview
- Long Range Plan – Develop 5 transit corridors connecting Nashville to the rest of the region.
- East Corridor = First Spoke
  - Commuter Rail Chosen
  - Constructed and operated by RTA
- Other 4 corridors will connect Nashville to:
  - Murfreesboro, Smyrna, LaVergne
  - Gallatin, Hendersonville
  - Franklin, Brentwood
  - Kingston Springs, Belleview

Project Overview
- This study will look at transportation options between Nashville, LaVergne, Smyrna, Murfreesboro
- Compare costs, benefits, and impacts
- Result – Recommend a solution that is cost effective and has been decided with local citizen and government input.

What This Is About
- Developing Future Transit Improvements in the Southeast Corridor (Nashville-Smyrna-LaVergne-Murfreesboro)
- Gathering your input and ideas on the way you would like to use the system.
  - What parts of town?
  - How often?
  - What kind of trips?
  - What time of day?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Process
Margaret Slater,
Parsons Brinckerhoff

The Southeast Corridor High Performance Transit Alternatives Study
Tim Rosenberger,
Parsons Brinckerhoff

Alternatives Analysis
- Initial Step of Developing Major Transportation Investments
- Identifies Needs and Goals
- Develops Alternatives
- Analyzes Alternatives
- Selects Locally Preferred Alternative
- Develops Financial and Implementation Plan
Exhibit E. Text from PowerPoint Presentation

FTA Project Development Process

Project Study Area

Corridor Attractions
- Downtown Nashville
- Vanderbilt/West End
- LaVergne
- Smyrna
- Murfreesboro
- Nashville International Airport
- Nissan
- Dell
- MTSU
- Starwood Amphitheater
- Interchange City
- Hickory Hollow Mall
- Hospitals

Project Need and Goals
- Expand Mass Transit Options
- Address Traffic Congestion
- Address Land Use
- Environmental Effects
- Use Transportation Funding Efficiently

QUESTION: Are there other unmet transportation needs in the corridor?

Potential Alternatives: Transit Modes
- Transit Mode: Vehicle and Improvements to right-of-way (ROW)
- Local Bus
- Express Bus
- Commuter Bus
- High-Performance Transit
  - Light Rail
  - Commuter Rail
  - Bus Rapid Transit

Local Bus
- Basic Transit Service
- Large, Standard Bus
- Frequent Stops
- Relatively Low Speed
Exhibit E. Text from PowerPoint Presentation

Express Bus
- Faster service for longer trips
- Less frequent stops, higher travel speed
- May use special bus fleet
  - Diesel-Electric Hybrid Vehicles
  - Upgraded Amenities

Commuter Bus
- Primarily for Suburb to Downtown work trips
- Few stops, high speed
- Sometimes operates only during rush hour

Commuter Rail
- Rail operating on existing railroad tracks
- Infrequent stops, high travel speed
- Primarily for longer-distance trips

Light Rail (LRT)
- Electric rail operating in traffic, or on exclusive ROW with crossings
- Serves short trips downtown, longer trips outside

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
- Wide range of improvements to enhance bus performance
- Improved station amenities, vehicles
- May feature dedicated right-of-way

Other Modes
- Heavy Rail (Subway)
- Historic Trolley/Streetcar
- Monorail/AGT
- High-Speed Rail
Exhibit E. Text from PowerPoint Presentation

Transit Facilities
- Bus Stop Improvements
- Transit Centers
- Park-Ride Lots
- Transit Stations
- BRT Improvements

Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)
- Compact Development
- Buildings Oriented to Support Pedestrians, Transit
- Increases Transit Efficiency

Alignments
- I-24
  - HOV Lane
  - New Alignment
- US 41/70S (Murfreesboro Rd)
- CSX Rail Line
- Other or New Alignments
- Combinations

Phases of Analysis

Next Steps for the Study
- FTA Approvals
  - Scope of Work
  - Goals & Objectives, Purpose & Need
- Development of “Sketch” Alternatives
- Public Forums-September 2004

Future Steps for the Corridor
- Extensive Public Involvement Throughout Process
- Requires Local Approval and Funding
- Must be a Major Regional Priority for Implementation

Future Steps for the Corridor
- Completion of Alternatives Analysis
- Completion of Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Preliminary Engineering
- FTA Funding Grant Agreement
  - Demonstrably Efficient Transportation Benefit
  - Local Funding
  - Local Land Use Consistency
- Construction and System Startup

Your Questions, Comments and Suggestions
For more information: www.setransitstudy.com
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Exhibit F. Comment Form from Agency Scoping Meeting (Same form used for public meetings.)

Nashville Area MPO

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN
July 12, 13, 14, 2004

Please provide the following information:
Name: Stuart Johnson, Superintendent, Nat’l Battlefield
Address: 8501 Old Nashville Hwy
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37219

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [X] No

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: stuart.johnson@nps.gov

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- Improvements to Local Bus Service
- Commuter Rail Service
- Bus Rapid Transit Service [X]
- Express or Commuter Bus Service
- Light Rail Transit Service
- Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: Will likely need to combine different types of service

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Visitor/Tourist sites within the corridor, such as Stones River Nat’l Battlefield

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Since portions of the Battlefield are adjacent to CSX and Murfreesboro Road, would be very concerned about adverse impacts to the Battlefield

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Would be ideal if visitors to Stones River could access the Battlefield without bringing their vehicles

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet.)

Please return to a MPO representative tonight. If you are unable to complete the comment form tonight, please mail or fax your form by August 14, 2004 to

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### SIGN-IN SHEET
Southeast Corridor High Capacity Transit Alternatives Study - Scoping Meeting; July 14, 2004 Public

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Exhibit H. Comment Form Summary—Public Scoping Meetings

SUMMARY OF COMMENT SHEETS

The following is a summary of the input from scoping meeting participants that was received through the comment sheets distributed to each meeting attendee.

1. Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?

100% of the commenters requested to receive additional information and/or subsequent meeting announcements.

2. What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- Improvements to local bus service
- Commuter rail service
- Bus Rapid Transit Service
- Express or commuter bus service
- Light rail transit service
- Other types of transit service

Most of the participants provided more than one answer. Of the responses received, the interest was evenly dispersed between rail and bus services. Specific responses included:

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3. What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

- Noise
- Air pollution
- Should have connections from main route
- Cost to taxpayers
- Accessibility is important
- Must be user friendly
- Convenient parking at stations is important
- Will the public use it?
- Put transit on both I-24 and US-41
- Getting close to destinations is important
- Service should be quick, clean and frequent
- No adequate marketing
- No real community commitment
- Must run on time
- Must be accessible to disabled
- It will never be built
- Should be bike friendly
- Frequency of service important
4. Other comments or ideas about the transit study? (verbatim comment):

- “Charge people to ride the rail, contract with a private company to run the rail.”
- “Long range planning like this is a must, education and ease of use is vital.”
- “I personally prefer light rail or buses with dedicated lanes for buses. Express buses can’t be express when they are stuck in traffic, which is what happens now.”
- “My concerns are environmental and personal. The transit options should reduce emissions and pollution significantly. The system should be comfortable enough to accommodate business travelers.”
- “Murfreesboro needs local bus service with a modern (not trashy) terminal to help feed the system.”
- “I think it would be most advantageous to have the Nashville Airport as a station, a big mistake to not have it.”
- “I believe commuter trains are the best all around alternative because of their lower overall startup cost and greater speed.”
- “We need many region-wide, extensive seminars/meetings about this that involves multiple constituencies. I worry that the hard issues are not being discussed sufficiently.”
- “Please include a plan to gain serious support from our congressional delegation (House & Senate) for earmarking federal funds.”

Comments summarized for the MPO by Ackermann Public Relations
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NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN
July 12, 13, 14, 2004

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jerry Visocky
Address: 1176 Gresham Ln
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? International
Airport

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
noise, air, etc. pollution, safety ☑ connections from the "main" service route to end point or destinations - ability to get to final destinations from major stops.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: **CHUCK BOYETT**
Address: **315 S. LOWRY**
City, State, Zip Code: **NASHVILLE, TN. 37207**

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Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: **Pedestrian & bicycle accessibility within 1 mile radius.**

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
**NISSAN, SYRCA AIRPORT, DOWNTOWN NASHV. SHOPPING CENTERS, HCA HOSPITAL**

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
**COSTS, ACCESSIBILITY, USER FRIENDLY**

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
**I AM VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS EFFORT AND WOULD BE WILLING TO ASSIST IN NASHVILLE (AS CITY ENGINEER DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS) IF I CAN HELP IN ANY WAY.**

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☑ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:_____________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Medical centers, malls, entertainment venues ie - BCE, Titans stadium, __________________________________________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? None
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Yes [ ] No [x]

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Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Yes ☑ No __

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☐ Commuter Rail Service ☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: __________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Riverfront Park, Hickory Hollow, Sun Valley Ply, I-40

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

Murfreesboro, Smyrna, Lebanon

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

The use of I-24

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Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes X No __

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Other: ________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Stonecrest/Moakley/Smy Airport
Mtsu, Nissan, Interchange City in Lebanon, Starwood, Hickory Hollow,
Dyersland area, Baptist hospital area, Dell, Nash Airport, Vanderbilt U. area

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? I am concerned that the service be able to take people very close to their destination unless there is a "depot" with easy access to multiple points of interest.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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Yes ☑ No ___

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☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Hickory Hollow, Downtown Nashville, Smyrna, Murfreesboro, LaVergne, Nashville Airport. Possibly Nissan & LaVergne's Industrial Area.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ________________________________________________________________
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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
□ Improvements to Local Bus Service  □ Express or Commuter Bus Service
□ Commuter Rail Service   □ Light Rail Transit Service
□ Bus Rapid Transit Service  □ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: The study should be open to all types

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? MTSY
F M Bar

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Marketing to potential riders

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Albe R. Butler
Address: 1916 Crisp Ln
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☒ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☒ Commuter Rail Service ☒ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
See Attached Comments

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
See Attached Comments

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Re: Nashville Area MPO Public Hearing- Murfreesboro TN

I have ridden on mass transit in New York and surrounding areas; Washington D.C.; BART around San Francisco; Chicago IL and surrounding suburbs; London England and surrounding countryside; Atlanta GA and its surrounding suburbs. Cleveland OH. They each made mistakes and got much of their customer service right.

Also I have driven on Interstate routes from Maine to Miami to Houston and San Antonio, Carlsbad Caverns, Tucson AZ, to Salt Lake City UT, to Yellowstone, to Dallas TX to Kansas City, MO to St. Louis to Indianapolis to Chicago to Dayton and Columbus OH to Cleveland OH, Youngstown OH, Pittsburg to Philadelphia PA, Seattle WA to Medford OR to San Francisco to Los Angeles to San Diego CA. Nashville to Roanoke VA, to Memphis TN, to Chattanooga to Atlanta GA to Savannah GA to Jacksonville and Tampa FL.

Along these routes I have seen the greatest, the good, the poor, the bad and the worst examples of Interstate construction-planning. With the above as my basis I offer the following suggestions for the Southeastern Mass Transit planning:

a. Utilize electric trains for the major trunk routes. This will avoid the smog and pollutants that busses emit. The San Francisco BART found this to also be a quieter solution when going thru neighborhoods.

b. Busses in dedicated Bus lanes between Interstate routes would just cause more congestion at station exits. This increases safety hazards already faced by interstate travelers.

c. Parallel existing rail lines but up on elevated piers. They came down for stations. In San Francisco proper they buried some of the lines as you may have to in Nashville to serve the stadium, riverfront, State Office and Capitol Buildings.

d. The trunk line should extend on southeast to Bell Buckle, Wartrace, Normandy and Tullahoma. People from Tullahoma and in between commute daily to Murfreesboro, Smyrna, La Vergne and Nashville. Conversely people commute from all of these and Lebanon to Arnold Air Force Base at Tullahoma.

e. In the Murfreesboro Area Main line stops should be established at:
   1. Thompson Lane with a feeder line going to the three Seigel Schools thence down Regency Park Drive to Haynes back to Thompson Lane back to the station thence south along
Thompson to The new Medical complex and Hospital; then continue along Thompson La to Wal-mart and the mall, Across Old Fort with stops at the major businesses and then across I-24 to Cason Lane, Left on River Rock thru the Verizon Lot, past Old Pottery around behind and alongside the Regal Movie Theater, thence back on Cason Lane to go left past Kroger and Kohls to SAM’s Club back to Thompson Lane to the main line stop with stops along the route including the Medical complex.

2. We should look at the multi station routes in Atlanta GA in developing a responsive transit system for Murfreesboro.

3. From the Thompson Lane stop another feeder could go SE on Broad to Northfield, stopping in the Kroger plaza thence along Northfield to Memorial and on to TN96 Lascassas Pike to Tennessee Blvd to MTSU. Continue on Tennessee Blvd to East Main out to Rutherford Blvd. Thence back to Northfield and returning out on Broad St to the Thompson LN stop.

4. Establish a stop at the old Rail Station with plenty of parking Hub routes to MTSU, The Mall and Cason Lane as above.

5. Establish a hub route out memorial stopping at the VA hospital, on out to Walter Hill and back thru Sulphur Springs Road to Memorial Thence back to the Hub station

6. Establish a hub route that would go to LasCassas and points in between with a swing by MTSU Thence back to the Hub thence out Old Fort to St Rt 99 and out to Eagleville and return.

7. Establish a Citizen advisory groups to work out the route needs around each of Murfreesboro, Smyrna and La Vergne.
Please provide the following information:

Name: Steven Henry
Address: 5399 Colton Creek Rd.
City, State, Zip Code: Ashland City, TN 37015

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Yes ___ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- [ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
- [ ] Commuter Rail Service
- [x] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [x] Express or Commuter Bus Service
- [x] Light Rail Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: __________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Tricia Griggs
Address: 2416 21st Avenue South, Suite 100
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37212

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
[ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below) Other: all of the above

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Everyone, especially people living in Murfreesboro towns and the University

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Service should be accessible to all people - including persons with disabilities.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Timothy Moon
Address: 2416 21st Ave S, Suite 100
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37212

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☑ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ☑ All possible services should be investigated

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

Supra areas where educational institutions are located, areas where health care facilities are located, and other highly traveled areas.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

The cost of the service, as well as the cost to fund the service to the public. Where will the money come from? Are there any federal/municipal funds available to help fund these type projects. The service must be accessible to persons with disabilities.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Mark Welch
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City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [X] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- [X] Improvements to Local Bus Service
- [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
- [ ] Commuter Rail Service
- [X] Light Rail Transit Service
- [ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write in below)
Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? My needs would best be served by stations at MTSU and Vanderbilt. I would also like to see commercial centers included.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? I would really like to see bike friendly trains and greenway connections. I would also like transit time to be rapid ~30 minutes if possible from Murfreesboro to Nashville.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Thomas A Smith
Address: 2822 Florence Rd.
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN, 37129

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☑ No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- ☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service
- ☑ Commuter Rail Service
- ☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
- ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
- ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
- ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? I have an open mind on this, but I would study and plan of them

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? None

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Joe Brown
Address: 3304 Oak Timber Dr
City, State, Zip Code: Antioch TN 37013

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Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: _____________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Downtown | Hawkins Hollow | Smyrna | Murfreesboro |
Airport | Sheppy St. | Beech | BNA, South Hill |

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Park-N-Ride, Frequency or Service - Walk or Other
Comes Does Supplemental

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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Please provide the following information:

Name: **LARRY TRAIL**
Address: **107 N. MAPLE ST.**
City, State, Zip Code: **M'boro, TN.**

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Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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- [ ] Commuter Rail Service
- [x] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
- [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? 
**M'boro, Smyrna, Lavergne**

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? 
**Cost — obtaining public acceptance — use analysis**

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Jared Barrett
Address: 1620 Dodd Trail
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37128

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes X No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☑ Commuter Rail Service ☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? All exits along I-24 make sure it connects to East Corridor Transit System, MTSU

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Not enough people will use it. It won’t be user friendly (i.e. get off at station, difficult to work)

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Ivan G. Weinstein
Address: 3600 Hillsboro Pike Apt C7
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37215

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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[ ] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? [ ] Wave counting
Nashville Shores

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? [ ] Hop Tolls
It will encourage more people to use mass transit instead of their cars

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Emily Kelly
Address: 3420 Mary Ave
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37127

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [ ] No [ ]

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□ Express or Commuter Bus Service
□ Commuter Rail Service
□ Light Rail Transit Service
□ Bus Rapid Transit Service
□ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: ____________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Downtown Nashville to South Rutherford Co. 7 days/week, with early (arriving in Nashville by 6:45 am) and late (leaving Nashville at 5:45 pm). Need several trips per day.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? None

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Chuck Cunningham
Address: 809 E. Bunnahagh Dr.
City, State, Zip Code: Hendersonville, TN 37075

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Yes ☑ No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☑ Commuter Rail Service ☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Coordinate

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Make

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Robert Stevens
Address: 21 Quail Ridge Rd.
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [X] No [ ]

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: Rsteve0523@aol.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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[X] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: _______________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Hospitals, malls, airport (Nashville), MTSU, state capital area, one stop in La Vergne, 2 stops in Smyrna, big employers

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Cost, _____________________________
Where will people park at the stops?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Charge people to ride the rail, contract with a private company to run the rail

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Tom Herbert
Address: 921 Old Smyrna Rd
City, State, Zip Code: Brentwood, TN 37027

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ______ No ______

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☑ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

Major shopping, employment, sports, educational areas.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Lack of public use until traffic is much worse.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Long range planning such as this is a must! Education please.

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Please provide the following information:

**Name:** Carol Sullivan  
**Address:** 500 5th Ave W, #63  
**City, State, Zip Code:** Smyrna, TN 37167

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Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?  
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[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service  
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)  
Other: [ ]

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?  
I-24 corridor and also US-41 (Murfreesboro Road) corridor

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?  
Running the transit on just one of the above I-24, US, Murfreesboro will only serve part of the people. There are a large number of people who travel both of these corridors. Transit needs to be available on both of them.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):  
I personally prefer light rail or buses with dedicated lanes. For Rapid Transit, express buses can be express when they are stuck in traffic, which is what happens now. Consequently, I don't think they are very reliable (Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).  
I prefer as much a schedule.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Catherine Kaczeja
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City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☒ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? major businesses, shopping malls, MTSU, Vanderbilt, airport

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? It should be an improvement that gets people past I-24 gridlock & accidents. It must be quick, clean, frequent, and accessible. To make commuters buses that run in current I-24 traffic are not going to be worth the investment & will not attract ridership.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
My concern is environmental and personal. The transit option should reduce emissions & pollution significantly. The system should be commutable enough to accommodate business travelers.
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Name: Mark Phillips
Address: 511 Independence Way
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN

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Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? MTA downtown, Baptist Hospital, Centennial Hospital, Vanderbilt

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? No adequate advertising or promotion

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Murfreesboro needs local bus service with modern (not trashy) terminal to help feed this system

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Name: Nancy Phillips
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Yes ☑ No __

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☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: __________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
☐ Hickory Hollow (2), Medical Community Nashville (3), Performing Arts Center (4), Children’s Theatre/Fr. School groups

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? I hope we can make a real commitment to a rail line which will serve the future of our community. A real commitment of course means money, but it will take our community into the next millennium.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Fully Support - must be clean & safe and have ease of transfer to city transportation. Should be supported by local bus service in Murfreesboro.

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

Please return to a MPO representative tonight. If you are unable to complete the comment form tonight, please mail or fax your form by August 14, 2004 to

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Eugene Cotey
Address: 723 N Battleford Blvd.
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☑ No __

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: geneący@atl.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☑ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☒ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? __________
• Smyrna - La Vergne
• Airport
• Downtown Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? __________
• None

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

[Handwritten comment]

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Please provide the following information:
Name: GEORGE BENSON
Address: 2214 COON TREE CT
City, State, Zip Code: MURFREESBORO TN 37129

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ___ No ___

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: gbenson@bellsouth.net

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service  ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service  ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service  ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? MURFREESBORO, SMYRNA, LAVERGNE, NASHVILLE DOWNTOWN

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
IT NEEDS TO BE FAST AND RELATIVELY INEXPENSIVE. IT SHOULD RUN ON TIME.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
I BELIEVE COMMUTER TRAINS ARE THE BEST ALL AROUND ALTERNATIVE BECAUSE OF THEIR LOWER OVERALL START UP COST AND GREATER SPEED.
(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Nellie Carter Hall
Address: 627 - Kirkwood Ave.
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37204-2639

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [X] No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service  ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service       ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service  ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Wilson County should be included

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
It would help in our sports activities. Hearing in Nashville

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
We are so slow when it comes to progress. Hopefully it will not take another 40 years to get Light Rail Transit Service.

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

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PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN
July 12, 13, 14, 2004

Please provide the following information:
Name: Roe Elam
Address: 2304 Sharon Lake Dr
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville 37215

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [ ] No [ ]

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: roeeelam@hotmail.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
[ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
[ ] We need many region wide extensive seminars/meetings about this that involves multiple constituencies. I worry that the hard issues are not being discussed sufficiently.

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

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Thanks for your hard work!
Nashville Area MPO

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN
July 12, 13, 14, 2004

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jonathan Grunau
Address: 3737 Ashford Trace
City, State, Zip Code: Antioch TN 37013

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☑

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: daehi7pmup@yahoo.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☒ Commuter Rail Service ☒ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

________________________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

I fear that you won't ever actually build it.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

I'm in favor of any system that does not rely on using the same roads as regular traffic or will otherwise be subject to regular traffic.

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Glenn Littlepage
Address: 3664 Sanford Dr.
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ☑ No

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: glittlepage@mtsu.edu

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☑ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☑ Commuter Rail Service ☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? MTSU, major employers, shopping centers

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? How rail/bus line would be designed to minimize interference with existing roadways + traffic. How to separate busways from other traffic. Cost to riders. How to maintain adequate ridership. Cost to taxpayer

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Whatever system needs to be timely, dependable — needs stations, needs dedicated roadway — railway, needs to have local transportation from key stations

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Timothy Hooper / RIA
Address: 501 Union St, 6th Floor
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37219

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [ ] No [ ]

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: theooper@gnece.org

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write in below)

Other: Where is the enforcement of HOV lane hours? Dedicated HOV lane?

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? MTSU Campus, TN Rehabilitation Center (TRC) in Smyrna, and a service loop that covers interchange City Industrial Park in LaVergne.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? The transfer spot along Murfreesboro Rd. at Dell Computers is a very dangerous intersection for foot traffic getting on and off the bus.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

What other funding opportunities/relationships can be developed with BNA Nashville Airport Authority, and MTSU Campus? I checked with the FAA and you can match FAA Federal dollars with other (non-FAA) Federal money to combine your project funding to reach 100%.

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P.S. Please include a plan to gain strong support from our Congressional Delegation (Congress House & Senate) for earmarking Federal dollars.
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SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETINGS NOVEMBER 30, DECEMBER 1 AND 2, 2004

SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY

Nashville Area MPO

January 2005
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I. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to document the public meetings held in November/December 2004. Six public meetings were conducted over a three day period—November 30, December 1 and December 2, 2004. The materials in this report document the meetings, outreach, and findings of the public involvement effort.

II. PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

Regarding the six public meetings, the public outreach, communications and attendance generation activities prior to the meetings were numerous and comprehensive. The specific activities included:

- Development and production of all background and meeting support materials.
- Placement of required newspaper notification classified ads as well as special display ads in major newspapers and Hispanic language newspapers in the study corridor.
- Coordination and briefing of communications specialists for each city and county in the study corridor.
- Distribution of press releases, media alerts and direct contact with key media to generate additional coverage.

The legal advertisement and press release are in Exhibit A-1 and A-2.

III. MEETING HAND-OUTS

Handouts at the meetings included the following:

1. Project Summary that included project study area map (See Exhibit B-1).
2. Summary of Prior Public Input Received as part of Scoping Meetings (See Exhibit B-2).
3. A Map Series of Alternatives under consideration (See Exhibit B-3).
4. A Project Summary Brochure (See Exhibit B-4).
5. Comment Form (See Exhibit B-5).

IV. MEETING FORMAT

The meetings were “open-house” style,” which made it easy for citizens or agency representatives to come and go at any time during the session. Large printed boards illustrating the draft goals and objectives, different types of transit technologies, study area map, and six alternatives were placed throughout the meeting locations. Visitors could view the boards before and after the presentation and have one-on-one discussions with MPO and Consultant staff. A PowerPoint presentation, given by MPO and Consultant staff, was presented and attendees were invited to ask questions during the presentations. An open question-and-answer (Q&A) session followed the formal presentation. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is included as Exhibit C.
V. PUBLIC MEETINGS

The public meetings held in November/December 2004 and attendees who chose to sign in are as follows:

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A summary of each meeting is below. The sign in sheets are included as Exhibit D and the summary of comment forms received from the public and a copy of each form is included as Exhibit E and Exhibit F.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY, NOVEMBER 30, 2004

Of those in attendance, the following comments/questions were made at the meeting:

- Stick with the I-24 corridor. More bang for your buck over the next 20 years
- Like the idea of Murfreesboro Road, then switch over to I-24 and CSX
- Need to serve the Nissan plant

SOUTHEAST BRANCH LIBRARY, NOVEMBER 30, 2004

Of those in attendance, the following comments/questions were made at the meeting:

- Question about the subsidies needed for transit
- Question about the cost of constructing light rail
- Questions about the speed and noise that LRT produces
- Question about how often trains would run under commuter rail alternative and number of stops

SMYRNA TOWN CENTER, DECEMBER 1, 2004

Of those in attendance, the following comments/questions were made at the meeting:
• Serious consideration needs to be given to using Old Nashville Highway as an alignment. Old Nashville Highway currently is under utilized and under developed.
• Less than 3,000 vehicles a day use Old Nashville Hwy (TDOT counts indicate ADT of 3,000 to 11,000, depending on location on Old Nashville Hwy)
• The Town of Smyrna has requested that TDOT consider constructing a new interchange at Rocky Fork Road and I-24 which would provide an additional point of access to Old Nashville Hwy.

LA VERGNE CITY HALL, DECEMBER 1, 2004

Of those in attendance, the following comments/questions were made at the meeting:

• Murfreesboro Road is already congested (concerned with queue jumping and how it might work)

NASHVILLE DOWNTOWN LIBRARY, DECEMBER 2, 2004

Of those in attendance, the following comments/questions were made at the meeting:

• Question concerning the time of day that service would operate (service hour operations)
• Not enthusiastic about a rail system – very un-American. Do you want this to become another Atlanta? (Transit for yourselves or somebody else?) The only thing the transit would permit is higher density development. Can funding be done with Personal Seat Licenses (PSLs)?
• Would jump at the chance to ride a train
• Have Employment Centers been looked at? Seems as though Davidson County is seeing the out-migration of employment while Rutherford County has the second fastest growth in the state
• Questioned if there were any conceptual cost yet
• Question about whether the service could be built in phases
• Will the East Corridor be taken into account for the model?

BLACKMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, DECEMBER 2, 2004

Of those in attendance, the following comments/questions were made at the meeting:

• Looking at Old Nashville Highway was a good idea
• If I-24 is selected, use the west side – there seems to be more land available
• Need to have feeder buses or some local service to get folks to the stations (east/west service) – for all alternatives
• If Old Nashville Highway is used, switch to CSX right-of-way near Thompson Lane (in Murfreesboro) to avoid CSX underpass
• Need to look at east side of Murfreesboro Road (the Broad Street portion north of the City of Murfreesboro and south of SR840) if Murfreesboro Road alignment is selected – more land is available
• There was a request that the PowerPoint be made available online
In July 2004, the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) began a study of possible high-performance transit improvements along the I-24/Murfreesboro road corridor. The purpose of this project, called the “Southeast Corridor High-Performance Transit Alternatives Study,” is to research potential transit systems (bus rapid transit, light rail, commuter rail, etc.) that could be built in the corridor between Nashville and Murfreesboro.

Throughout this year-long process the public can review the progress of the study and provide comments and suggestions. The MPO hereby gives notice of six (6) public meetings to report on the study findings thus far. This includes transportation options such as commuter rail, light rail and bus rapid transit.

The public meetings will be held as follows:

- **Tuesday, November 30, 2004**
  - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
  - Middle Tennessee State University
  - James Union Building, Tennessee Room
  - 1301 East Main Street
  - Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37132

- **Tuesday, November 30, 2004**
  - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
  - Southeast Branch Library
  - 2325 Hickory Highlands Drive
  - Antioch, Tennessee 37013

- **Wednesday, December 1, 2004**
  - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
  - Smyrna Town Center
  - 100 Sam Ridley Parkway
  - Smyrna, Tennessee 37167

- **Wednesday, December 1, 2004**
  - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
  - La Vergne City Hall
  - 5093 Murfreesboro Road
  - La Vergne, Tennessee 37086

- **Thursday, December 2, 2004**
  - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
  - Nashville Downtown Library - Main Auditorium
  - 615 Church Street
  - Nashville, Tennessee 37219

- **Thursday, December 2, 2004**
  - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
  - Blackman Middle School, Auditorium
  - 3945 Blaze Drive
  - Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37128

Each session will begin with a presentation and have a “question and answer” time afterward. Interested individuals and organizations are encouraged to attend and provide comments on the study findings. The locations of the Public Meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. Any individual with a disability who requires special assistance to participate in the Public Meetings should contact Jim McAteer at the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, 730 2nd Avenue South, Nashville, TN 37201, phone: (615) 862-7204, fax: (615) 862-7209, e-mail: mcateer@nashvillempo.org. For more information about the study see www.setransitstudy.com.
Public Asked to Consider Options and Voice Opinions Regarding the MPO’s Report on Potential Transit Alternatives in the I-24/Murfreesboro Road Corridor

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Residents and travelers of the Southeast Corridor, extending from Nashville to Murfreesboro along I-24 and Murfreesboro Road, will get their first look at some of the potential high-performance transit alternatives currently being studied by the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO is a regional transportation body that includes parts of 7 counties, over twenty cities, and a number of federal and local sponsors and officials. The objective of the study is to examine several feasible transit systems that could help address the transportation problems within the corridor.

The MPO will report on the interim findings and analyses, as well as gather public comment and input for several of the potential transit alternatives that have been identified so far. The year-long study, which began in July 2004 and whose final report is planned for fall 2005, is designed to help the MPO and the region determine a specific transit recommendation that meets the needs of the corridor as determined through local citizen and government input, is cost-effective, and meets federal and state guidelines.

A total of six (6) public meetings will be held. The meeting times and locations are:

Tuesday, November 20, 2004
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. MTSU – James Union Bldg., Tennessee Room
1503 East Main Street, Murfreesboro 37132

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Southeast Branch Library
2325 Hickory Highlands Drive, Antioch 37013

Wednesday, December 1, 2004
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Smyrna Towne Centre
100 Sam Ridley Parkway, Smyrna 37167

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. La Vergne City Hall
5003 Murfreesboro Road, La Vergne 37086

Thursday, December 2, 2004
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Nashville Downtown Library – Main Auditorium
615 Church Street, Nashville 37219

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Blackman Middle School – Auditorium
3045 Blaisdell Drive, Murfreesboro 37128

“The study team has identified a number of options for using commuter rail, light rail, and bus rapid transit in the corridor,” said Jim McAlister, project manager and MPO transportation planner. The study is considering I-24, Murfreesboro Road, and the CSX rail corridor as potential route locations. “At this stage in the process, we’d like to get comments and reactions to the potential transit systems and the proposed location of their routes. This is an important step in the process and we are asking the public to consider the options and voice their opinions regarding the development of new transportation services and facilities in the corridor.”

The next step in the study process will be to perform a more detailed analysis of the alternative that will include an economic analysis and comparisons for how well each alternative meets the needs of the corridor. The details of the analysis will be reported during another set of public meetings, currently slated to be held in February or March, 2005.

For additional information regarding the public meetings, contact Jim McAlister at the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization at (615) 862-7284, e-mail mcalister@nashvillempo.org, or visit the study web site at www.nashvillempo.com.

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B-1. Project Summary

The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is undertaking a study of transportation improvements called the Southeast Corridor High Capacity Transit Study. This study will evaluate the feasibility, costs, benefits, and environmental impacts of a possible high capacity transit system that could operate in the corridor and link Nashville with Lebanon. The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) is the agency charged with the planning and implementation of this project. The project team will begin planning for the project in 2004. The project will continue to be updated as the project moves through the planning process.

Description of the Corridor

The Southeast Corridor links Nashville in Davidson County with Lebanon. This corridor has high traffic volumes due to the number of industries and businesses located in the area. The project team has evaluated the potential for a high capacity transit system to operate in the corridor and link these communities.

Potential Alternatives

Alternatives will be evaluated based on input from the project team, the public, and other interested parties. The project team will consider the following alternatives:

1. No Action Alternative: This alternative would do nothing to address the transportation needs of the corridor. This alternative would include no new transportation services or facilities in the area.
2. Transmission System Alternative: This alternative would include the construction of a transmission system to meet the needs of the corridor. The transmission system would include a network of transmission lines to transport electricity to the communities in the corridor.
3. Build Alternatives: These alternatives include the construction of a new transmission system to meet the needs of the corridor. These alternatives would include the construction of a new transmission system to transport electricity to the communities in the corridor.

The project began in April 2004. The project is expected to be completed and operational by late 2010.
B-2. Summary of Prior Public Input Received

Some commonly expressed comments and questions received at the public meetings are listed below:

- More traffic lanes are not needed in I-24
- Frequency of any transit system selected is very important, given schedules to employees work hours and also consider travel during peak hours
- Travel time is about the travel time for travel should be faster than that of a car
- An alternative travel connection is needed
- More stops to provide access to areas that are beyond walking distance of the stations
- It is important to consider the downtown Nashville area
- A clean and safe system (stations, inside and outside) is important.
- The system should accommodate bikers
- Concerns with alternatives that would allow rail service with CSS. Would CSS approve such a system?
- A wide range of input into the alternative development and selection process is important. Involve government, citizens, academics, large employers.
- Proper local rail or bus, but concern that potential riders may not be interested in riding a bus or train.
- This sounds like it would be a very expensive system. Is there sufficient leadership to support such a system?
- What assurances in terms of transit services are being made?
- How will the project be funded?
- How will people be convinced to get off their cars and ride transit?
- Does high-capacity, high-performance transit reduce congestion?
- How will a preferred transit alternative be selected for this corridor?
- What level of leadership is needed to fund transit?
- Improving the buses and trucks described at the public meetings, consider other options like BRT, roads, electrical facilities, and providing local bus service in Multnomah, and improving DT service.
- The location of park & ride stations is important to the success of any project.
- Will be the Begley/Charleston extension be phased, e.g., phase 1 Evergreen to Nashville East?
- Will the transit system connect with the Jackson Transit system?
B-3. Map Series of Alternatives

(Note – Actual size of handouts were 6 - 11X17 pages)
B-4. Project Brochure

Schedules
The concept is expected to take about 7 years to complete. Public meetings are scheduled for November 20 – December 2, 2014. See our website (www.extrastate.com) for details. A preferred alternative has been identified in January 2015.

Employment Growth
For Middle Tennessee, the Southeast Corridor is the economic engine of Middle Tennessee. This can be felt at the heart of the region and felt in the surrounding communities of Lebanon and Smyrna. Both municipalities provide access to high concentrations of employment within the region. As a result, the region is found to be a major contributor to the economic development of suburban areas and, more importantly, future density targets.

Traffic Congestion
This corridor is one of the key issues in the region due to the increasing demand for transportation. As a result, traffic congestion has become a significant problem in the area.

Traffic Level of Service
Traffic volumes are growing at a rate that is not sustainable. The current infrastructure is unable to handle the expected increase in traffic.

Population Growth
The Southeast Corridor is the fastest growing area in the entire Middle Tennessee region. The Southeast Corridor study area includes the majority of the suburban population, while the central area is expected to see a significant increase in population by 2025.

Project Goals
- Regional Transit System: The Southeast Corridor provides the capability for high-performance, high-capacity, high-speed transit to be implemented in the region. Public meetings are scheduled for November 20 – December 2, 2014. See our website (www.extrastate.com) for details. A preferred alternative has been identified in January 2015.
- Other transportation systems: The Southeast Corridor provides the capability for high-performance, high-capacity, high-speed transit to be implemented in the region. Public meetings are scheduled for November 20 – December 2, 2014. See our website (www.extrastate.com) for details. A preferred alternative has been identified in January 2015.
- Environmental: The Southeast Corridor provides the capability for high-performance, high-capacity, high-speed transit to be implemented in the region. Public meetings are scheduled for November 20 – December 2, 2014. See our website (www.extrastate.com) for details. A preferred alternative has been identified in January 2015.

Traffic Level of Service
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The Southeast Corridor
The Southeast Corridor is a key issue in the region as it relates to the region's ability to support continued economic growth. The current infrastructure is unable to handle the expected increase in traffic. The preferred alternative provides the capability for high-performance, high-capacity, high-speed transit to be implemented in the region.

Lack of Transit Options
The current infrastructure is unable to handle the expected increase in traffic. The preferred alternative provides the capability for high-performance, high-capacity, high-speed transit to be implemented in the region.

Lack of Transit Connections
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B-5. Comment Form

Nashville Area MPO

PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT FORM
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2004

What is your home zip code: ___________ What City/County do you work in: ___________

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor most? (Select One Alternative)
____ Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
____ Alternative 2: I-24 Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)
____ Alternative 3: CSX Alignment, Commuter Rail, Conventional Railroad Equipment
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Why did you select these alternatives as your most and least favorable alternatives?
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
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On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being extremely important, 2 being somewhat important and 3 being not important) what do you think about high capacity transit service being provided to:
____ Downtown Nashville     ____ West End/Church Street area     ____ Nashville International Airport
____ Hickory Hollow Mall   ____Stanwood Amphitheater     ____Middle TN State University (MTSU)
____ Stones River Mall     ____ Other:

Other comments or ideas about this Transportation Alternatives Study or the Regional Rail Program:
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
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(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

Please return to a MPO representative tonight. If you are unable to complete the comment form tonight, please mail or fax your form by December 10, 2004 to

Nashville Area MPO
Jim McAttr, Transit Planner
730 2nd Ave South, Nashville, TN 37201
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e-mail james.mcaatn@nashvillempo.org
Exhibit C. PowerPoint Presentation

Southeast Corridor High Performance Transit Alternatives Study

Public Meetings
November 30 - December 2, 2004

Project Study Area

Key Findings
- Southeast Corridor is fastest growing in the Nashville region
- Corridor roadways face worsening traffic congestion
- Current plans do not provide sufficient roadway capacity or transit options to support future growth

Thanks for Coming!
- Introductions
- Needs and Goals
- What We’ve Heard
- Evaluation Criteria
- Alternatives Under Consideration
- Next Steps
- Your Questions and Comments

Needs and Goals
- Region has 15-year commitment to high-capacity transit
- East Corridor - Open in 2008
- Southeast Corridor Alternatives Study
- Northeast Corridor - Next

Identifying the Need
- Analysis of Existing System, Future Plans
- Comments from the Public
- Recommendations of local leaders, transportation officials

Project Need and Goals
- Expand Mass Transit Options
- Address Traffic Congestion
- Enhance Economic Development
- Address Land Use
- Environmental Benefits
- Use Transportation Funding Efficiently

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Exhibit E. Comment Form Summary

SUMMARY OF COMMENT SHEETS

The following is a summary of the input from meeting participants that was received through the comment sheets distributed to each meeting attendee.

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   Of the completed surveys, the following zip codes were provided as individuals’ place of residency:

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4. Why did you select the alternatives as your "most" and "least" favorable alternatives?
   **Most**
   - “It is a big project to do no matter what alternative is elected – so lets do it right for the generations ahead of us”
   - “Alt. 6 is the most cost effective and serves the largest population”
   - “Alt. 5 has strong land use and redevelopment/TOD potential”
   - “Alt. 1 seems the fastest to work and could offer additional trips for entertainment”

   **Least**
   - “The bus experience is to rough”
   - “Alt. 1 is the least cost effective – not many possibilities for stations (only at I-24 exits)”
5. On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being extremely important, 2 being somewhat important, and 3 being not important) what do you think about high capacity service being provided to:

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Note: Average Score is in bold (individual scores)

6. Other comments or ideas about the transit study? (verbatim comment):

- “If light rail is used, we need to have transportation from train to Church, Broadway, Union, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Avenues"
Exhibit F. Submitted Comment Forms

Nashville Area MPO

PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT FORM
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2004

What is your home zip code: 37086 What City/County do you work in: Nashville, Davidson

Of the alternatives presented which of do you favor "most"? (Select One Alternative)

Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
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Why did you select these alternatives as your "most" and "least" favorable alternatives?

Most favorable: It is a big project to do no matter what alternative is elected - so let's do it right for the generations ahead of us.

Least favorable: The bus experience is too rough.

On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being extremely important, 2 being somewhat important and 3 being not important) what do you think about high capacity transit service being provided to:

1. Downtown Nashville 2. West End/Church Street area 3. Nashville International Airport
4. Hickory Hollow Mall 5. Starwood Amphitheater 6. Middle TN State University (MTSU)
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Other comments or ideas about this Transportation Alternatives Study or the Regional Rail Program:

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What is your home zip code: 37149  What City/County do you work in: Nashville

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor "most"? (Select One Alternative)
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Why did you select these alternatives as your "most" and "least" favorable alternatives?

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- Downtown Nashville
- Hickory Hollow Mall
- Stones River Mall
- West End/Church Street area
- Starwood Amphitheater
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PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT FORM
SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2004

What is your home zip code? [57221] What City/County do you work in: [Davidson]

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor "most"? (Select One Alternative)
✓ Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
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Why did you select these alternatives as your "most" and "least" favorable alternatives?
Most: - Cost effective, serves largest population
Least: - Cost ineffective, not many possibilities for stations (only at I-24 exits)

On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being extremely important, 2 being somewhat important and 3 being not important) what do you think about high capacity transit service being provided to:

1. Downtown Nashville 1. West End/Church Street area 2. Nashville International Airport
2. Hickory Hollow Mall 2. Starwood Amphitheater 2. Middle TN State University (MTSU)
2. Stones River Mall Other:

Other comments or ideas about this Transportation Alternatives Study or the Regional Rail Program:

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What is your home zip code: ______________ What City/County do you work in: ______________

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor "most"? (Select One Alternative)

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Why did you select these alternatives as your "most" and "least" favorable alternatives?

- Coupled directly with land use re-development (TOD)
- Potential which is greater than the other options (i.e. lack of old Nashville ties)
- System more attuned to VRITT (V.R. Transit Trail) and better serves major HRRT (Highway Rapid Rail Transit) corridors

On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being extremely important, 2 being somewhat important and 3 being not important) what do you think about high capacity transit service being provided to:

1. Downtown Nashville
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What is your home zip code: 37127  What City/County do you work in: Davidson C

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Why did you select these alternatives as your "most" and "least" favorable alternatives?
For #1 - It seemed faster to work (could offer additional trips for entertainment).

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Appendix 2C – Summary of Public Meetings
July 17 – 20, 2006
SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETINGS JULY 17-20, 2006

SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY

Nashville Area MPO
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F. Submitted Comment Forms
I. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to document the public meetings held in July 2006. Four public meetings and a policy briefing meeting were conducted over a four day period – July 17 through 20, 2006. The materials in this report document the meetings, outreach, and findings of the public involvement effort.

II. PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

Regarding the five public meetings, the public outreach, communications and attendance generation activities prior to the meetings were numerous and comprehensive. The specific activities included:

- Development and production of all background and meeting support materials.
- Placement of required newspaper notification classified ads as well as special display ads in major newspapers and Hispanic language newspapers in the study corridor.
- Coordination and briefing of communications specialists for each city and county in the study corridor.
- Distribution of press releases, media alerts and direct contact with key media to generate additional coverage.

The legal advertisement, retail advertisement, and press release are in Exhibits A-1, A-2, and A-3 respectively.

III. MEETING HAND-OUTS

The handout for each meeting was a summary of the detailed alternative corridors, including maps of each corridor. A second sheet detailed the various transit options available for each corridor. The handout is included as Exhibit B.

IV. MEETING FORMAT

The meetings were “open-house” style,” which made it easy for citizens or agency representatives to come and go at any time during the session. Large printed boards illustrating the draft goals and objectives, different types of transit technologies, study area map, and six alternatives were placed throughout the meeting locations. Visitors could view the boards before and after the presentation and have one-on-one discussions with MPO and Consultant staff. A PowerPoint presentation, given by MPO and Consultant staff, was presented and attendees were invited to ask questions during the presentations. An open question-and-answer (Q&A) session followed the formal presentation. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is included as Exhibit C.
V. PUBLIC MEETINGS

The public meetings held in July 2006 and attendees who chose to sign in are as follows:

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A summary of each meeting is below. The sign in sheets are included as Exhibit D and the summary of comment forms received from the public and a copy of each form is included as Exhibit E and Exhibit F.

**NASHVILLE CIVIC DESIGN CENTER, JULY 17, 2006**

The following comments were made on sheets collected at the meeting:
- Convincing people to use (a new system). Proper marketing is the key!!

**NASHVILLE DOWNTOWN LIBRARY, JULY 18, 2006**

The following comments were made on sheets collected at the meeting:
- Encouragement of Rutherford Cty communities to develop local commuting options that would connect to the high speed/mass transit system between M’Boro and N-ville.
- Buses/rail should run every 10-15 minutes at travel peak times
- Governments aren’t prepared to develop in ways that make transit options successful

**LA VERGNE CITY HALL, JULY 18, 2006**

The following comments were made on sheets collected at the meeting:
- Investing in light rail now will pay back in the future, long term
- It is necessary that we adamantly communicate to the citizens and government officials of Nashville that importance of a system that is convenient to meeting the city's necessities
RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, JULY 19, 2006

The following comments were made on sheets collected at the meeting:
- Due to gas prices and traffic congestion, I think it will catch on quickly
- What lands would be taken and where will it be?

SMYRNA TOWN CENTER, JULY 20, 2006

The following comments were made on sheets collected at the meeting:
- Concerns with frequency of service (its too low) and ride time (its too long)
- Would like to see service for special events (TPAC, Arena, MTSU)
- Capital and operating costs have to be possible for both initial investment and sustaining operating costs
NOTICE OF MEETING

The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is holding meetings to solicit public input for the Southeast Corridor High-Performance Transit Alternatives Study. Significant congestion occurs on I-24 and Murfreesboro road between Nashville and Murfreesboro, and transit alternatives such as Bus Rapid Transit and Commuter Rail are being explored. Please visit www.ssetransitstudy.com for more information. Four (4) public meetings will be held as follows:

Tuesday, July 18, 2006
12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Nashville Downtown Public Library
Conference Room 1-A
615 Church Street
Nashville, TN 37219
615-862-5727

Tuesday, July 18, 2006
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
LaVergne City Hall
5033 Murfreesboro Road
LaVergne, Tennessee 37086
615-793-6295

Wednesday, July 19, 2006
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Rutherford County Courthouse
Murfreesboro, TN 37130
615-406-7745

Thursday, July 20, 2006
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PUBLIC MEETINGS

Find out how rapid bus transit or commuter rail options may affect your travel from
NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO

• Nashville – 6-8 p.m., Mon. July 17, 2006
  Civic Design Center, Suite 106, 135 2nd Avenue North
• Nashville – 12-2 p.m., Tues. July 18, 2006
  Nashville Downtown Library / Conf. Room 1 615 Church St
• LaVergne – 6-8 p.m., Tues. July 18, 2006
  LaVergne City Hall, 5093 Murfreesboro Road
• Murfreesboro – 6-8 p.m., Wed. July 19, 2006
  Rutherford County Court House
• Smyrna – 6-8 p.m., Thur. July 20, 2006
  Smyrna Town Centre, 100 Sam Ridley Parkway East

Those meetings will present transit alternatives for the Murfreesboro/Nashville corridor followed by public comment sessions with Q & A. Presentations will be repeated as time allows.

For more information, please contact Jim McAteer at (615) 862-7204.
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THE FUTURE OF TRAVEL BETWEEN NASHVILLE AND MURFREESBORO:
Speedy Buses, Speedy Trains, or Just More Lanes?

Proposed Transportation Alternatives to be Discussed at Public Meetings

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (July XX, 2006) – Residents, travelers, and business owners in the
Southeast Corridor from Nashville to Murfreesboro will be given the opportunity to hear results and
provide input on the costs and benefits of several transportation options currently being studied by the
Nashville Area MPO. Several transportation options were evaluated in terms of how well they met the
community needs and how well each performed in terms of cost, number of riders, distance from housing
and jobs, construction costs and environmental concerns.

The transportation planning agency for the Nashville region (the Nashville Area MPO) will hold
four public meetings to share with the public the results of the detailed transportation analyses and to hear
comments on the alternatives studied and the criteria used to evaluate them.

The following four public meetings will include a presentation followed by a question-and-answer
session (presentations will be repeated as needed during allotted time slots):

- Tues. July 18, 12-2 p.m. – Nashville Downtown Library, 615 Church St., Nashville
- Tues. July 18, 6-8 p.m. – LaVergne City Hall, 5093 Murfreesboro Rd., LaVergne
- Wed. July 19, 6-8 p.m. – Rutherford County Courthouse, Murfreesboro
- Thur. July 20, 6-8 p.m. – Smyrna Town Centre, 100 Sam Ridley Parkway, Smyrna

Speedy Buses or Speedy Trains
The study is currently evaluating four transit-based alternatives to improve travel in the corridor.

1. The first alternative includes an expanded bus service along I-24 that would connect transit
stations in Murfreesboro, Rutherford County, Smyrna, LaVergne and various locations in Davidson
County to downtown Nashville. Buses would use a combination of I-24 HOV lanes and dedicated bus-only lanes on Murfreesboro Road to make trips between Murfreesboro and Nashville.

2. A second alternative proposes commuter rail service from Murfreesboro to downtown Nashville, similar to the Music City Star rail service that will soon connect Lebanon and downtown Nashville. The commuter rail service would run on rail tracks constructed next to the existing railroad tracks in the corridor, which are owned by CSX Transportation, Inc.

3. A third alternative proposes Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service on Murfreesboro Road and Old Nashville Pike. BRT is a high-speed bus system that operates within its own travel way, separated from other roadway traffic. This option proposes constructing a combination of single (reversible) and dual bus lanes from Murfreesboro to downtown Nashville.

4. The fourth and final alternative consists of a package of lower cost bus improvements along I-24. The improvements are similar to those included in the first alternative, but would not include the exclusive busway.

These alternatives along with the evaluation process, costs and benefits will be discussed in full detail at each public meeting.

“As we plan for a mobile future, transit must be a consideration we take very seriously,” said Jim McAteer, project manager and MPO transportation planner. “The MPO is especially interested in the public’s comments and response to our analysis of the proposed alternatives.”

All of the meeting locations are accessible to persons with disabilities. Any individual with a disability who requires special assistance to participate in the reporting meetings should contact Mr. Jim McAteer, Transportation Planner, Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, 800 2nd Ave. South, Nashville, TN 37201, Phone 615-862-7204, Fax 615-862-7209. Email mcateer@nashvillempo.org.

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Southeast Corridor
Transit Options

Alternative A: Bus Rapid Transit Service via I-24: Under this alternative, special high-comfort buses traveling from south of Bell Road would use the existing high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes on I-24 (enforcement of the HOV lanes would be increased to ensure congestion-free conditions). Buses would originate in neighborhoods in Smyrna, LaVergne, Rutherford County, Murfreesboro and at MTSU before entering the highway for a high-speed trip downtown. From Bell Road north, buses would operate on a two lane exclusive busway along I-24 to bypass congested traffic. Multiple stations in downtown Nashville would drop passengers off only steps from most major downtown Nashville workplaces. Some trips would continue to Vanderbilt and the West End area.

High speed express bus service would be available from Murfreesboro, Sam Ridley, Waldron, Mt. View and Bell roads, and park-and-ride service would be available from all these locations. Reverse commute service from Nashville would be available to all Stations, including Bell Road, Nissan, LaVergne, Smyrna, Murfreesboro and MTSU.

Alternative B: Commuter Rail along CSX Rail Line: Under Alternative B, Commuter Rail service would serve 9 stations in the Southeast Corridor. The service would provide 16 daily trains on a “skip stop” express pattern to provide high speed service to downtown Nashville from throughout the corridor. The service would operate alongside the existing CSX rail line between Murfreesboro and Nashville, but the degree to which it would use existing CSX track would be subject to negotiation with CSX. The downtown Nashville stop would be at Clement Landport, with bus shuttle service providing distribution throughout downtown Nashville and the West End.

Park and ride lots would be available at all stations south of Bell Road, and shuttle buses would connect rail stations to neighborhoods and activity centers throughout the corridor. Reverse commute service would be available to Nissan, MTSU and other major destinations in the corridor.

Alternative C: Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Road and Old Nashville Pike: Alternative C features a two-lane exclusive busway that would be located in the center or on one side of Murfreesboro Road from downtown Nashville south to Bell Road. A one-lane reversible busway would continue south of Bell on Murfreesboro Road and Old Nashville Pike to south of downtown Murfreesboro. Special high-comfort buses would originate in neighborhoods and activity centers around Murfreesboro Road before making a high-speed express trip to downtown Nashville. There, buses would serve a number of stations in downtown, with some buses continuing to the Vanderbilt-West End area.

All Stations south of Bell Road would feature park-and-ride lots. Reverse commute bus service would provide Nashville residents with service to the Bell Road area, Nissan, MTSU and other employment areas in the corridor.

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Southeast Corridor
High Capacity Transit Alternatives Study
Transit Opportunities for the Nashville’s Southeast Corridor

The Nashville Area’s transportation officials are conducting this study to address the transportation needs of the corridor and to develop transit options to address longer distance travel in the Southeast Corridor. The study is analyzing travel patterns within the corridor, which extends from downtown Nashville and the Vanderbilt/West End area south and east to Murfreesboro. The corridor includes portions of Nashville-Davidson County, LaVergne, Smyrna, Rutherford County, and Murfreesboro.

A network of fixed transit routes serving Middle Tennessee has been planned for more than ten years. A commuter rail line connecting downtown Nashville to Lebanon and Mt. Juliet, east of the city, is set to open in September. The Southeast Corridor is the second corridor to begin the planning process.

The Northeast Corridor, which includes Hendersonville and Gallatin, will be the third corridor to enter into the planning process, beginning this fall.

The Southeast corridor between Nashville and Murfreesboro is the fastest growing portion of the fastest growing Middle Tennessee region. The corridor is expected to add more than 110,000 residents and a large number of new jobs by 2030. Travel in the corridor is a mix of short (under 3 miles) and longer trips. This growth will put a strain on the corridor’s transportation network. Already the most congested corridor in the Nashville Region, traffic congestion during the morning and evening rush hour periods will worsen significantly by 2030.

The purpose of the Southeast Corridor study is to provide alternatives to driving in congested traffic conditions. Today, transit options in the corridor are limited, and for the most part are delayed by traffic congestion. Transit options allow people the choice of riding in comfort rather than driving in congested conditions. With rail or exclusive bus lanes, transit often is faster than driving during rush hour periods. Transit makes more efficient use of our roadway network; the passengers in 100 cars could travel to work in just two buses, or one commuter rail car. And transit saves energy and saves its passengers money. It’s no wonder, in this era of high fuel prices, that Nashville’s transit ridership has gone up 16% in the past year.

The Southeast Corridor study has focused on three main routes between Murfreesboro and downtown Nashville: I-24, Murfreesboro Road (US 40) and the CSX Rail Line. As a result of a suggestion made during the last round of public meetings, Old Nashville Pike has been added as a fourth option in the southern half of the corridor.

The study team focused on three types of transit improvements:

Commuter Rail: in which locomotives pull passenger rail cars on a conventional rail line. The Nashville Star line that will soon open to Lebanon is an example.

Light Rail: similar to the old streetcars, light rail uses electrically-powered cars, that can operate in 2-4 car trains. Power comes from overhead wires.

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT): buses operated over an exclusive roadway, signal pre-emption and other advantages to allow them to bypass congested road traffic. Bus rapid transit improvements can range from a fully exclusive busway to lanes dedicated to bus traffic only during rush hour periods.

The study team also considered subways or elevated railways and other forms of rail transit, but these were determined to be too costly and poorly suited to the travel needs of the corridor. After studying an initial list of transportation alternatives, the study team determined that light rail is not well suited to cost-effectively serving the corridor’s transportation needs.
Exhibit C. PowerPoint Presentation

**Southeast Corridor High Performance Transit Alternatives Study**

Policy Briefing
July 17, 2006

**Transit in the Southeast Corridor**
- Project Update
- Description of Evaluation Process
- Initial Evaluation
- Detailed Evaluation
- Next Steps

**Project Update**
- Delay due to on-board survey
- Detailed Screening
- Development of Preferred Alternative: August 2006
- Next Round of Public Meeting: September-October 2006
- Selection of Preferred

**Needs and Goals**
- 15-year commitment to high-capacity transit
- East Corridor - Open September 2006
- Southeast Corridor - Alternatives Study
- Northeast Corridor - Next

**Project Study Area**

**Project Purpose**
Provide alternatives to driving in congested conditions in Southeast Corridor
Demographic Analysis

- Corridor population and employment will grow substantially
- Residences and jobs will be more dispersed

Traffic Congestion - Murfreesboro Road

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Needs Assessment Results

- Traffic congestion will worsen significantly
- Few transit alternatives to driving in congested conditions
- Travel patterns are mixed—improvements must support both longer-distance and

What We Have Heard

- 400+ Visitors to Public Meetings and Forums
- Interviews with more than 20 Key Regional Leaders
- Input from the public through phone, e-mail, Web Site

What We Have Heard

- Need for Transit Options
- Skepticism that Nashville will Use Transit – “Car Town,” Rural Lifestyle
- Enthusiasm for Rail
- Need for “Cost-Realistic” Options
Making More Capacity

- Average passengers in a commuting automobile: about 1.1
- Seated capacity of a commuter bus: 50
- Seated capacity of a commuter rail car: 135 (can operate in up to 4 car trains)

Vehicle Capacity

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Evaluation of Alternatives

Three Step Evaluation Process

- Initial Screening of Alternatives: Project Need and Goals, Order-of-Magnitude Costs
- Detailed Screening of 3 Alternatives: Detailed Costs, Feasibility Estimates
- Final Evaluation of Alternative: Comparison of Alternative to Baseline

Evaluation of Alternatives

- Project Goals and Objectives
- Federal Transit Administration
  - “New Starts” Evaluation Measures
    - Capital Investment Costs
    - Operating Costs
    - User Benefits
    - Land Use
    - Financial Feasibility

Options

Alignment
- The road, rail line or other right of way along which the transit service would run

Transit Mode
- The combination of vehicle type and guideway

Options

Alignments
- Murfreesboro Rd.
- I-24
- CSX Railroad
- Old Nashville Pike (added after initial screening)

Transit Modes
- Commuter Rail
- Light Rail
- Bus Rapid Transit
- Heavy Rail (subway-elevated)
- High-speed rail
**Alignment**
- I-24
  - HOV Lane
  - New Alignment
- CSX Rail Line
- US 41/70S (Murfreesboro Rd)
- Old Nashville Pike (Added after initial screening)
- Combinations

**Commuter Rail**
- Rail operating on existing railroad tracks
- Infrequent stops, high travel speed
- Primarily for longer-distance trips

**Light Rail (LRT)**
- Electric rail operating in traffic, or on exclusive ROW with crossings
- Serves short trips downtown, longer trips outside

**Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)**
- Wide range of improvements to enhance bus performance
- Improved amenities, vehicles
- May feature dedicated ROW
Selected Modes for Initial Screening
- Commuter Rail, Bus Rapid Transit, Light Rail were retained as applicable to this corridor
- Heavy Rail (subway/elevated rail), Monorail, high speed rail were determined to be inapplicable

Initial Screening Alternatives
- Six alternatives (mode and alignment combinations)
- Light rail, commuter rail, bus rapid transit, BRT “Light”
- Optional Airport alignments
- Analyzed based on project goals to identify relative strengths and weaknesses

Initial Screening Alternatives
1-24
- Light Rail or Bus Rapid Transit
- BRT Light “Light”
- CSX
- 3. Commuter Rail
- 4. Light Rail or Bus Rapid Transit
- Murfreesboro Road
- 5. Light Rail or Bus Rapid Transit
- 6. Bus Rapid Transit “Light”

Initial Screening Results
- Evenly matched in benefits, impacts
- High projected capital costs
- Light rail not carried forward due to high electrification costs, other factors
- Airport alignments not carried forward
- Old Nashville Pike—added as result of public input, as alignment option

Initial Alternatives
1-24
- CSX
- M'boro Rd
- 1. LRT/BRT
- 3. Comm Rail
- 5. LRT/BRT
- 2. BRT Light
- 4. LRT/BRT
- 6. BRT Light

Alt A: BRT on I-24
- Dedicated two lane busway along I-24 and I-40 Bell Road north to Downtown Nashville
- Uses HOV Lanes (with increased enforcement) south of Bell Road
- 14 Stations south of Downtown Nashville, 8 stops Downtown
- Park-and-Ride at all stations south of Bell Road
- 48 mins travel time, M'bоро to N'ville
Alt B: Commuter Rail on CSX
- New track along existing CSX line
- Examined single and double track configuration
- 9 Stations, most park-and-ride south of Bell Rd.
- 60 mins travel time M’bоро to N’ville
- Operating plan assumes 16 trains/day
- Required level of infrastructure subject to discussion with CSX

Alt C: BRT on Murfreesboro Rd/ Old Nashville Pike
- Dedicated two lane busway along Murfreesboro Rd north of Bell Rd
- Single lane dedicated busway south of Bell Rd
- 17 Stations south of Downtown Nashville, 10 stops downtown
- Park and Ride at stations south of Bell Rd
- 56 mins minimum travel time, M’bоро to N’ville

Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Alternative
- Operationally, same as Alternative 1 (BRT on I-24)
- Eliminates Busway on I-24 from Bell Rd. to Hermitage Ave.
- Assumes buses operate in mixed traffic in that area

Station Area Population

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Excludes downtown Nashville station
Targeted Groups

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- B. Commuter Rail CSX
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Environmental Analysis

- Murfreesboro Road and Old Nashville Pike have greatest potential conflicts
- I-24 and other freeways have fewer potential conflicts
- Air quality impacts assessment is ongoing

Capital Costs of Improvements

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- B. Commuter Rail CSX
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Next Steps

- Complete ridership and cost forecasting
- Define Preferred Alternative
- Next Public Meetings: September-October
- Approval by Nashville MPO, FTA
- Possible next phase 2007-2008
Exhibit D. Sign-in Sheets

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SUMMARY OF COMMENT SHEETS

The following is a summary of the input from meeting participants that was received through the comment sheets distributed to each meeting attendee.

1. Where do you "Live" - Where do you "Work"?
   Of the completed surveys, the following zip codes were provided as individuals’ place of residency:

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Address: [Address]
City, State, Zip Code: [City, State, Zip Code]

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
[ ] B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
[ ] C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/Old Nashville Pike

Another Option (Describe) [ ]

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? [ ]

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? [ ]

Cost [ ]

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis): [ ]

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet.)

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Southeast Corridor High Performance Transit Alternatives Study
Policy Briefing
July 17, 2006

Please provide the following information:

Name: Ted Betty
Address: 10137 Mill Hill Pk
City, State, Zip Code: Milton, TN 37118

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Yes ☐ No ☐
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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
☐ Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Option on I-24
☐ B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
☐ C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike
☐ Another Option (Describe):

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

The out-of-area

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

The public is not ready to invest in new.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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POLICY BRIEFING
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Please provide the following information:

Name: 
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City, State, Zip Code: Antioch, TN 37013

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24 __
   B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line: __
   C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/Old Nashville Pike __
   D. Another Option (Describe): 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

A. Downtown Nashville ___
   B. Other ___
   C. Other ___

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

A. Safety ___
   B. Impact ___
   C. Other ___

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

A. Add text or delete text to contact ______

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City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37209

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24 __
   B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line: __
   C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/Old Nashville Pike __
   D. Another Option (Describe): 

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Another Option (Describe): (Please type or print)

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- [ ] A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-44
- [ ] B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
- [ ] C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/Old Nashville Pike
- [ ] Another Option (Describe)

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- [ ] A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-44
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C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/Old Nashville Pike

Another Option (Describe) __________________________

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
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City, State, Zip Code: NASHVILLE, TN

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Yes x No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
- B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
- C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike
- D. Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Option on I-24
- Other Option (Describe) ____________________________

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☐ Another Option (Describe) ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

☐ MTSU Hospital
☐ ____________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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NASHVILLE AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
PUBLIC MEETING - NASHVILLE DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
July 18, 2006

Please provide the following information:

Name: ____________________________ or ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
City, State, Zip Code: ____________________________

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☐ A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
☐ B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
☐ C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike

☐ Another Option (Describe) ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

☐ ____________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

☐ Depleted land dedication on traffic flow
☐ Traffic flow impact study at peak hours + interesting

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

☐ ____________________________

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

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SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
PUBLIC MEETING-LAVERGNE CITY HALL
July 18, 2008

Please provide the following information:
Name: DEREK LOVETT
Address: 3500 John A. Merritt Blvd. Box 4420
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37209

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☑

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
☐ Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Option on I-24
☐ Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
☐ Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/IOd Nashville Pike
☐ Another Option (Describe):

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Bill Ral, Georgia Swing

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
It has to be done correctly the first time. The statement may seem vague, but it is a reality. We need to adequately communicate to the citizens & government officials of Nashville that their system should not be owned by the cities. Government officials of Nashville should own the system itself. Copper has shown the need for the transit service (also called an Alternatives Analysis).

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Flexibility should not be an original feature of the final plan. The city is the largest city in the country, so the state has to make sure the final plan is not an urban sprawl system.

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

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PUBLIC MEETING-LAVERGNE CITY HALL
July 18, 2008

Please provide the following information:
Name: MARY TAFT TUCKER
Address: 11925 Broadway Pl
City, State, Zip Code: LaVergne, TN 37086

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☑

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: watlilly37149@yahoo.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
☐ Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Option on I-24
☐ Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
☐ Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/IOd Nashville Pike
☐ Another Option (Describe):

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
If real coming soon enough!

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Can the model be updated to reflect changed population & economic conditions?

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

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PUBLIC MEETING-LAVERGNE CITY HALL
July 18, 2006

Please provide the following information:
Name: Aliiza Tourkew
Address: 17289 Murfreesboro Rd.
City, State, Zip Code: LaVergne, TN 37086

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes No

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: atourkew@lavergne.org

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

X A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
X B. Commuter Rail Service along CEX Rail Line
X C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike

Another Option (Describe):

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

[Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet]

Please return to a MPO representative tonight; if you are unable to complete the comment form tonight, please mail or fax your form by July 28, 2006 to:
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PUBLIC MEETING-LAYMORE CITY HALL
July 18, 2006

Please provide the following information:
Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip Code:

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes  No
To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address:  har@dnj.com  

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike
Another Option (Describe)  

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?


What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

Thank you for your interest.

Nashville Area MPO
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METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY
PUBLIC MEETING-RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURFREESBORO
July 19, 2006

Please provide the following information:
Name: Mrs. Brenda Walker
Address: 339 River Rock Pike
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes No _
To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: WomanB@outlook.net

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike

Another Option (Describe) ____________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ______

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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PUBLIC MEETING-RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURFREESBORO
July 19, 2006

Please provide the following information:
Name: Ellen Gardiner
Address: 1910 Huntington Way
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes No __________
To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: Elegardiner@aol.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike

Another Option (Describe) ____________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ______

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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PUBLIC MEETING-RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE-MURFREESBORO
July 19, 2006

Please provide the following information:

Name: ___________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code: __________________________________

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☑

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: 

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☐ Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Option on I-24
☐ B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
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☐ Another Option (Describe) _____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
☒ Long Distance Commuter Travel to other communities
☐ Short Distance Commuter Travel within Murfreesboro
☐ Other _____________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
☒ More efficient service at peak times
☐ Less crowded, slower, or expanded service frequency
☐ Others _____________________________

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

Please return to a MPO representative tonight. If you are unable to complete the comment form tonight, please mail or fax your form by July 25, 2006 to:

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PUBLIC MEETING-RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE-MURFREESBORO
July 19, 2006

Please provide the following information:

Name: ___________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code: __________________________________

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☑

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: 

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☐ Another Option (Describe) _____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
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PUBLIC MEETING-RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE-MURFREESBORO

JULY 19, 2006

Please provide the following information:
Name: ______________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code: ______________________________________________________________________

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ A: Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
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☐ C: Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd. / Old Nashville Pike
☐ Other (Describe) ______________________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

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PUBLIC MEETING-RUTHERFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE-MURFREESBORO
July 10, 2006

Please provide the following information:
Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip Code:

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes/No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
- B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
- C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd/Old Nashville Pike
- Another Option (Describe)

What destinations cannot be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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PUBLIC MEETING-SMYRNA TOWN CENTRE
July 20, 2006

Please provide the following information:

Name: J.W. Brown
Address: 2124 Meleen Ct
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ A. Bus Rapid Transit on I-24
☐ Low-Cost Enhanced Bus Option on I-24
☐ B. Commuter Rail Service along CSX Rail Line
☐ C. Bus Rapid Transit on Murfreesboro Rd./Old Nashville Pike
☐ Another Option (Describe)

What destinations should be served by the new transit service in this corridor?
CONNECTED BUSINESSES, EVENT CENTERS (RAVENA)

What concerns do you have about putting transit service in this corridor?
Cost/fee rate
Frequency of service (too low)
Route change (too long)
Too many stops
Some existing lanes which will not
be used make time

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Service for special events - (TAC, Lavinia, MTSU, etc.)

(Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet)

If you are unable to complete the comment form tonight, please mail or fax your form by July 28, 2006 to Jim McAlister, Transit Planner

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Appendix 2D – Summary of Public Meetings
December 12 – 13, 2006
SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETINGS DECEMBER 12-13, 2006

SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR HIGH PERFORMANCE TRANSIT ALTERNATIVES STUDY

Nashville Area MPO
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I. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to document the public meetings held in December 2006. Four public meetings were conducted over a two day period – December 12-13, 2006. The materials in this report document the meetings, outreach, and findings of the public involvement effort.

II. PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

Regarding the four public meetings, the public outreach, communications and attendance generation activities prior to the meetings were numerous and comprehensive. The specific activities included:

- Development and production of all background and meeting support materials.
- Placement of required newspaper notification classified ads as well as special display ads in major newspapers and Hispanic language newspapers in the study corridor.
- Coordination and briefing of communications specialists for each city and county in the study corridor.
- Distribution of press releases, media alerts and direct contact with key media to generate additional coverage.

The legal advertisement, retail advertisement, and press release are in Exhibits A-1, A-2, and A-3 respectively.

III. MEETING HAND-OUTS

The handout for each meeting was a summary of the detailed alternative corridors, including maps of each corridor. A second sheet detailed the various transit options available for each corridor. The handout is included as Exhibit B.

IV. MEETING FORMAT

The meetings were “open-house” style,” which made it easy for citizens or agency representatives to come and go at any time during the session. Large printed boards illustrating the draft goals and objectives, different types of transit technologies, study area map, and six alternatives were placed throughout the meeting locations. Visitors could view the boards before and after the presentation and have one-on-one discussions with MPO and Consultant staff. A PowerPoint presentation, given by MPO and Consultant staff, was presented and attendees were invited to ask questions during the presentations. An open question-and-answer (Q&A) session followed the formal presentation. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is included as Exhibit C.
V. PUBLIC MEETINGS

The public meetings held in December 2006 and attendees who chose to sign in are as follows:

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<td>12:00 – 2:00 pm</td>
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<td>December 12, 2006</td>
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<td>6:00 – 8:00 pm</td>
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<td>1:00 – 3:00 pm</td>
<td>5093 Murfreesboro Road La Vergne, TN 37086</td>
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<td>December 13, 2006</td>
<td>Smyrna Town Centre</td>
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<td>6:00 – 8:00 pm</td>
<td>100 Sam Ridley Parkway East Smyrna, TN 37187</td>
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A summary of each meeting is below. The sign in sheets are included as Exhibit D. Since this presentation was for the final selection of the Locally Preferred Alternative, comments sheets were not solicited from the public. Comments were made by the public during the Q and A session, however. Those comments are summarized below.

NASHVILLE CIVIC DESIGN CENTER, DECEMBER 12, 2006

The following comments were made at the meeting:
- Additional seats needed on Route 96. Passengers are standing from LaVergne to downtown Nashville
- Citizen questioned who would operate and fund the service

MURFREESBORO CONSOLIDATED UTILITY DISTRICT, DECEMBER 12, 2006

The following comments were made at the meeting:
- Would like to see costs broken out by time period (1-5 years, 5-10, etc.)
- Concerned about funding. Schools are the political priority now in Rutherford County

LA VERGNE CITY HALL, DECEMBER 13, 2006

The following comments were made at the meeting:
- People will be disappointed that the recommendation isn’t rail, but understands that the riders are not there right now
- Have developers pay for bus service and bus stop improvements
- Cities need specific guidance for transit oriented development

SMYRNA TOWN CENTER, DECEMBER 13, 2006

The following comments were made at the meeting:
- Market the transit service to overcome pre-conceived ideas about riding the bus to work. Let people know the options that are available to them.
• Put evening service on route 96. Would like to go to a Predators game or out to dinner after work, but evening service isn’t available.
• People left Atlanta due to traffic. Sees the same thing happening in Rutherford County.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Jim McAteer, Nashville MTA
615-862-6119

Tim Rosenberger, Parsons Brinckerhoff
216-781-7808

THE FUTURE OF TRAVEL BETWEEN NASHVILLE AND MURFREESBORO:
More—and faster—buses in store for congested corridor

Proposed Transportation Alternatives to be Discussed at Public Meetings

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (December XX, 2006) – Residents, travelers, and business owners in the Southeast Corridor from Nashville to Murfreesboro will be given the opportunity to weigh in on a proposed package of bus improvements crafted to improve transportation along US 41 between Murfreesboro and Nashville. These improvements are the result of a transportation study being completed by Nashville Area MPO. The public will hear the final results of the study and get a last opportunity to provide input before the study’s completion, set for the end of December.

The transportation planning agency for the Nashville region (the Nashville Area MPO) will hold four public meetings to share with the public the results of the detailed transportation analyses and to hear comments on the alternatives studied and the criteria used to evaluate them.

The following four public meetings will include a presentation followed by a question-and-answer session (presentations will be repeated as needed during allotted time slots):

Tuesday 12/12     Nashville – Civic Design Center, 138 2nd Ave. N, Suite 106 from 12-2 p.m.
Tuesday 12/12     Murfreesboro – Consolidated Utility District, 709 New Salem Highway from 6-8 p.m.
Wednesday 12/13   LaVergne – LaVergne City Hall, 5093 Murfreesboro Road from 1-3 p.m.
Wednesday, 12/13  Smyrna – Smyrna Town Centre, 100 Sam Ridley Parkway East from 6-8 p.m.

Speedy Buses Win Out Over Trains

The Southeast Corridor study analyzed a range of public transportation improvements for the corridor, from light rail operating along US 41 and I-24 to commuter rail trains similar to RTA’s Nashville Star service operating on existing freight railroad tracks that also serve the transportation corridor between Murfreesboro and Nashville. The study also considered a continuous bus lane between
Murfreesboro and Nashville, that would allow buses to bypass the traffic backups that plague some parts of I-24 and intersections along Murfreesboro Road during rush hour. Cost estimates prepared for the study indicated the rail or bus lane alternatives would be very expensive, with options ranging from $200 million to more than $500 million for the cost of new pavement or railroad tracks, stations and park-ride lots. These costs were thought to be unjustified as estimates indicated that only about 2,000 persons would use the services each day by 2030, given present projections of population and employment growth in the area.

The study team, made up of public officials from the MPO, Nashville MTA, RTA and local communities along the corridor, developed a plan to phase in bus service improvements over the next 25 years to build the transit market while providing travelers in the Murfreesboro-to-Nashville corridor with alternatives to driving in the increasingly congested conditions. Bus service would cover all of US 41 from Nashville to Murfreesboro, while express buses would carry commuters from Murfreesboro, Smyrna and LaVergne to downtown Nashville without making multiple stops in between. The plan includes new circulator bus services in Murfreesboro, Smyrna and LaVergne as well as new bus “stations” and sidewalk and crosswalk improvements at key intersections along US 41. Short sections of new roadway, for use by buses only, would be built in some of the most congested areas of Murfreesboro Road, including around Thompson Lane and north of Bell Road and the segment of Broad Street just north of downtown Murfreesboro. These bus lanes will allow buses to speed past traffic tie ups in these areas to make riding the bus more attractive to potential travelers. The analysis that led to this plan being developed, and the potential costs and benefits of the improvements, will be discussed in detail at each public meeting. The public will have the opportunity to question and discuss the study with officials and members of the consultant team.

“Parts of this plan could be implemented next year, or as soon as funding is available” said Jim McAteer, MTA’s director of planning and project manager of the study. “These improvements will allow us to build up the market for public transportation in this corridor, so that we can revisit the idea of busways or commuter rail at some point in the future.” He added that, at this point, no decisions are final, and he looks forward to hearing what the public thinks of the study’s recommendations.

All of the meeting locations are accessible to persons with disabilities. Any individual with a disability who requires special assistance to participate in the reporting meetings should contact Mr. Jim McAteer, Transportation Planner, Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, 800 2nd Ave, South, Nashville, TN 37201, Phone 615-862-7204, Fax 615-862-7209, Email mcateer@nashvillempo.org.

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Exhibit B - Meeting Handout Material

Southeast Corridor Study Background

Transit Opportunities for the Nashville’s Southeast Corridor

The Nashville Area’s transportation officials are conducting this study to address the transportation needs of the corridor and to develop transit options to address longer distance travel in the Southeast Corridor. The study is analyzing travel patterns within the corridor, which extends from downtown Nashville and the Vanderbilt/West End area south and east to Murfreesboro. The corridor includes portions of Nashville-Davidson County, LaVerne, Smyrna, Rutherford County, and Murfreesboro.

A network of fixed transit routes serving Middle Tennessee has been planned for more than ten years. A commuter rail line connecting downtown Nashville to Lebanon and Mt. Juliet, east of the city, opened in September 2006. The Southeast Corridor is the second corridor to begin the planning process.

The Northeast Corridor, which includes Hendersonville and Gallatin, will be the third corridor to enter into the planning process, in 2007.

The Southeast corridor between Nashville and Murfreesboro is the fastest growing portion of the fast growing Middle Tennessee region. The corridor is expected to add more than 110,000 residents and a large number of new jobs by 2030. Travel in the corridor is a mix of short (under 3 miles) and longer trips. This growth will put a strain on the corridor’s transportation network. Already the most congested corridor in the Nashville Region, traffic congestion during the morning and evening rush hour periods will worsen significantly by 2030.

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Southeast Corridor Study Background

Transit Opportunities for the Nashville’s Southeast Corridor

The Southeast Corridor study focused on three main routes between Murfreesboro and downtown Nashville: I-24, Murfreesboro Road (US 40) and the CSX Rail Line. The study team focused on three types of transit improvements: Commuter rail, similar to the Music City Star East Corridor line that recently opened with service to Lebanon; Light Rail, which is a type of electrically powered rail service, a higher capacity version of the old streetcars; and Bus Rapid Transit, buses operated over an exclusive roadway, signal pre-emption and other advantages to allow them to bypass congested road traffic. The study team also considered subways or elevated railways and other forms of rail transit, but these were determined to be too costly and poorly suited to the travel needs of the corridor, and were eliminated from consideration early in the process.

The study team’s tested a range of commuter rail, light rail and bus rapid transit alternatives. The team’s analysis indicated that rail or bus alternatives running the corridor’s full length would be very costly.

While the corridor is developing quickly (Rutherford County is one of the nation’s 20 fastest growing counties), transit supportive development patterns will be required to make the most of the recommended transit investment, and to build the transit market to support future development of rail or bus rapid transit.

To meet current needs while building the market for transit, the study recommends a package of phased transit service and infrastructure improvements including:

- Increased express bus service from communities in the south of the corridor to downtown Nashville, operating on I-24, and local bus service along US 41 (Murfreesboro Road) from Murfreesboro to Nashville.

- Development of transit “stations”, intersection improvements and short sections of bus lanes along Murfreesboro Road, to allow buses to bypass congestion.

- Promotion of transit oriented development (TOD) in corridor communities.

These improvements will provide high quality service while building the transit market to support development of future rail or bus rapid transit service.
The Southwest Corridor Study Team has developed a package of recommendations for the corridor. The purpose of these meetings is for you to review these recommendations and give us your comments.

The proposed operating plan for local bus service in the corridor dramatically increases the frequency and availability of local bus service in the corridor. Service is most frequent near Nashville and Murfreesboro, but relatively frequent service is available all the way from Murfreesboro to Nashville.

Express Buses – Special Service for Commuters

For commuters, the special treatment starts with the bus, which will be larger and more comfortable than the ones used for regular MTA bus service, with padded seats and amenities like reading lights. Express buses will operate on I-24 directly connecting neighborhoods along the corridor and downtown Nashville. Ultimately Murfreesboro, LaVergne, Smyrna and the Bell Road area will have direct express service to downtown Nashville and the Vanderbilt/West End area. Reverse-commute express service will connect Nashville residents to Nissan Motors, Murfreesboro and MTSU.

Route “Leasing” and “Terminal Centers”

Corridor recommendations include developing transit “stations” at a number of key locations along Murfreesboro Road and in downtown Nashville and Murfreesboro. These stations would feature paved areas with bus shelters, improved lighting, bike racks, upgraded sidewalks, crosswalks, landscaping, bus schedule information and other amenities to make waiting for the bus safer and more enjoyable. In downtown areas, transfer centers like MTA’s planned Music City Central facility will off-street bus parking and a climate-controlled passenger waiting area.

Queue Jumps and Intersection Improvements

Speeding buses past congested traffic is one strategy for making transit a more viable option for commuters. The study recommends reconfiguring a number of intersections in the corridor to allow buses to bypass traffic. Queue jump facilities can be developed which allow buses to cross through an intersection before parallel traffic, while signal priority systems can allow buses to influence the timing of traffic lights.

Bus Lanes

The study recommends a single lane reversible busway for several areas adjacent to the corridor’s most busy intersections. These bus lanes would operate northbound in the morning and southbound in the afternoon, and would have barriers to keep private vehicles from entering them. They would allow buses to speed past backed up traffic, and in most cases could be built in the existing right of way.

Transit Oriented Development

While the study did not recommend specific changes to land use in the corridor, it recommends that communities make changes to their zoning and land use plans to promote transit-oriented development (TOD). Similar to the traditional development patterns of small towns and city neighborhoods, TOD features more compact, walkable development, and a mix of uses within each area. Buildings and walkways are oriented to the street and to transit lines, rather than to parking lots. Insuring that much of the future development in the corridor is transit-supportive will be critical to the success of transit service in the corridor and to the potential future development of commuter rail or bus rapid transit in the corridor.
Southeast Corridor
The Recommendations

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Three Steps to Transit Development in the Southeast Corridor

The corridor study team has developed a three step plan for expanding and improving bus service in the corridor. Some transit station, intersection or busway improvements may be made sooner if reconstruction projects on Murfreesboro Road make earlier development possible.

Step 1: Short-Term (0-5 Years)
- Express bus routes operating from Murfreesboro, Smyrna and LaVergne to downtown Nashville and the Vanderbilt-West End area via US 41, I-24.
- Local bus service on Murfreesboro Road from Murfreesboro to downtown Nashville. Connection of the regional transit network to the proposed circulator bus system being introduced in Murfreesboro.
- Bus service between Hickory Hollow Mall and Nashville International Airport.
- MTA downtown transfer center (Music City Central)

Step 2: Medium-Term (5-10 Years)
- Direct Express service on I-24 from Murfreesboro to Nashville.
- Reverse-commute express service via I-24 from downtown Nashville to the Nissan Auto Plant, Murfreesboro and MTSU.
- Development of station “stops” and intersection improvements, including queue jumps, at selected major intersections along Murfreesboro Road.
- Reduced wait time on local bus service operating on Murfreesboro Road.
- Conversion of RTA Route 96 to “Skip Stop” service, making stops only at selected intersections along Murfreesboro Road.

Step 3: Long-Term (10-25 years)
- Expansion of express bus service from Murfreesboro to Nashville.
- Station stop and queue jump improvements at additional locations along Murfreesboro Road.
- Development of single lane, reversible bus lanes in the median of, or along one side of, Murfreesboro Road, at
  - Thompson Lane
  - South of Harding Road-Donelson Pike to north of Bell Road.
  - Thompson Lane to Church Street in Murfreesboro.

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Southeast Corridor

Transit Opportunities for the Nashville’s Southeast Corridor

The Nashville Area’s transportation officials are conducting this study to address the transportation needs of the corridor and to develop transit options to address longer distance travel in the Southeast Corridor. The study is analyzing travel patterns within the corridor, which extends from downtown Nashville and the Vanderbilt/West End area south and east to Murfreesboro. The corridor includes portions of Nashville-Davidson County, LaVernia, Smyrna, Rutherford County, and Murfreesboro.

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To meet current needs while building the market for transit, the study recommends a package of increased express and local bus service and development of transit "stations" and short sections of bus lanes along Murfreesboro Road, to allow buses to bypass congestion. These improvements will provide high quality service while building the transit market to support development of future rail or bus rapid transit service.
**Much more frequent bus service**
- Murfreesboro to Smyrna: 20 minutes peak, 40 minutes off peak
- Smyrna to Lavergne: 12 minutes peak, 24 minutes off peak
- Lavergne to Bell Road: 15 minutes peak, 17 minutes off peak
- Bell Road North: 8 minutes peak, 9 minutes off peak

**Line Bus Stations**
- Roadway Improvements
- Bus Shelter
- Seating
- Pavement
- Lighting
- Bike Rack
- Other amenities

**Downtown Transfer Stations**
- Downtown Nashville
- Possibly Murfreesboro, other locations
- Off-street bus parking and passenger transfer facility

**Downtown Transfer Stations**
- Interior, climate-controlled passenger area
- Retail and/or office development

**Service operates on US 41**
(Murfreesboro Rd., Broad Street)
- Local Bus Service, Express, Circulators
- Intersection improvements and “queue jumps” to speed bus progress
- Short sections of busway to
Magnitude of Investment (Preliminary)

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Next Steps

- Public Meetings—December
- Approval of preferred alternative by Nashville MPO, FTA—January
- Possible next phase 2007-2008
### Exhibit D. Sign-in Sheets

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Appendix 2E – Miscellaneous Comment Forms
Please provide the following information:

Name: Mike Sparks
Address: 114 Woodrow Drive
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

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What City/County do you work in: Rutherford County

Rank order (1 through 6) the following Project Goals (with 1 being the most important, 2 being the second most important, 3 being the third most important, and so on):

1. Goal 1: Provide longer-distance travelers in the southeastern corridor with alternatives to driving private vehicles in heavily-congested traffic conditions.
2. Goal 2: Promote efficient land use and development patterns in Nashville/Davidson County and the Rutherford County communities in the Southeast Corridor Study Area.
5. Goal 5: Develop a Cost-Effective Transportation System Improvement Strategy that Maximizes Community Consensus and Institutional Support.
6. Goal 6: Develop a Strategic Part of a Multi-Modal Transportation System that would facilitate the Development of an Integrated Regional Multi-Modal System.

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor most? (Select One Alternative)

1. Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
3. Alternative 3: CSX Alignment, Commuter Rail, Conventional Railroad Equipment
4. Alternative 4: CSX Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
5. Alternative 5: Murfreesboro Road Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
6. Alternative 6: Murfreesboro Road Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor least? (Select One Alternative)

1. Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
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6. Alternative 6: Murfreesboro Road Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)

Why did you select these alternatives as your most and least favorable alternatives?

Less cost involved with utililzes CSX alignment.

I believe I-24 with light rail would be more expensive to obtain right of ways and less safe for motorists and commuters.

(See remaining questions on other side)
Please provide the following information:

Name: Chris Hazelwood

Address: 1231 NW Broad Street, Ste 312

City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37139

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: chris@hazelwood

What City/County do you work in: Murfreesboro / Rutherford

Rank order (1 through 6) the following Project Goals (with 1 being the most important, 2 being the second most important, 3 being the third most important, and so on):

3. Goal 1: Provide longer-distance travelers in the southeastern corridor with alternatives to driving private vehicles in heavily-congested traffic conditions.

5. Goal 2: Promote efficient land use and development patterns in Nashville/Davidson County and the Rutherford County communities in the Southeast Corridor Study Area.


2. Goal 6: Develop a Strategic Part of a Multi-Modal Transportation System that would facilitate the Development of an Integrated Regional Multi-Modal System.

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor most? (Select One Alternative)

Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

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Alternative 6: Murfreesboro Road Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)

Why did you select these alternatives as your most and least favorable alternatives?

(See remaining questions on other side)
Please provide the following information:

Name: Mike Walker

Address: 110 Simms Creek Ln

City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167-2334

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: jmwalker@comcast.net

What City/County do you work in: Smyrna/Rutherford

Rank order (1 through 6) the following Project Goals (with 1 being the most important, 2 being the second most important, 3 being the third most important, and so on):


2. Goal 6: Develop a Strategic Part of a Multi-Modal Transportation System that would facilitate the Development of an Integrated Regional Multi-Modal System.

Of the alternatives presented which do you favor most? (Select One Alternative)

Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

Alternative 2: I-24 Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)

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Alternative 6: Murfreesboro Road Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)

Why did you select these alternatives as your most and least favorable alternatives?

(See remaining questions on other side)
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Please provide the following information:

Name: DAVID BOLIN

Address: 304 S. LOWEY

City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: DAVID.BOLIN@ROD.NET

What City/County do you work in: RUTHERFORD

Rank order (1 through 6) the following Project Goals (with 1 being the most important, 2 being the second most important, 3 being the third most important, and so on):

1. Goal 1: Provide longer-distance travelers in the southeastern corridor with alternatives to driving private vehicles in heavily-congested traffic conditions.
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Of the alternatives presented which do you favor most? (Select One Alternative)

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Of the alternatives presented which do you favor least? (Select One Alternative)

2. Alternative 1: I-24 Alignment, Light Rail/Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) or Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
1. Alternative 2: I-24 Alignment, Bus Rapid Transit Light (BRTL)
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Why did you select these alternatives as your most and least favorable alternatives?

NO ALTERNATIVE THAT USES ROADWAY OR PART OF ROADWAY

Traffic Jam or Road Accidents

(See remaining questions on other side)
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NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN

Please provide the following information:
Name: JAMES F. YARBRIDGE JR
Address: 4225 New Hope Meadow Rd
City, State, Zip Code: HERMITAGE, TN 37076

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ☐ No ☒

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
X ☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Nashville, Murfreesboro, Lavergne, Smyrna, Mt. Juliet

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? New transit service on this corridor could only improve the area as a whole.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
I would like to see commuter rail as the chosen transit mode for this corridor. It makes the most sense because of the existing CSX trains. Either an agreement needs to be reached with CSX to allow commuter trains on their tracks or right of way. (Comments may be continued on the back of this sheet).

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On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being extremely important, 2 being somewhat important and 3 being not important) what do you think about high capacity transit service being provided to:

1. Downtown Nashville
2. Hickory Hollow Mall
3. Stones River Mall
4. West End/Church Street area
5. Nashville International Airport
6. Starwood Amphitheater
7. Middle TN State University (MTSU)

Other comments or ideas about this Transportation Alternatives Study or the Regional Rail Program:

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Thank you,

[Ted's signature]
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NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN

Please provide the following information:
Name: Ted Pabst
Address: Not Applicable
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37214

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [ ] No [ X ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
[ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Murfreesboro, Clarksville, Dickson, Lebanon, Mt. Juliet

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? NONE

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
none

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NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN

Please provide the following information:
Name: Teri Taylor
Address: 710 Dellwood Dr.
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [ ] No [ ]

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: Teri.Taylor@state.tn.us

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other:
   ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
   ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
   ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
   Bus service from Smyrna to Nashville, M’bondo throughout the day M-F at regular intervals. Also bus service within Smyrna, have gone to M’bondo.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
N/A

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
One day I transported an older lady from Zimbabwe from Smyrna to M’bondo & back. She was trying to walk in the rain from her home to the health dept. for her insulin. She often had to walk for services she needed.

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I picked her up when I saw her struggling to walk down Nissan Dr. A man from my church

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has also picked this same lady up. People like this are very vulnerable. They need regular, reliable, & safe transportation. Thank you!
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NASHVILLE TO MURFREESBORO, TN

Please provide the following information:

Name: [Lee Wharf]
Address: 3001 Willerson Dr
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37211

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [X] No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

[X] Improvements to Local Bus Service  [X] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[X] Commuter Rail Service  [X] Light Rail Transit Service
[X] Bus Rapid Transit Service  [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? [Tenn-Center, Smyrna]

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? [Costs to our students, rail times, accessibility]

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

This service would be of great benefit to the disabled served at this facility. Not only providing more opportunities of independence but a teaching tool. Many of our students have daily TRC to rely on for transportation.

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assistance. Due to money, support, geographics etc... We do provide transportation to our students at no cost, however, a new alternative for them and us allows many other therapeutic processes to happen. i.e. students learn how to ride public transit, money management (hopefully discounted), developing interpersonal skills, feeling of success and part of “normal” society and it does not stop here... The ones that do use public transit open the doors for the others to learn.
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Please provide the following information:

Name: [NAME]
Address: [ADDRESS]
City, State, Zip Code: [CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE]

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Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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With more stops and at least
additional service added for destination
the local need on our Client Need
for using community transportation.
Thank you for considering these concerns.
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Melissa Norwood
Address: 460 Ninth Ave
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [ ] No [X]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service [X] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: ____________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ____________________________________________Specifically - Tenn. Rehab. Center

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ____________________________________________

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Gale Demick
Address: 4100 Gtl Ave
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?  Yes [ ]  No [X]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[X] Improvements to Local Bus Service     [X] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[X] Commuter Rail Service                  [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service              [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Smyrna, Nashville - downtown, mall, airport
Murfreesboro

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? [ ] None
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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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Please provide the following information:

Name: KATHLEEN DINEED

Address: 2810 ARCHER AVE.

City, State, Zip Code: MURFREESBORO, TN 37129

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes [ ] No [x]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
[ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service

[ ] Commuter Rail Service
[ ] Light Rail Transit Service

[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
[ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: [ ] Bus Service in Murfreesboro

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

[ ] Nashville

[ ] Murfreesboro

[ ] Other: ________________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Kelly W. Crawford
Address: 103 Matt Dr.
City, State, Zip Code: Bell Buckle, TN 37020

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [ ] No [ ]

To receive e-mails, please provide your e-mail address: Pendoleskel@ao.com

What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- [ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
- [X] Commuter Rail Service
- [ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Somewhere Close to the Rutherford County line.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Would there be stops in Smyrna @ airport location?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Hagan Hicks
Address: 3406 Southridge
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN, 37128

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ___ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- Improvements to Local Bus Service
- Express or Commuter Bus Service
- Commuter Rail Service
- Light Rail Transit Service
- Bus Rapid Transit Service
- Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? If you had
a route that follows I-840 in order to encompass a large
area, TN Rehab Ctr

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Where is the
money coming from? Who will it benefit? How much will
service cost?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Janice K. Hollingsworth
Address: P.O. Box 534
City, State, Zip Code: Antioch, TN 37013

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ________ No ________

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- __________ Improvements to Local Bus Service
- __________ Commuter Rail Service
- __________ Bus Rapid Transit Service
- __________ Express or Commuter Bus Service
- __________ Light Rail Transit Service
- __________ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? All Frontier
In Longhorn Service Area, Also Murfreesboro

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? There should be 24hrs Service for people who work 3rd shift's and areas that buses don't run normally.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Cindy Murphy - Elliott
Address: 1001 Florence Road
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☒ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☒ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☒ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☒ Commuter Rail Service ☒ Light Rail Transit Service
☒ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☒ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: __________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

Nashville ☒ Smyrna ☒ Murfreesboro

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

NONE

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Research has shown that one of the main barriers to employment is lack of transportation to enhance employment opportunities. This barrier needs to be eliminated.

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Cynthia Luther
Address: 8722 Linmar Ave.
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37215

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
[ ] Commuter Rail Service [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Tennessee Rehabilitation Center - Smyrna

t,Oxil Aee - Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Provide handicapped services & assistance to visually impaired people

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Diana Shelby

Address: 1221 Vine Hill Dr

City, State, Zip Code: Antioch, TN 37013

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

[ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service  [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service

[ ] Commuter Rail Service  [ ] Light Rail Transit Service

[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service  [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: ______________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ___ Old Fort Pike

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ___ A rail service seems to allow for only limited use/limited stops. Individuals are still left several blocks from their destinations.

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Donny Smith
Address: 2222 Rocking Horse Ln
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Murfreesboro - Mt. Juliet - somewhere on Old Fort Pkwy near mall. Also something towards Milan/Ball Bunker/Staleyville side of Milan.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Will it be required to go through historic areas or designated wildlife/rdvct areas. Noise/air pollution concerns. Routes inflicting to transit (i.e. stations, walking areas).

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Adding lanes doesn't seem to have helped volume or saving time during any/long workday commute. Alternatives (i.e. rail service) must be considered.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Rick Watkins
Address: 2210 Joseph Ct
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreeso, TN 37128

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Yes ___ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

___ Improvements to Local Bus Service  ___ Express or Commuter Bus Service

✓ Commuter Rail Service  ___ Light Rail Transit Service

___ Bus Rapid Transit Service  ___ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ______________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? TRC

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? N/A

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Laurel Taylor
Address: 2315 Mercury Blvd, Hilltop
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37127

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Yes X No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service  ☑ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☑ Commuter Rail Service  ☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service  ☐ Other types of transit service. (please write-in below)
Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
MTSU, mall? Other

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Jim White
Address: 6th Floor, 501 Union Street
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37219-1305

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Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: __________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? The basic US-41, SE-70, Murfreesboro Rd Corridor with termini in the Nashville CBD and the Murfreesboro CBD.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Right-of-way!!!

Construction costs, Operating costs/maintenance costs

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Glen Wanner

Address: ______________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code: ______________________________________________________________________

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ___ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☒ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ______________________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Parks, greenways, as well as school and employment centers

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
The current corridor is not pedestrian or bike friendly. Local officials will need to invest in bike/ped facilities for transit to work.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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Please provide the following information:

Name: David Utley
Address: Suite 900 J&K Bldg. 505DeArdrick St
City, State, Zip Code: Nashville TN 37293

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Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- ☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service
- ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
- ☐ Commuter Rail Service
- ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
- ☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
- ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
  Other: maglev - high speed rail

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
   All major attractors & generators

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
   Not providing adequate public transportation at pick up/drop off points on rail line
   Inadequate pedestrian & bicycle facilities

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
   Continued development to add high speed transit to other major attractors & generators
   i.e. Bellevue, Madison, Gallatin, Clarksville, Lebanon

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Nancy Naves
Address: P.O. Box 32762
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37133

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

User friendly transit

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Name: Carl Hollis
Address: 2202 Sulphur Springs Rd
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37129

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- Improvements to Local Bus Service
- Commuter Rail Service
- Bus Rapid Transit Service
- Express or Commuter Bus Service
- Light Rail Transit Service
- Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ________________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ________________________________

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Most of our clients on internship need to be there by 8 or 9 AM and picked up by 3:00 PM. At this time only one bus at 6:09 AM coming to Nashville Smyrna.

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and leaving for Nashville at 5:50 pm. Which really doesn't meet our clients' needs. Suggestion is make the stop just like Smyrna. K-mart Park and Ride in AM and PM various times throughout the day.
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Cynthia Miller
Address: 901 Windbirch Trail
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☑ No

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☐ Commuter Rail Service  ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service  ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Currently there is one MTA Bus stopping at TRC in Smyrna, however due to the scheduling at TRC we could better benefit from more than one stop. It would be my
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Suggestion that, rather than having one bus only commuting from Smyrna TREC to Nashville, make TREC a part of the existing loop for R & R.
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Lorette Ewing
Address: 2503 byland Rd
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study?
Yes ☑ No _

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- Improvements to Local Bus Service
- Commuter Rail Service
- Bus Rapid Transit Service
- Express or Commuter Bus Service
- Light Rail Transit Service
- Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? _ I feel there should be a fast food route for the commuter bus. For there are more jobs in fast food

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? _ I feel that after a few years that the budget will not allow the transit to have the proper upkeep it needs

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis): There needs to be a representative to go around to TVRCA assisted living homes, elderly group homes, schools to educate the advantages of this transportation

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I donot want to see individuals who get excited about this transit to start get employed and then yrs down the road there is no funding & transit is shut down. Can you provide a back up plan if this happens.

Thankyou
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Glenna States
Address: 7307 Park Ave Rd.
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

□ Improvements to Local Bus Service □ Express or Commuter Bus Service

√ Commuter Rail Service □ Light Rail Transit Service

□ Bus Rapid Transit Service □ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Smyrna, LaVergne, Stonecrest, Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? May be too expensive

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

I think this is a great idea. There are so many vehicles on the roads. Maybe this would lessen the highway traffic and less accidents. Plus, it would be nice to be able to ride and not have to drive to Nashville. I like Alternative 3-Build Alternatives.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Joyce Scott
Address: 550 Claude Jones Rd.
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37139

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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[ ] Commuter Rail Service  [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
[ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service  [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: __________________________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ____________________________

[ ] Not sure

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ____________________________

[ ] Not sure

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Michelle Buchanan
Address: 1011 Wildflower Ct.
City, State, Zip Code: Franklin, TN 37064

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☒ Commuter Rail Service ☒ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Murfreesboro to Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
I think the commute from here to Nashville is quite out of the way - a rail service or light rail transit service would help drastically.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Elizabeth Gharev
Address: 1501 Middleborough Pl
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37130

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Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
Murfreesboro to Clarksville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Cost, Safety, Convenience

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Great idea! We need to commute more together to save our pollution, gas, and money.

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Name: S. H. McDaniel
Address: 805 Lorcan Dr
City, State, Zip Code: Mt. Juliet, TN 37125

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Yes [ ] No [x]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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- [x] Express or Commuter Bus Service
- [ ] Commuter Rail Service
- [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
- [ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: __________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

- [x] Antioch
- [x] LaVergne
- [x] Murfreesboro
- [x] Smyrna
- [x] Nashville
- [x] Hendersonville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
Name: James Wint Jackson
Address: 617 S Highland Ave
City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN, 37130

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Yes □ No X

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- Improvements to Local Bus Service
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- Bus Rapid Transit Service
- Other: ________________________________
- Express or Commuter Bus Service
- Light Rail Transit Service
- Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? MTSU, Old Fort, and Church St.

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ________________________________

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
If the state would not give its $81 million surplus to TennCare, we could afford this.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: **LeeAnn Pance**
Address: **1037 Brentwood Chase**
City, State, Zip Code: **Brentwood, TN 37027**

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☐ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: _____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? **Mtsu, Old Fort, Church St.**
**There are a lot of commuter students at MTSU**

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? **Cost**

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
**It would help if bus costs being so extreme**

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City, State, Zip Code: Mt Juliet, TN 37122

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
- [ ] Improvements to Local Bus Service
- [ ] Commuter Rail Service
- [ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [ ] Express or Commuter Bus Service
- [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Close to campus

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Yes ☑ No ___

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☑ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ___________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Murfreesboro,
Smyrna, Lebanon, Franklin

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Lack of funding; foot dragging by regional leaders; using renewable energy sources

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Yes ☒  No _

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☒ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Costs

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Yes ☑ No __

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☑ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: __________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?
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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?
Pollution, Costs
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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
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Please provide the following information:
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City, State, Zip Code: MURFREESBORO, TN 37130

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Yes □ □ No __________ ON MY EMAILS
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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☑ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☑ Commuter Rail Service
☑ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ___________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Elliott Fisher

Address:

City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro TN 37130

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes [ ] No [x]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☑ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service

☐ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service

☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: __________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? __________________________

M'boro - Knoxville / Chattanooga

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Express

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Should be a for service as implemented by many other major US cities

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Please provide the following information:

Name: SHANE VOUNT
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Yes ☐ No ☐

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☒ Commuter Rail Service ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? M'Boro to Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? More bike lanes, traffic too crowded.

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
Cars suck. Too much stress in traffic.
CO2 emissions are deadly.

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Please provide the following information:
Name: Rebecca Moss
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City, State, Zip Code: Nashville, TN 37204

Would you like to receive additional information and/or meeting announcements about this study? Yes ☐ No ☒

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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☒ Commuter Rail Service ☒ Light Rail Transit Service
☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: __________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ________________
Nashville __________________________________________________________
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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ________________
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Stephen Wilson
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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

- ☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service  ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
- ☐ Commuter Rail Service  ☐ Light Rail Transit Service
- ☑ Bus Rapid Transit Service  ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other: ____________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? Brentwood, Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? Acceptable and willingness to use

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Anna Gray
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City, State, Zip Code: Rockvale, TN 37153

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

☐ Improvements to Local Bus Service ☐ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☒ Commuter Rail Service ☒ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service ☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

Nashville, Lebanon, Murfreesboro, Smyrna, LaVergne, Franklin, Brentwood

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Making sure little damage is done to the environment during installation

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

We need this!

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Rosemary (Christine)
Address: 8820 Hazelwood Dr. D5
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Yes [ ] No [x]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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☐ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)

Other:

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

CSU College - Downtown Nashville

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

Should be fast

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

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Please provide the following information:
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Yes [ ] No [x]

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?
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- [x] Express or Commuter Bus Service
- [ ] Commuter Rail Service
- [ ] Light Rail Transit Service
- [ ] Bus Rapid Transit Service
- [ ] Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: 

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? I feel there should be a fast food route for the Commuter Bus. For there are more jobs in fast food

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? I feel that after a few years that the budget will not allow the transit to have the proper upkeep if it needs

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):
There needs to be a representative to go around to TVRRC, assisted living homes, elderly group homes, schools to educate the advantages of this transportation

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I do not want to see individuals who get excited about this transit to start getting employed and then get shut down the road there is no funding & transit is shut down. Can you provide a back up plan if this happens.

Thankyou
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Please provide the following information:

Name: Cynthia Miller
Address: 401 Windbirch Trail
City, State, Zip Code: Smyrna, TN 37167

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Yes ☐ No ☐

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☐ Commuter Rail Service
☐ Bus Rapid Transit Service
☐ Other: ________________________________

☑ Express or Commuter Bus Service
☐ Light Rail Transit Service
☐ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor?

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What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor?

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Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Currently there is one MTA Bus stopping at TRC in Smyrna, however, due to the scheduling at TRC we could better benefit from more than one stop. It would be my

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Suggestion that, rather than having one bus only commuting from Smyrna TRC to Nashville, make TRC a part of the existing loop for R & R.
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Please provide the following information:

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City, State, Zip Code: Murfreesboro, TN 37129

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What types of transit service should be investigated for this corridor?

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✓ Commuter Rail Service  __ Light Rail Transit Service
✓ Bus Rapid Transit Service  __ Other types of transit service (please write-in below)
Other: ________________________________________

What destinations should be served by any new transit service in this corridor? ________________________________________

What concerns do you have about putting new transit service in this corridor? ________________________________________

Other comments or ideas about this transit study (also called an Alternatives Analysis):

Most of our clients on internship need to be there for 9 AM and picked up by 3:00 PM. At this time only one bus at 6:09 AM coming to Murfreesboro Smyrna.

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and leaving for Nashville at 5:50 PM, which really doesn't meet our clients needs. A suggestion is to make TRC a stop just like Smyrna - K-Mart Park and Ride in the A M and P M various times throughout the day.
Appendix 2F – E-mailed Comments
I am unable to attend the transit meeting scheduled for this week in Murfreesboro, but I did want to send input. I think it is absolutely essential that we have some form of rail service put in place to run from Murfreesboro to Nashville. The time to start this was yesterday! If we don’t do something very soon it will be one big moving parking lot. If rail is put in place there needs to be flexibility in scheduling. I would use a vanpool now except I work a varying schedule so that is not practical. I had considered the bus system, but the current system going up Murfreesboro road is not practical as it takes way too long to get to Nashville. I guarantee I would ride a rail system if there were flexible hours that it would run. I hope you are able to get something done as our future depends on it. Thanks for listening.

Bruce Krapf
2216 Alydar Run
Murfreesboro, TN 37127  ph 615.866.4534
Yes. Yes. Yes.
Long overdue.
I would be glad to "hop the train" if I could in Nashville.
I'm mass transit user in Atlanta. I plan my OTR accommodations around Marta,
both trips downtown as well other points of interest. My car is usually
parked at the hotel while I'm there.

I'm a frustrated mass transit user in Nashville.
It's always a frustration that I have to come home to Nashville and to high
car usage. I have tried planning my daily travels around our present bus
system. I end up using the car because the bus system does not fit my
schedule or travel plans at all.

I wish you strength and perseverance to see the project through.
Lila Griffin
320 Welch Rd, H-4
Nashville, TN 37211
McAteer, James (Planning)

From: dave miller [edgware.expat@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2004 11:23 AM
To: mcateer@nashvillempo.org
Subject: Commuter transportation.

Will there be a meeting for the Gallatin - Nashville corridor, similar to the MRO meeting at the library tomorrow?

Apart from the long overdue need for commuter transportation (be it BRT or rail, etc for the worker bee's). There is a tremendous pent up demand that nobody has ever considered. I am referring to the average citizen trapped in the outlying districts. These include 1000's of retirees, non-drivers and students alike, that need to be able to travel between their neighborhoods and downtown Nashville, for business, hospital visits, and part time jobs. They are at present limited exclusively to the MTA bus service, taxi's or staying at home.

The various proposals of transportation that are being discussed, will open up the whole area to travel for these individuals, allowing them freedom from being trapped in their communities. Weekend travel seems to be also a strong possibility for many citizens, who will use the transportation system to travel to downtown events, boosting business downtown. The reverse would work as well, with tourists who are visiting Nashville, having an option to visit outlying communities. What a relief that would have been last weekend, when I spent well over an hour on the Interstate each way, fighting traffic delays and congestion, trying to get to the Uncle Dave Macon Days in Murfreesboro fro Hendersonville.

I seriously doubt that commuter run for the folks employed in Nashville, will be cost effective, but if the planners of this project, realize and plan for the future beyond commuter transportation, and that the proposed system should not be exclusive to commuters going to work, but as a necessity for the general public. Then the addition revenues from these other users of the system, might make the entire project a viable and profitable one.

The motto for the MRO meetings should be "You can't get there from here!"

Thanks
Dave

7/13/2004
McAteer, James (Planning)

From: Lynnisse Roehrich-Patrick [Lynnisse.Roehrich-Patrick@state.tn.us]
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2004 11:58 AM
To: mcatee@nashvilempo.org
Subject: a few thoughts on the SE corridor

Please see attached.

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Director of Special Projects
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7/16/2004
First, improve existing arterials so short trips are not pushed onto Interstates—even school buses are using Interstates, for crying out loud

- Better [some?] signal synchronization
- More turning bays
- Reduce curb cuts—yes eliminate some existing curb cuts
- Consolidate existing driveways; outlaw new ones on all state routes
- Replace signalized [or stop-signed] four-way intersections with
  - Roundabouts
  - Couplets
  - And as a last resort, grade separations at major intersections

Second, develop cost-effective mass transit system starting w/Bus Rapid Transit including the following features

- Priority at all traffic lights
- HOV lane priority—enforce HOV exclusions!
- Parking co-located with other desired services, such as retail nodes and public schools—use existing over-sized lots such as superstores
- Pre-ticketing to speed boarding [think subway turnstiles]
- Well-sheltered waiting areas, protected from weather extremes

Third, integrate land uses to create attractive, multi-use parking nodes for mass transit

- Consider that SOV drivers will not go out of their way to access mass transit; give them more than one reason to go there
- Consider how SOV drivers live and why they prefer SOVs—and put those things at the mass transit parking nodes
  - Drop off the kids
  - Pick up the laundry
  - Grocery shopping
  - Refueling
  - Dining and entertainment venues
- Provide shuttles to transport to job destination from nearest node; encourage large employers to provide or fund
- Offer free and timely emergency transport to home car park

Fourth, forget light/commuter rail until we have the population density to justify it—DC had twice the density we have when it implemented the Metro

Fifth, delay start of the school day to spread rush hour traffic and reduce peak volumes—consider how this fits with parking/school node usage [above]; high school students aren’t fully awake that early anyway [don’t laugh; studies prove it]

- Anyone who drives in Nashville is well aware of the difference this makes when school is out.
McAteer, James (Planning)

From: James Davis [jdavis@kingballow.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2004 4:35 PM
To: mcateer@nashvillemopo.org
Subject: Southeast Corridor Transit

I am a resident of Smyrna, Tennessee, in the Southeast Transit Corridor.

It seems to me that one alternative that is not being considered is to build a rail transit system along the I-24 right-of-way.

Such alternatives are done in other cities (ex: Chicago—Dan Ryan Expressway rail tracks; Atlanta—Georgia Hwy. 400 rail tracks; St. Louis—rail tracks near airport use freeway ROW. This method of using freeway ROW is also used in other cities, such as Washington, D.C.)

There is certainly enough room to build such a corridor in the I-24 ROW, especially in Rutherford County and the outlying sections of I-24 in Davidson County. Either light or heavy rail rapid transit could be used in such a corridor. Even commuter rail could be installed there. In places where the ROW is too narrow, and it would be too expensive or difficult or impossible to widen, the tracks could be elevated on platforms above the freeway lanes, similar to the ramps being installed at the I-40 / White Bridge Rd./ Briley Pkwy. interchange on the west, or the elevated tracks in Chicago. Freeway under and overpasses are good locations for rail stations.

The Southeast Corridor line could be the initial line of a regional system, using each interstate ROW, with a central station near the existing Union Station — Gulch area.

The alternatives put forth have these problems:

1. No solution alternative: Such solution will only make a bad problem worse, if little or nothing is done more than what is already planned. Widening roads is a no solution alternative. It will be expensive and difficult to widen I-24 and other roads any more than they already have been widened. Also, that will just attract more traffic, and make an already big problem, bigger. If you are going to spend the money on roads, you may as well spend the money on the above suggestion, and build an I-24 track corridor.

2. Rapid bus: The problem with the solution is, unless you separate the HOV lanes from the other traffic with a retaining wall, the busses will sit in traffic with the other cars and trucks, which dart in and out of the existing, open lanes. The lanes also are used by single-passenger lane violators, and back-up. Other drivers will see that, not view Rapid Bus as a viable alternative, and not use it, thereby defeating the purpose of that alternative. If you do it, you need to build separate, limited access busways. That may be effective.

3. Light Rail: This sounds promising, but for it to be efficient, safe and effective, there should be some means to separate it from grade traffic. (See my I-24 ROW suggestion above.) You don’t want to do it like they did in Houston. Their grade-level system has accidents with cars, and at least one fatality. We have enough of those problems already, and shouldn’t add to the problem.

4. Commuter Rail: This would be a viable, and probably the best alternative. The problem is, the way it is proposed to be implemented depends too much on cooperation with and from the CSX Railroad. If you could build a separate commuter rail corridor, that would be better. (See my I-24 ROW suggestion above.)
5. **T SMA's:** These are low-cost, good alternatives, but they have limited effectiveness, and will not be effective in reducing freeway traffic. The bus aspect of this will not attract enough riders out of their cars to be effective.

6. **A combination of all these alternatives:** Is something that should be considered.

I was not able to attend the meetings, but am very interested in discussing alternatives. I can be contacted at the above e-mail address, or at home address. Please contact me about future meetings:

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McAteer, James (Planning)

From: James Davis [jdavis@kingballow.com]
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Subject: Southeast Corridor Transit

Another reason I suggested building the rail transit system along the I-24 right-of-way, is that it would greatly reduce the cost and problems with acquiring ROW for a new system. The I-24 ROW exists and is there, waiting to be used. Without the land expense, and the expense and problems of fighting NIMBY lawsuits, zoning changes, etc., the cost and time involved with building such a system would be greatly reduced.
If you are looking as far ahead as 25 years worth of congestion you should be looking at a system that incorporates commuter train and interurban/light rail on the same set of tracks. During rush hours commuter trains would carry the traffic that was primarily work-related and during the off-peak hours street cars that would utilize the same tracks and extend as far as Chattanooga via Murfreesboro. The rest of the state should be interconnected in the same manner, via Nashville, from Memphis to the Tri-Cities. Long range planning dictates something other than the additional pouring of concrete, I believe high-speed rail addresses the forseeable problems. Thank you, Daniel Franks, 460 Swamp Rd. Eagleville, Tn. 37060

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From: Kathy Smith [kwsmith@marykay.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2004 8:38 PM
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Subject: Rail System

I am going to be out of town when the meetings are going to be held to discuss a possible rail system serving Murfreesboro & Nashville and I just want to voice my wholehearted support. This is something that is decades overdue.

Thank you,

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7/19/2004
Jim,

Below are the reader comments from the Daily News Journal’s editorial about the Southeast Corridor project that ran yesterday.

-Craig

Reader Submitted Opinions:
By: Curious <members.ez?Who=Curious> on 07/15/04
I wonder if something could be worked out with the Feds in order to be able to impose temporary toll booths on all the I-24 entry ramps between Murfreesboro and Nashville and charge $1 a car during rush hours in order to raise the needed money. I wonder if commuters would consider it a good investment.

My biggest question regarding a light rail system is ... will riders be able to easily get to their ultimate destinations in the Nashville area?

Will people who are so used to getting into their cars in their driveways and driving directly to a parking lot near their work be willing to drive to a station, wait for a train, learn the bus schedule that will get them to work in Nashville (waiving in all kinds of weather for that connection) and then repeat the process to get back to their driveway at the end of the day? People do it all the time in other metropolitan areas, but will the commuters here be willing to make the switch?

By: tsnook <members.ez?Who=tsnook> on 07/15/04
If mass transit can pay for itself with user fees I'll be for it.
If we the taxpayers have to foot much or most of the cost, forget it.
It could turn into another Amtrack, another government program that we pay and pay and pay for and will continue to pay for as long as it exists.

By: jellers <members.ez?Who=jellers> on 07/15/04
Curious - good points but after living in the northwest suburbs of Chicago and working in the loop area of downtown (35 mile drive) - I can tell you that it is a pleasure sitting in a train reading a paper and zipping by all of the cars stuck in gridlock. The time spent waiting for a train and getting to your ultimate destination is much less than if you drive the whole way.

One money is spent on Rail the there will be no more lanes built and the route from M'boro to Nashville will become a parking lot as Rutherford county begins to grow - using the rail will not be a choice but a necessity.

By: Blairdale <members.ez?Who=blairdale> on 07/15/04
Curious, I've been subjected to the endless string of toll booths in the northeast and I would fight tooth and nail to prevent such a thing from ever being established here. They do nothing but create traffic jams that make the ones we have here look like a picnic.

How about selling PSL's to those who would use the train service instead of looking for someone else to pay for their free ride. Everywhere these things exist, they require huge ongoing taxpayer subsidies. I understand that it is to the tune of $18 per passenger in Connecticut. Isn't that the same state some people want to pattern our tax system after too?

Why don't they just turn the silly HOV lane into a bus lane and then establish a bus system that makes sense. Not everyone works in downtown Nashville. There needs to be some connection points in the outlying areas, not just in downtown.

By: Bosda <members.ez?Who=Bosda> on 07/15/04
I would favor a light rail/trolley system.
It would be fairly cheap, easily expandable, and Murfreesboro's old 19th Century train station could be restored to its original beauty.

New trolley stations could be built at Hickory Hollow Mall, & elsewhere. Made of wood or brick, & patterned after old 19th Century stations, they would be both handsome, useful, & inexpensive.

By: GrumpaEd <members.ez?Who=GrumpaEd> on 07/15/04
To say that the interstate would become a parking lot and that future lanes would not be needed is a "pipe dream." I visited
Chicago a few weeks ago, actually the northwest suburbs, and found the traffic on all expressways maxed out during the work week with stop and go traffic during rush hours. Their commuter system is one of the best, servicing the surrounding areas, even into Indiana and Wisconsin, and is utilized by many.

What is initially needed is a good bus system coordinated with Nashville, followed up with a rail system with similar coordination. These systems must run continuously as people need them and use them.
By: dstninc <members.ez?Who=dstninc> on 07/15/04
Temporary toll booth? Is that kin to the temporary wheel sticker they passed almost 35 years ago?
By: jstrong <members.ez?Who=jstrong> on 07/15/04
I agree with Tsnook, if we taxpayers have to pay for the rail system on top of what we pay for now...I say no! My city and county taxes just went up...guess it was a reappraisal of my house...that is how the officials conveniently say they didn't raise property taxes...it was the reappraisal that did it! I am not too happy a camper at this point to hear about more and more things to be done, to be paid for, when we, as a county and city, cannot pay for the new growth we have now! Let's just say....TRY IMPACT FEES!
By: Curious <members.ez?Who=Curious> on 07/15/04
The toll idea was intended to be tongue in cheek ... I just had this vision of people throwing dollar bills out their windows in the hopes of, one day, having another choice to what exists now.

There have been some good ideas in these opines ... hope all who have to participate in the tangled interstate mess 2X a day will stay involved with the process of finding a solution.
By: jeilers <members.ez?Who=jeilers> on 07/15/04
Grumpa - If you were responding to me in regards to additional lanes not being required - that is not what I meant to infer.

In Chicago lanes are required as you said as every hour is rush hour - but the argument becomes "use the mass transit" so getting additional lanes is impossible to fund.
Hello, my name is Bryan Collins. I am a resident of Rutherford County. The purpose of my email is to add to the discussion on commuter rails and the future of travel in the Greater Nashville area.

By occupation, I am a community planner with the State Dept of ECD. As a fellow planner, I have been exposed to ways of looking at planning and development from a variety of perspectives, which affects my thoughts as a commuter and homeowner. As a daily commuter to Nashville, I understand firsthand the intentions of these discussions, and I wish to share my thoughts on the subject matter.

My point I wish to make here is that I am strongly in favor of Greater Nashville implementing a light rail system in the near future. I see so many advantages to having this in place versus the interstate commute.

Due to my schedule, it will be difficult for me to attend any of these meetings. However, I desire to make some of my thoughts known.

Thank you for listening,

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The three main objectives of Mass Transit are 1.) to reduce traffic, 2.) save money, and 3.) move people quickly and conveniently from point A to point B.

Justification for each objective:

**Need for Traffic Reduction**

- Increasing traffic counts along interstate and other major routes during peak hours by both passenger vehicles and commercial vehicles; steady increase in both commuter traffic and out-of-state travelers
- Traffic delays due to collisions and disabled vehicles
- Interaction between passenger vehicles and commercial vehicles, which causes for greater potential for traffic collisions
- Major routes being repeatedly inhibited by construction to repair damaged and inferior overpasses and road widening projects

**Need for Saving Money**

- Rising number of travelers, commercial vehicles, and commuters cause for rising costs of repairing and replacing asphalt and concrete surfaces
- Rising cost to both taxpayers and to property owners for acquisitions of land for rights-of-way expansion, sound barriers and landscaping
- Cost to the state (and taxpayers) in maintaining Federally-mandated emissions standards
- Rising costs to the consumer in insurance rates due to traffic-related collisions and increasing traffic volume in the Nashville and Greater Nashville area
- Rising needs in other areas of State and local spending competes with infrastructure needs for monies and funds, which comes as an overall increase to the taxpayers

**Need for Moving People Quickly and Conveniently**

- Nashville is home to several major events throughout the year, ranging from music to sports to academic events that cause for parking issues and for convenient traffic flow during these times
- The introduction of sports arenas, music arenas, convention centers and symphony halls over the past 10 years has created a limitation to parking and will only increase as more events are scheduled
- As mentioned above, increased traffic counts and usage of major routes has caused for the usual time of commute to increase and become inconvenient, especially for local traffic

**Thoughts on Mass Transit**

There are very tangible and practical reasons for implementing Bus Rapid Transit and Light Rail systems. If Nashville and Greater Nashville could implement a system, a system much like Atlanta’s MARTA could be patterned and possibly experience similar results. Each time I visit Atlanta, GA, I admire the usage of the MARTA mass transit system and visualize how such a system could be implemented in the Greater Nashville area.

The MARTA lines are located near bulk freight lines, and within the interstate right-of-ways. It appears that, instead of further road-widening of I-65, 24, and 40, light rail lines could be located in the interstate ROW to better utilize the existing land in the Greater Nashville area, limiting the amount of additional acquisitions of lands. Locating a rail system away from the CSX lines would be beneficial, since it would take modifying the lines for light rail compatibility and cooperation with CSX. Abandoned rail lines and beds could be rejuvenated for light rail use. The Union Station area could be modified to become the central point for all light rail lines to converge, much like Atlanta’s Five Points area.

The monies for implementation of light rail could be generated by Federal funds, since improvement and maintenance funding is earmarked for the interstate system. Whatever funds remain to be raised could be generated from people living within the Greater Nashville counties and municipalities that will be utilizing
the rail service. In addition, a low-cost fare for travelers outside of the Greater Nashville area could be raised.

The existing Bus Transit could be expanded to transport travelers from the rail hubs to centralized locations.

The Commuter Rail option should be modified to handle trans-state traffic, i.e., Memphis to Nashville to Bristol, and Clarksville to Nashville to Chattanooga travelers. The idea of “bullet trains” or expansion of Amtrak lines could be more pliable for these issues. Discussions on a train system from Chattanooga to Atlanta have been discussed recently, which could provide expansion to Nashville or Knoxville/Bristol in the near future.
McAteer, James (Planning)

From: John and Hillary Hewitt [jhjhj@earthlink.net]
Sent: Saturday, August 14, 2004 10:57 PM
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Subject: Traffic/Transit Study of Corridor from Nashville to Murfreesboro

Dear Mr. McAteer:

Re: Traffic/Transit Study of Corridor from Nashville to Murfreesboro

We are writing to provide our comments on improvements to transit between La Vergne/Smyrna and Nashville, the portion of the traffic and transit study of interest to us.

We were faithful users of the Metro bus system when we lived in Antioch, and assumed when we moved to La Vergne that similar opportunities to use the bus would be available to us. We use the Sam Ridley west Exit # 66 off I-24 to commute to work, and assumed that express bus service would be available with a park-and-ride lot near I-24.

Before we moved to a large subdivision in La Vergne, we knew there was an "R&R" Express bus #96 that is advertised as serving Smyrna and La Vergne, and assumed that it used I-24 and probably stopped at I-24 Exit 66 where we could easily use it. Imagine our surprise when we learned that the "Express" #96 bus is actually a local bus that drives up Murfreesboro Road, probably stopping every few hundred feet, all the way to Briley Parkway, where it finally hops on I-24 for a few miles into Nashville. For this, Smyrna and La Vergne passengers pay express fare rates! Since we live a couple of miles west of I-24, we would have to drive six or seven miles to catch this bus, and of course find this transit option, if you can call it that, totally unacceptable.

So far we have also been unable to find a van pool to join from our area, because we do not want to be the drivers, just riders. Apparently no one else wants to drive a van, either, because we contacted Metro and they tried to set up a van pool for us.

Our proposal for appropriate transit service to this area is simple: a bus that serves Sam Ridley Parkway (Exit 66) and goes up I-24 instead of Murfreesboro Road. Since we are one of what must be hundreds of cars we see getting on I-24 at Sam Ridley at about 7:00 AM every weekday, we would think there would be a market for bus service there, especially as gasoline prices rise. We would settle for a single ride time in and out of Nashville, though it's much better service if two ride times are provided, and is more likely to attract riders.

We aren't so foolish as to think that a bus would drive in or near the subdivisions popping up all around us, since right now there isn't even a single bus at the Exit, so we would certainly be happy with a park-and-ride lot or two near the Sam Ridley Exit. The park-and-ride lot we have seen near the Interstate is probably totally inadequate for viable bus service, so we would propose the use of willing business parking lots nearby for bus parking, unless and until a better lot could be justified and funded by government. We assume that since most traffic comes from the east, a bus route of some sort could be planned that goes down Sam Ridley a few miles east of the Interstate to attract riders. What would help us the most, though (assuming no subdivision service), since we live west of the Interstate, would be a bus stop.

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and park-and-ride permission at the huge parking lot on Sam Ridley used by O'Charley's and the now-defunct I-24 Expo, just west of the Interstate.

As you can see, our proposal is modest, inexpensive (a few blue signs and a bus or two), easy and quick to establish, and potentially has hundreds of riders if advertised and promoted properly, and if decent buses are used to attract and keep ridership. We hope such action could be taken really soon.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

John L. Hewitt
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From:  Albert R. Butler Jr. [albutler@comcast.net]
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To:    James McAteer
Subject: TN Mass Transit Comments 07-13-04
Importance: High

As we discussed this AM.

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July 13, 2004

Re: Nashville Area MPO Public Hearing- Murfreesboro TN

I have ridden on mass transit in New York and surrounding areas; Washington D.C.; BART around San Francisco; Chicago IL and surrounding suburbs; London England and surrounding countryside; Atlanta GA and its surrounding suburbs. Cleveland OH. They each made mistakes and got much of their customer service right.

Also I have driven on Interstate routes from Maine to Miami to Houston and San Antonio, Carlsbad Caverns, Tucson AZ, to Salt Lake City UT, to Yellowstone, to Dallas TX to Kansas City, MO to St. Louis to Indianapolis to Chicago to Dayton and Columbus OH to Cleveland OH, Youngstown OH, Pittsburg to Philadelphia PA, Seattle WA to Medford OR to San Francisco to Los Angeles to San Diego CA. Nashville to Roanoke VA, to Memphis TN, to Chattanooga to Atlanta GA to Savannah GA to Jacksonville and Tampa FL.

Along these routes I have seen the greatest, the good, the poor, the bad and the worst examples of Interstate construction-planning. With the above as my basis I offer the following suggestions for the Southeastern Mass Transit planning:

a. Utilize electric trains for the major trunk routes. This will avoid the smog and pollutants that busses emit. The San Francisco BART found this to also be a quieter solution when going thru neighborhoods.

b. Busses in dedicated Bus lanes between Interstate routes would just cause more congestion at station exits. This increases safety hazards already faced by interstate travelers.

c. Parallel existing rail lines but up on elevated piers. They came down for stations. In San Francisco proper they buried some of the lines as you may have to in Nashville to serve the stadium, riverfront, State Office and Capitol Buildings.

d. The trunk line should extend on southeast to Bell Buckle, Wartrace, Normandy and Tullahoma. People from Tullahoma and in between commute daily to Murfreesboro, Smyrna, La Vergne and Nashville. Conversely people commute from all of these and Lebanon to Arnold Air Force Base at Tullahoma.

e. In the Murfreesboro Area Main line stops should be established at:
   1. Thompson Lane with a feeder line going to the three Seigel Schools thence
down Regency Park Drive to Haynes back to Thompson Lane back to the station thence south along Thompson to The new Medical complex and Hospital; then continue along Thompson La to Wal-mart and the mall, Across Old Fort with stops at the major businesses and then across I-24 to Cason Lane, Left on River Rock thru the Verizon Lot, past Old Pottery around behind and alongside the Regal Movie Theater, thence back on Cason Lane to go left past Kroger and Kohls to SAM's Club back to Thompson Lane to the main line stop with stops along the route including the Medical complex.

2. We should look at the multi station routes in Atlanta GA in developing a responsive transit system for Murfreesboro.

3. From the Thompson Lane stop another feeder could go SE on Broad to Northfield, stopping in the Kroger plaza thence along Northfield to Memorial and on to TN96 Lascassas Pike to Tennessee Blvd to MTSU. Continue on Tennessee Blvd to East Main out to Rutherford Blvd. Thence back to Northfield and returning out on Broad St to the Thompson LN stop.

4. Establish a stop at the old Rail Station with plenty of parking Hub routes to MTSU, The Mall and Cason Lane as above.

5. Establish a hub route out memorial stopping at the VA hospital, on out to Walter Hill and back thru Sulphur Springs Road to Memorial Thence back to the Hub station

6. Establish a hub route that would go to LasCassas and points in between with a swing by MTSU Thence back to the Hub thence out Old Fort to St Rt 99 and out to Eagleville and return.

7. Establish a Citizen advisory groups to work out the route needs around each of Murfreesboro, Smyrna and La Vergne.

8/30/2004
I am Linda James
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I am interested in the southeast corridor high performance transit alternatives study from Murfreesboro to Smyrna and Murfreesboro to Nashville. I live in Murfreesboro very near MTSU and work very near the Smyrna airport at Tennessee Rehabilitation Center. I feel that this service could benefit me in my work situation and has the potential to help many of our clients who are disabled. Transportation is a serious issue for many of our students who would be able to get employment in the Nashville area if reliable transportation is available.
Thanks for any information you can provide.
LJ

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From: Tennessee Prompters/MediaMan Productions [info@tennesseeprompters.com]
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To: mcateer@nashvilletempo.org
Subject: Southeast Corridor Feedback

Jim... I have lived in Tennessee since 1980 when I moved to Murfreesboro to finish my degree at MTSU. I have been working in Nashville since 1982, first commuting from Murfreesboro, then moving to Lavengne and Smyrna (to be halfway) and then ultimately moving to Nashville in 1985. I continue to attend activities on MTSU's campus and have several good friends who live in Smyrna, Murfreesboro and Woodbury. I say all this to point out that I am VERY familiar with every inch of road between Nashville and Murfreesboro.

I am the president of my neighborhood association (whose territory is bordered by the Nashville to Murfreesboro CSX rail line) and am also a business owner and the former owner of a transportation-based company. So, as you can tell, I have a keen interest in the proposed Southeast Corridor.

I'm all for a commuter line from Murfreesboro to Nashville. As a businessman and fiscal conservative I'd like to see this corridor run on the existing CSX rail line so that the massive cost of land purchase and new construction can be minimized. I think we need to put stations in logical, convenient (to the user) locations at major road intersections (with the existing CSX track) and if Interchange City or Dell Corporation or Stonecrest Hospital want to run shuttle service to the closest station then great, let's accommodate that. I don't think we should attempt to zig-zag new tracks and right-of-ways ping pong style in order to locate commuter stations near to these (or any other) locations, especially private businesses.

I do think an exception should be made for the airport, however, I'm
not sure that it wouldn't be more logical to have a commuter go from Murfreesboro/Smyrna/Lavergne into Nashville to the "main station" and then take a second line that would (or may I say "should") run regularly from downtown to the airport.

When designing this corridor, please do not repeat the mistakes of Nashville's bus service which presumes that everyone using their buses wants them Monday through Friday and only at certain times of the day. The problem is that many of us don't have rigid hours of employment and/or have the need to work late, come in early to work or come in over the weekend. If you want people to use your service regularly, then you must run regularly, and that doesn't just mean on time, but at all times. Sure, you'll offer fewer trains less frequently during off-hours, but if you really want this thing to fly you can't just obsess over the rush hour commuters at rush hour only. Shopping happens at night and on weekends. Airplanes depart and arrive at all times of the day and night. I realize that the numbers must be there to justify the service, but if you shoot too low, and only offer limited rush hour service right from the start, then it will be a long, long time before the line really catches on.

Lastly, and there will be some in my neighborhood who will disagree with me, I'd like for you consider locating a commuter station in our neighborhood, at the intersection of Thompson Lane and the CSX rail line. Not only does Thompson Lane have nearby access to Interstate 24 (at Briley Parkway) and Murfreesboro Road, but there are numerous apartment complexes nearby and several large, undeveloped lots which could accommodate a train station and car parking. A commuter station at that location would expand employment opportunities for those apartment dwellers and would assist the small businesses nearby that have suffered with the opening of the new Kroger just down the road. The areas that the parking and station could be located on are not developed and especially any development on the land located North
of the intersection (behind Dairy King and the car shops) would be an improvement over what is currently located there.

Got to run for now, but your web site said you wanted feedback so there it is. Hope it helps. (:> Will Reynolds
Hello,

Sorry I had to skip out on the meeting. There was one thing I wanted to bring up on project selection criteria, and that has to do with timing. A good example would be to consider the corridor east of Nashville. Once the I-40 project is complete and there are added lanes to reduce motor vehicle delay, the Music City Star will open. About a year or so later, the bike/ped bridge will be complete to connect the Stones River Greenway to downtown which will offer a first rate route for bike commuters. What if these projects had been reversed? Think of the thousands of people who would have been tempted to use alternative modes to escape the construction delays. One of the best motivations to use alternative modes is congestion. We lost a good opportunity. To be honest, I cannot think of any successful transit systems that run along interstates that are rarely congested.

At the very least, TDOT (and the MPO) should make an effort to offer the alternatives first.

Keep up the good work.

Glen

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Regarding commuter rail, I am constantly amazed by the apparent disinterest of CSX in sharing railroad right of way. Can you tell me how the railroads came to have absolute ownership of their tracks and right of way? When originally built, didn’t the railroads gain their right of way from the government which ceded the land to them to promote the public good? Granted, shipment of goods by freight trains serves a public good (and earns a profit for investors); however, don’t railroads, CSX included, have an obligation to the public to share their right of way just as airlines must share the skies?

Maybe I have missed it, but I have not seen this issue debated.

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A commuter rail is a great idea.

Ethan Chastain
Mr. McAteer,

Here are a few comments regarding the six alternatives for the Southeast Corridor Transist study:

First, I am very pleased that this study is being undertaken, and do anticipate that this will result in an efficient transit system. My ideal of good system would be cost effective for riders, be independent of existing traffic areas (so that a freeway blocked by an accident would not effect the transit system), and would have a good balance of stops (enough, but not too many) to be effective. Locally, it should have several stops in the more urban (downtown Nashville and Murfreesboro) areas. I also suggest that the system operate throughout the day, instead of being merely a commuter system that operates only during morning and afternoon rush hours.

For the record, I reside in the Hickory Hollow area, (although we are looking to move to the Smyrna area in 2005) and work in the downtown Nashville area.

Here are my comments:

My first choice is #1. Its distinguishing features is that is has a good balance of stops (probably the maximum without having too many), and has several downtown Nashville stops. I also like the idea of locating next to I-24.

My second choice is #4. Although it has fewer stops than #1 (perhaps too few stops), it does have several stops in downtown Nashville.

Third would be #3. My primary comment is that this option appears to have one stop in downtown Nashville at the Clement Landport.

Next would be # 5. My concern with this option is the Murfreesboro Road corridor – this may not be a wise choice.

Alternatives that use existing traffic lanes (Alternative #2 and # 6) would seem to result in less traffic lanes for current vehicle traffic. Although the goal is to have less cars through the use of the transit system, it would seem that taking traffic lanes away would be a step backward. Therefore, these I consider these options as not good choices.

Again, my thanks for undertaking this study. I look forward to a nice transit system in the future!

Regards,

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McAteer, James (Planning)

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Subject: SE Transit Study

Jim,

I recently found out about the transit study from Murfreesboro to Nashville by reading today's Nashville City Paper cover story, and am interested in attending the meetings and maybe providing some comments. As a lifelong Rutherford county resident who is now working in downtown Nashville, this very much interests me.

I believe that Southerners would abandon their cars if a fast, quiet alternative was in place. I believe that most people are reluctant to consider mass transit because they think of noisy, polluting buses that make a million stops on the way, thus taking a long time to get anywhere. Another big factor is time. People are afraid of getting on a bus/train if the think they could get to their destination much, much quicker by driving themselves. They'd rather spend the extra money for gas than take a chance on being late or missing a bus. Accurate schedules on a frequent basis would be needed.

I read where Old Nashville Highway is being considered as a possible transit route. While I do not know the specifics of this, I have a few comments about this proposal:
1) Old Nashville Highway only connects Murfreesboro to LaVergne, and is much closer to Murfreesboro Road than the Interstate. It has been my observation that during rush hours, most people use Old Nashville Highway only as a tool to get to the Interstate or Murfreesboro Road (Hwy 41) in the mornings, and to get directly to their homes in the evenings.
2) There are 2 schools in Smyrna on Old Nashville Highway, and school traffic can be heavy during school times.
3) Much of Old Nashville Highway is highly residential, so much of the traffic revolves around people going to and from their neighborhoods.

I am for rapid transit to/from Murfreesboro and Nashville. I feel that whichever plan is chosen, it should relieve traffic on the 2 major roadways into Nashville—Murfreesboro Road and I-24. I'd hate to see something involve Old Nashville Highway when that roadway isn't a connector and wouldn't solve any long term problems.

Do you know the date and location for the next meeting?
Thanks,

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Subject: Southeast Corridor

I live and work in Murfreesboro. The city that has a rapid transit system most like what I might use is Atlanta. When I do travel to Davidson Co. it is to eat in the west end/ downtown area, go to predator/titans game, go to the airport, or shop. When I have stayed in Atlanta I have had easy access to Buckhead, downtown/Georgia Dome, and the midtown areas. And those areas not directly along the MARTA line had easy bus access.

I think the Murfreesboro Road area would be the best approach starting at a designated parking area on the NW side of Murfreesboro, going past Nissan, Hickory Hollow, Dell, and into downtown. People might complain that the transit system doesn't take them to the front door of their work or pleasure destination, but as long as there are ample buses at the various stops, it would still work.

I also think you don't need too many stops in Rutherford Co. Murfreesboro, Nissan, and Interchange are plenty. If it takes significantly much more time to get to downtown, then people will just ride in their car. You are going to have to convince people of their need to ride the transit system. Because the need on your end is to get people off the congested roadways, and you have to convince people that the transit is the best method. I think rising gas prices is a good approach. Once they see how much gas they waste each year, transit is a no brainer.

I would also begin approaching service type groups like quick marts, post offices to service those potential stop areas so riders won't have to make additional stops. They can just get their cup of coffee/ newspaper/ stamps at the transit station. With the hour it might take to get to downtown you could even promote a literacy/reading program so people don't feel like that hour is just wasted. They could be reading a book/ newspaper like they do on the Boston transit system. Just some initial thoughts.

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From: Jeanne Stevens [Jeanne.Stevens@state.in.us]
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Subject: Re: Restoration of passenger rail service

Ms. George-Wix:

Thanks for taking the time to e-mail us at TDOT Comments.

Rail and other forms of rapid transit are definitely being pursued in response to growing traffic congestion - not just by TDOT but also at the regional level, by the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization.

You may be interested to know that active planning is happening right now for a rapid transit line that would connect Nashville and Murfreesboro. For additional information, you can visit their website at http://www.setransitstudy.com/. I believe they would be glad to know of your support for this type of transportation. Plans will also start this year for the Nashville-Gallatin corridor that you mentioned! The Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization will lead that planning effort. To contact them, you can send e-mail to contact@nashvillempo.org

Finally, you may have heard about the construction of a commuter rail line connecting Nashville and Lebanon, which is expected to start service in about a year. For more on that project, you can visit http://www.rta-ride.org/services/rail/index.html

Regards,
Jeanne Stevens

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I am for the restoration of passenger rail service. I believe that if properly publicized, and approached, the public would see the merits of a state rail system. A rail system could enhance the state's tourist industry and relieve some of the traffic congestion on our interstate highways, and produce new jobs.

I would support a rail system, and use it if the ticket prices were worthwhile. Specifically, I would like to see a Gallatin-Nashville run, as an enhancement to a possible cross-state route.

I will continue to watch for future developments.

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Hello,

Thanks for this opportunity to share my opinion. I have visited Miami/Metro Dade Co. Florida. There county is very big and spread out with numerous small cities within. One thing I noticed was lots of interstate with lots of traffic however above the interstate and beside it at times was a monorail type train sliding along far more faster than traffic. It had fronts on both ends so that traveling each direction it was as it was going forward. I didn't have the opportunity to ride but was really impressed. I am sure that it is a major relief to many inner city travelers. I for one here in Nashville would ride something as such into Downtown for Dinner or a night out providing it ran at most hours as subways in the big cities. I am not sure if these were driven/manned or not. Thank you for your time.

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From: Edwards, Lou (Planning)
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2005 4:22 PM
To: McAteer, James (Planning); Schwartz, Fred (Planning)
Subject: FW: my take on how NOT to build a bus rapid transit system

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Subject: my take on how NOT to build a bus rapid transit system

my take on bus rapid transit is that unless the buses have their own bus lanes to run on bus rapid transit should not run on crowded streets and crowded highways with cars and trucks.the city of honolulu,hawaii ran it's now-dead bus rapid rapid route in the streets with cars and trucks and it failed BIG TIME and you can check it out at www.thehawaiichannel.com/news/4130121/detail.html and check out the video.bus rapid transit should have their own lanes to run on or be built apart from the crowded streets and crowded highways.wikipedia the free online encyclopedia has information on bus rapid transit at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bus_rapid_transit .3 cities with bus rapid transit proposals are: cleveland,ohio's euclid corridor silverline at www.euclidtransit.org and check out the short video.the long island[n.y.] transportation plan 2000 at www.litp2000.com/index.html and check out the short video.the last one is the metropolitan affairs coalition speedlink of detroit,mich. at www.macweb.org/Speedlink/SpeedlinkPage.htm and check out the short video at the bottom of the page.good luck!! jonathan st.thomas

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12/19/2005
From: Westfall, Chris [cwestfall@nashvill.gannett.com]
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Subject: rail transit from Davidson to Rutherford County

We desperately need a rail system between Nashville and Murfreesboro.

The future demands it.

Christopher (Chris) Westfall
Rutherford County resident
We, in Smyrna, are anxiously awaiting a railway line that would take us into Nashville for employment and entertainment. We already have a depot that is currently being renovated as a museum that could also function as a pickup area. This would be the greatest improvement to traffic congestion on I-24 and convenience. I have been to other cities that have railways that connect to downtown areas and they are wonderful!

Please make a note that we are hoping to see this in the future.

And I hope one day to see Nashville open railway service to Florida like it use to be with the Orange Blossom Special. We went on vacation with my Grandmother many summers on that Amtrak line.

Thanks!

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Subject: Opinion - Southeast Corridor High Performance Transit Alternatives Study

I'm a resident of Murfreesboro and work downtown Nashville. Although I currently drive to work each morning, I have recently considered using the Metro Transit System instead. I currently leave around 5:30 each morning, and return home about 4 / 4:30. The biggest thing that keeps me from switching to MTA is its schedule - the Metro Transit schedule would require me to leave at about the same time each morning, arrive to work about 45 minutes later (not too bad), and then return home about two hours later than usual - resulting in a much longer day - every day...

I've stayed in West Germany and Switzerland for several short periods, and used their bus, light rail, and commuter rail systems to get from one place to the next. Those modes seemed successful in large part because of their accessibility and frequency (yes - safety, relative comfort, cost, etc. mattered, but accessibility and frequency seemed the biggest advantage). I could walk anywhere from 1 to 6 blocks or so, and ride a train, tram, etc. and arrive within a few blocks from my destination - they ran every 20 - 45 minutes, and were pretty inexpensive.

The biggest factor that would generate interest for me (and I suspect many others) would be the frequency of trains / buses / whatever. I wouldn't expect to only walk a few blocks to get to a station, but if MTA buses (or whatever commuter system) left every 30 / 45 minutes, starting at 5:30 or so, and returned to M'boro at the same pace, I'd probably switch immediately. I know it depends a lot on demand, but if the system worked closely enough to my schedule, I wouldn't hesitate.

...my two cents.
Jim Hatfield

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