

WEST PHOENIX

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LIGHT RAIL EXTENSION

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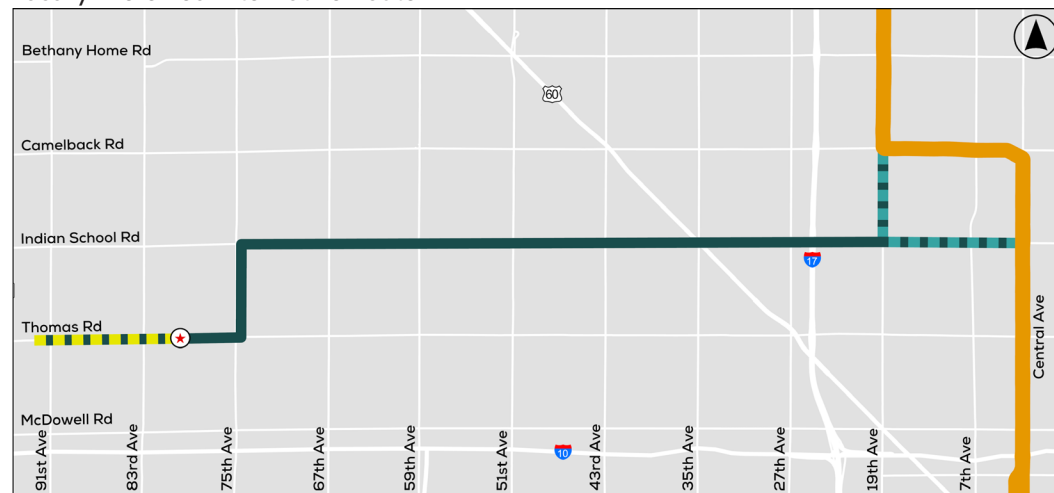
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ABOUT THE PROJECT

Starting in 2022, the West Phoenix High-Capacity Transit Alternatives Analysis studied transit options in the West Phoenix area. In May 2024, the Phoenix City Council adopted a preferred route, the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA), otherwise known as the West Phoenix Extension (WPE). The WPE was selected because:

- It demonstrated the highest ridership of all route options studied
- It serves the largest number of transit-reliant customers
- It holds the strongest economic development potential
- It serves the greatest number of affordable housing units in the area

Locally Preferred Alternative Route

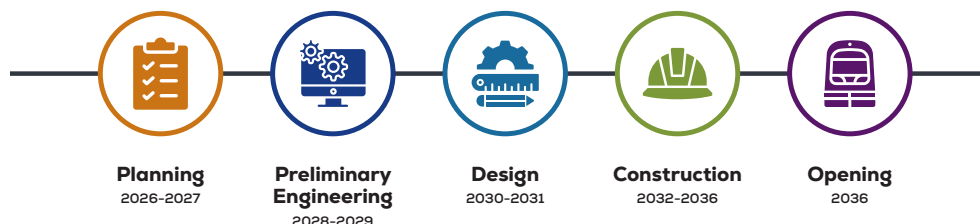


- LEGEND**
- Valley Metro Rail - B Line
 - Optional Route Extension
 - Desert Sky Transit Center
 - West Phoenix Extension Locally Preferred Alternative
 - Connection Options

- The LPA extends from the B Line in Central Phoenix, west along Indian School Road to 75th Avenue, then south to Thomas Road and then west to Desert Sky Transit Center.
- The LPA considers two potential connection points to the B Line at 19th Avenue/Camelback Road and Indian School Road/Central Avenue and an optional extension continuing west on Thomas Road, ending near Banner Estrella Medical Center.

Valley Metro will partner with the City of Phoenix and the Federal Transit Administration to explore funding opportunities while refining the LPA. This work will be done as part of the City's broader mobility planning efforts through the Transportation 2050 program.

PROJECT TIMELINE



*Preliminary timeline subject to changes

PROJECT STATUS

- Valley Metro and the City of Phoenix will conduct technical analyses and gather public feedback to further define the project, including connection to the existing B Line, potential stations, park-and-ride (PNR) locations, maintenance facility assessment and the concept of operations.

NEXT STEPS

- The project team will continue outreach and engagement with project area communities, businesses and key stakeholders.
- Once the analysis is complete, a recommendation for the updated LPA with a proposed connection point to the existing B Line will be presented to the Phoenix City Council and the Valley Metro Board for consideration.

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