



**GetOnBoardBRT**  
BUS RAPID TRANSIT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

# US 29 CAC WORKSHOPS

US 29 SOUTH CORRIDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
**BRT STATION SITING ACTIVITY BOOKLET**



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Department of Transportation



# US 29 SOUTH CAC STATION SITING EXERCISE #1: FENTON STREET

1. The project team will develop a site design for two station platforms that will be constructed along US 29 between Fenton Street and Spring Street. The platforms, one on each side of the roadway, will be approximately 14 inches high from the roadway surface.

2. Please visit the area prior to the next CAC meeting. Think about where the stations might fit in this area and what issues might need further examination. Note your observations for use in discussions at the next CAC meeting. Station platforms could feature amenities that are listed in your **BRT Station Amenity Packet**, so please look at the packet to determine which amenities make sense with respect to the existing ridership and land use characteristics.

## SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- The southbound platform is likely to experience mostly bus deboardings while the northbound platform is likely to experience mostly boarding. Thus, the amenities on the platforms may be different at each site.
- Our standard platform size is 65 feet long by 15 feet wide. Amenities such as the station identifier (marker), ticket vending machine, canopy, wind screen, and benches will be placed in this area.
- Because the platform is higher than the existing curb and sidewalk, ADA accessible ramps will be required as a transition from the platform to the sidewalk. The existing sidewalk in the area may either continue across the platform or be relocated around the platform.
- BRT vehicles are approximately 60 feet long. While our vehicles will have doors on both sides, we don't believe a median station with left door boarding is suitable for this location.
- The platforms should not be too far away from intersection crosswalks.
- BRT and local bus boardings will be accommodated in different locations. The local bus stop can likely be moved if it conflicts with the proposed BRT station.
- Boardings: This location has medium to high level of projected BRT boardings in 2020.



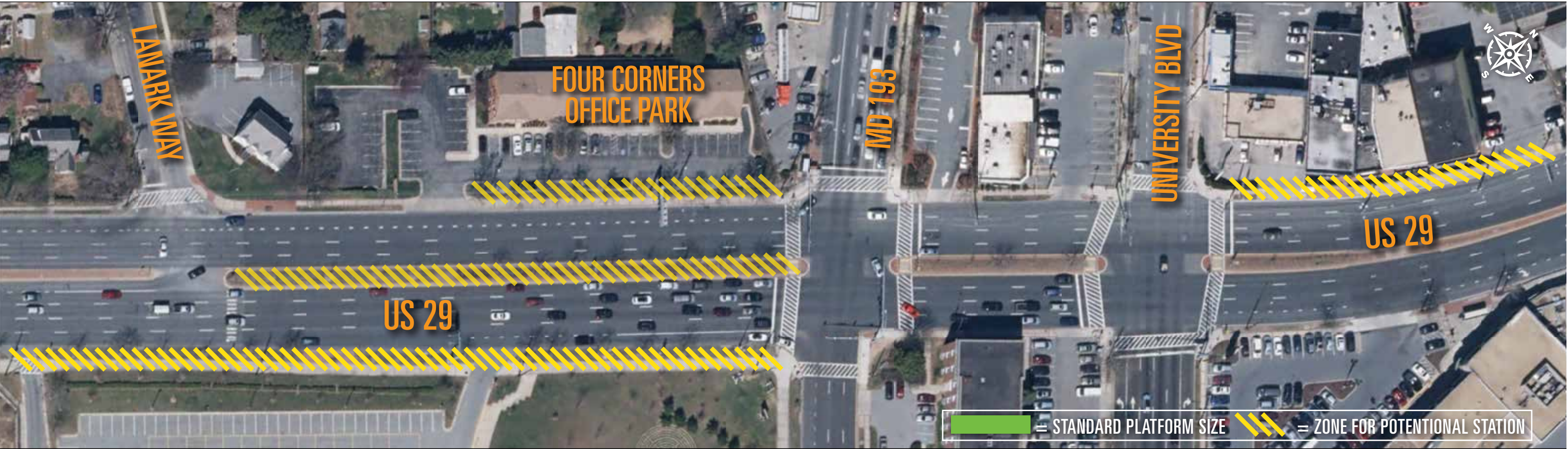


# US 29 SOUTH CAC STATION SITING EXERCISE #2: UNIVERSITY BLVD.

- 1. The project team will develop a site design for two station platforms that will be constructed along US 29 near University Boulevard. The platforms will be approximately 14 inches high from the roadway surface.
- 2. Please visit the area prior to the next CAC meeting. Think about where a station might fit in this area and what issues might need further examination. Note your observations for use in discussions at the next CAC meeting. Station platforms could feature amenities that are listed in your **BRT Station Amenity Packet**, so please look at the packet to determine which amenities make sense with respect to the existing ridership and land use characteristics.

## SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- **The northbound platform is likely to experience mostly bus deboardings while the southbound platform is likely to experience mostly boarding.** Thus, platforms may require different amenities at each site.
- **The standard platform size is 65 feet long by 15 feet wide.** Amenities such as the station identifier (marker), ticket vending machine, canopy, wind screen, and benches will be placed in this area.
- **Because the platform is higher than the existing curb and sidewalk, ADA accessible ramps will be required as a transition from the platform to the sidewalk.** The existing sidewalks in the area may either continue across the platform or be relocated around the platform.
- **BRT vehicles are approximately 60 feet long.** The vehicles will have doors on both sides which will offer the opportunity for a southbound, northbound, and/or median platforms.
- **The platforms should not be too far away from intersection crosswalks.**
- **BRT and local bus boardings will be accommodated in different locations.** The local bus stop can likely be moved if it conflicts with the proposed BRT station.
- **Boardings:** This location has medium level of projected BRT boardings in 2020.





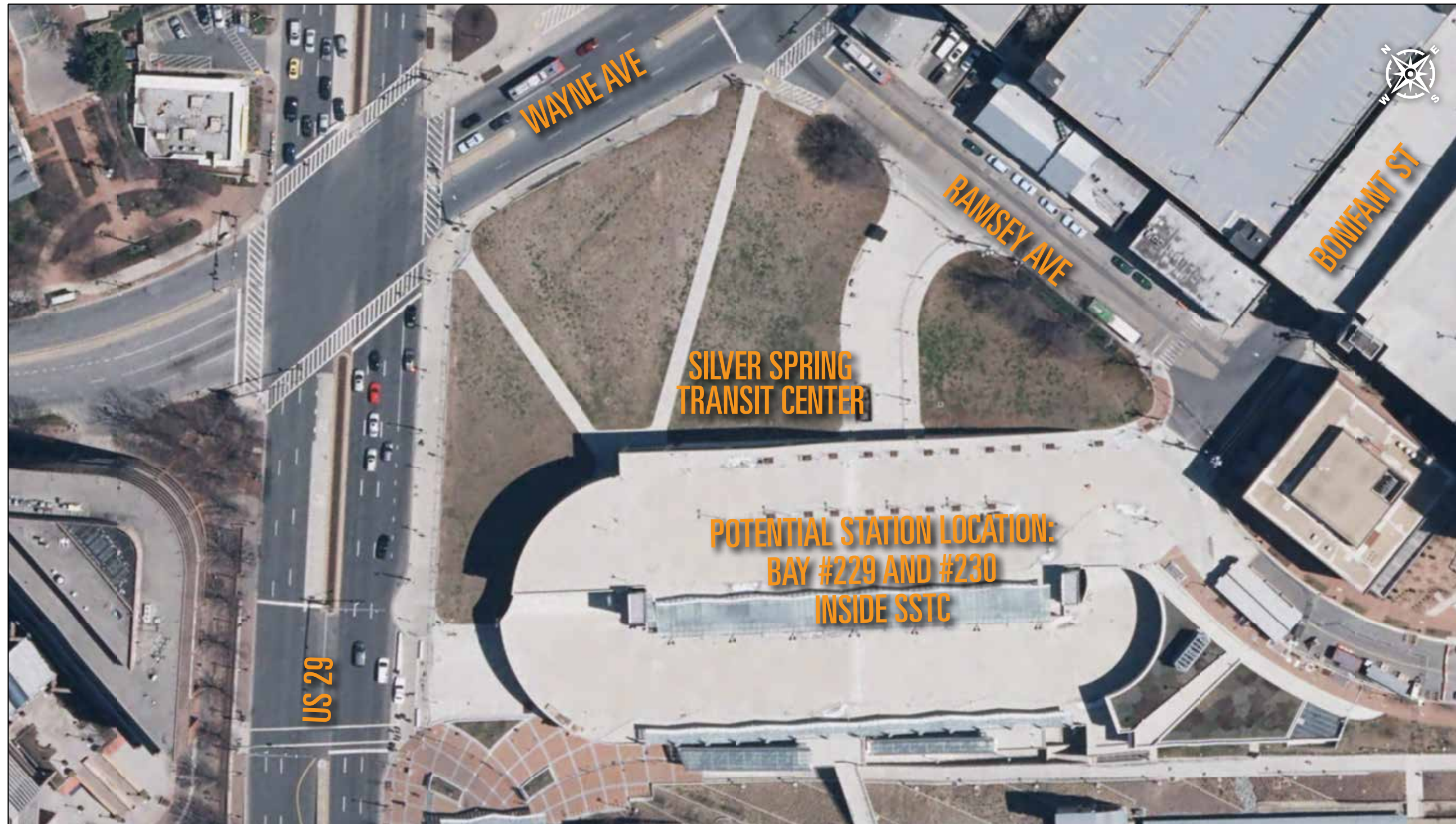
# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: SILVER SPRING TRANSIT CENTER

Note: This is not an activity, but for your reference

= STANDARD PLATFORM SIZE



= ZONE FOR POTENTIAL STATION

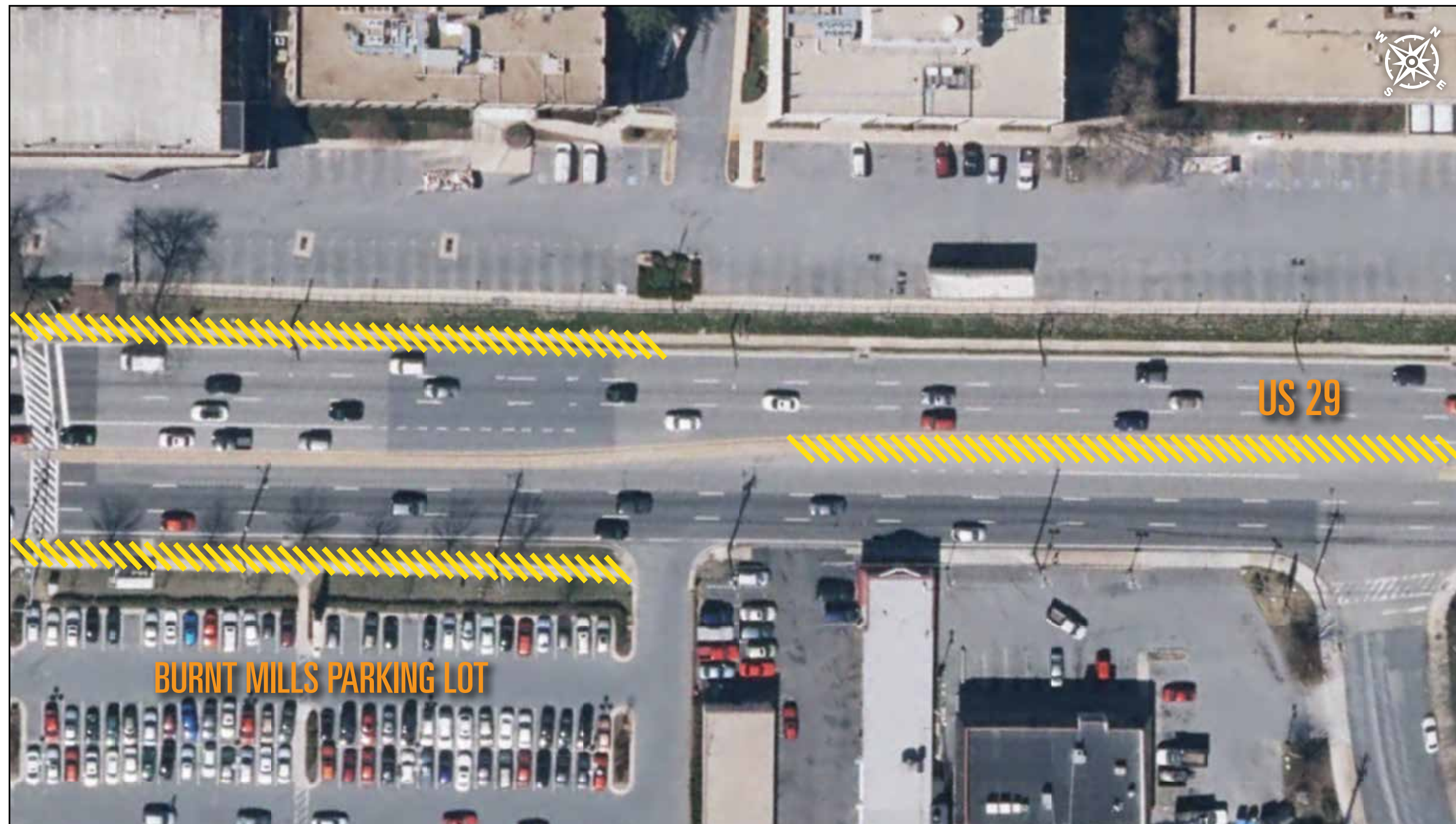




# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: BURNT MILLS

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 = STANDARD PLATFORM SIZE  = ZONE FOR POTENTIAL STATION





# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: OAK LEAF DRIVE

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# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: WHITE OAK TRANSIT CENTER

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# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: STEWART LANE

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# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: TECH ROAD

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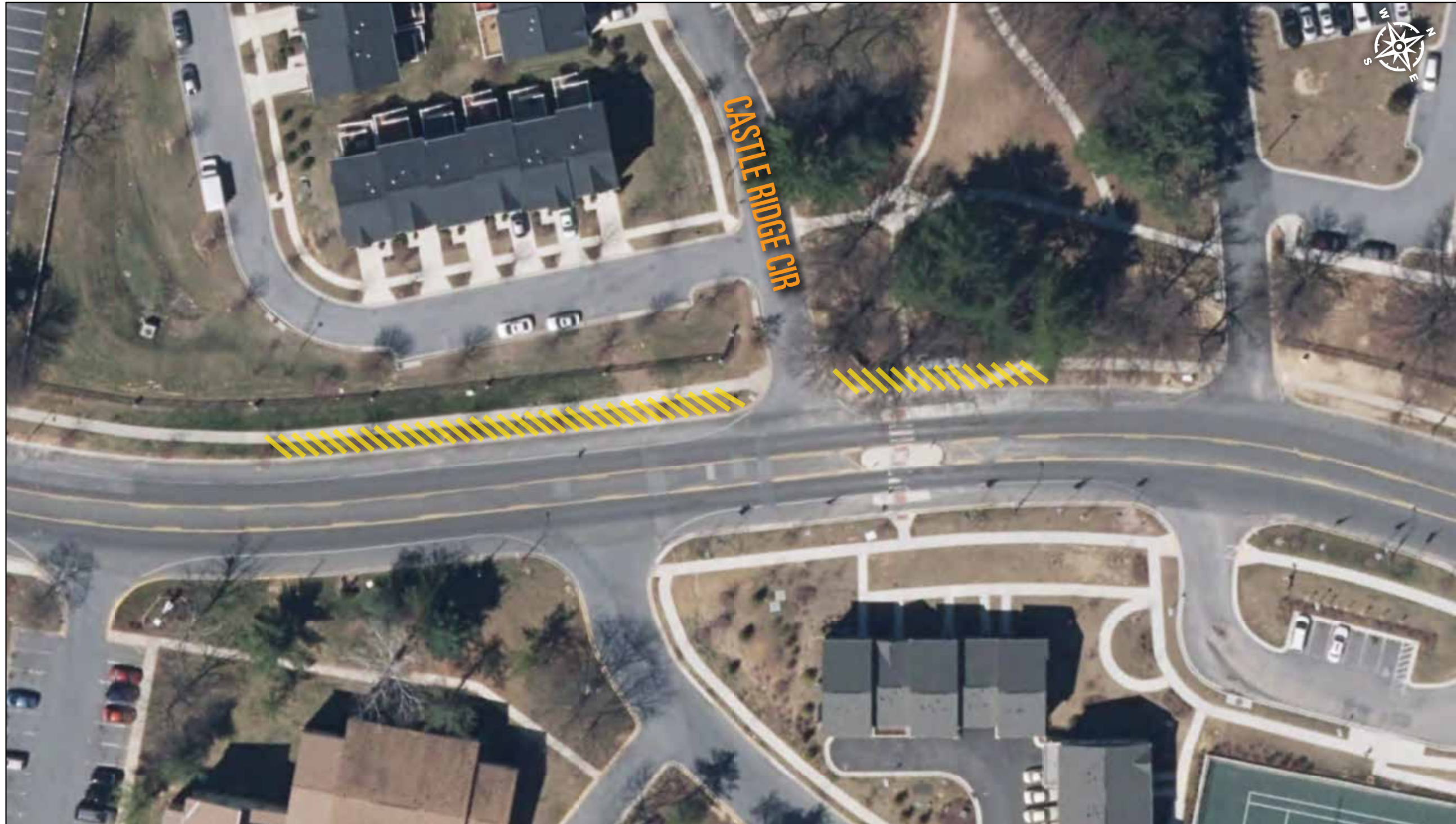




# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: CASTLE RIDGE

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 = STANDARD PLATFORM SIZE  = ZONE FOR POTENTIAL STATION





# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: BRIGGS CHANEY PARK AND RIDE

Note: This is not an activity, but for your reference

= STANDARD PLATFORM SIZE FOR TWO VEHICLES

= ZONE FOR POTENTIAL STATION





# STATION LOCATION INFORMATION: BURTONSVILLE PARK AND RIDE

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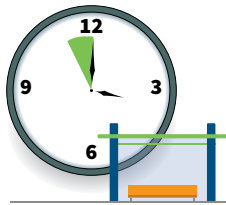
# LOCAL BUS INFORMATION HANDOUT

Instructions: The US 29 corridor includes local bus services that will ultimately connect to the high frequency BRT network. Consider how the local bus service concepts (as seen below) could be applied to improve existing local bus routes (Ride On and WMATA) to create a more efficient transit network. We will discuss this as a group at our upcoming CAC meeting, but think about these concepts as you ride the existing local bus service. Note: This is a voluntary activity that is independent of the Station Siting Activity.

## LEVEL OF SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS

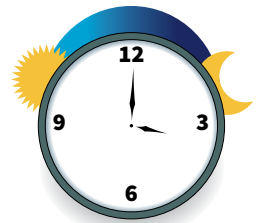
### ADJUST FREQUENCY

**Frequency** refers to how often a bus arrives at any given stop and is determined based on the level of demand for transit. Adjustments may be made to frequency of local service to enhance connections with BRT service, minimize waiting time, or meet increased demand.



### ADJUST HOURS

**Hours of Service** refers to the hours the bus route provides service during the day and the days on which it operates. Adjustments may be made to the hours of operation for local services to match the BRT service, or to meet increased demand.



## NEW SERVICE TYPES

### EXPRESS SERVICE

Provide express service that connects neighborhoods directly with major activity centers.



### NEIGHBORHOOD CIRCULATOR

Create neighborhood circulators connecting communities to the BRT service.



### LIMITED STOP OVERLAY

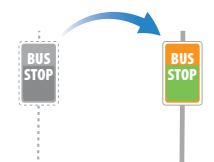
Provide local service to supplement limited-stop BRT service and improve service coverage.



## ROUTE ADJUSTMENTS

### STOP RELOCATION

Relocate bus stops to improve access to the BRT service, or consolidate bus stops to improve travel time.



### ROUTE REALIGNMENT

Realign local services to better serve localized demand, improve connections to the BRT service, and avoid congestion.



### EXTEND ROUTE

Extend local service to provide connections to activity centers, transfer hubs, or BRT stations.

