



## Open House: Nov.-Dec. 2011

Welcome! Thank you for taking time to continue the regional conversation about the Jackson County Commuter Corridors Alternatives Analysis (JCCCAA). There are several opportunities to learn more about the project and also to share your thoughts and ideas.

### Project Displays

Several stations offer a variety of information and visual displays regarding the project.

#### Station 1: Welcome

Be sure to **sign-in** and **pick up information materials** regarding the JCCCAA and the event. Find out the definition of an Alternatives Analysis, the schedule for this process and the project partners.

#### Station 2: Purpose and Need

Visit this station to see what you told us at the September open houses about the need for enhanced transit in Jackson County.

#### Station 3: Transit Oriented Development

Learn about transit-oriented development and view some examples.

#### Station 4: Tier 1 Evaluation

Learn how the initial alternatives were evaluated to determine which should advance to the next level of consideration.

#### Station 5: Alternatives To Be Further Studied

Review the narrowed list of alternatives being considered. They are:

- No Build
- Transportation System Management
- Full Regional Rail
- Regional Rail and Light Rail Transit/Streetcar Hybrid
- Light Rail Transit/Streetcar Hybrid and Bus Rapid Transit

#### Station 6: Definition of Effectiveness

Consider the objectives of an effective transit system and tell us what's most important to you.

#### Station 7: Next Steps and Comments, Please

Take a few minutes to let us know what you think about the narrowed list of alternatives.

## Alternatives Advanced for Additional Study

Alternative alignments and technology presented to the public at the September public meetings have been evaluated further over the past few months. Some alternatives were eliminated, but the following are the full corridor alternatives that are recommended to be advanced for further screening in Tier 2.

### No Build

"No Action"- Alternative includes all highway and transit projects identified in the fiscally constrained Mid-America Regional Council's Transportation Outlook 2040 and recommendations from the KCATA Comprehensive Service Analysis Key Corridor Network.



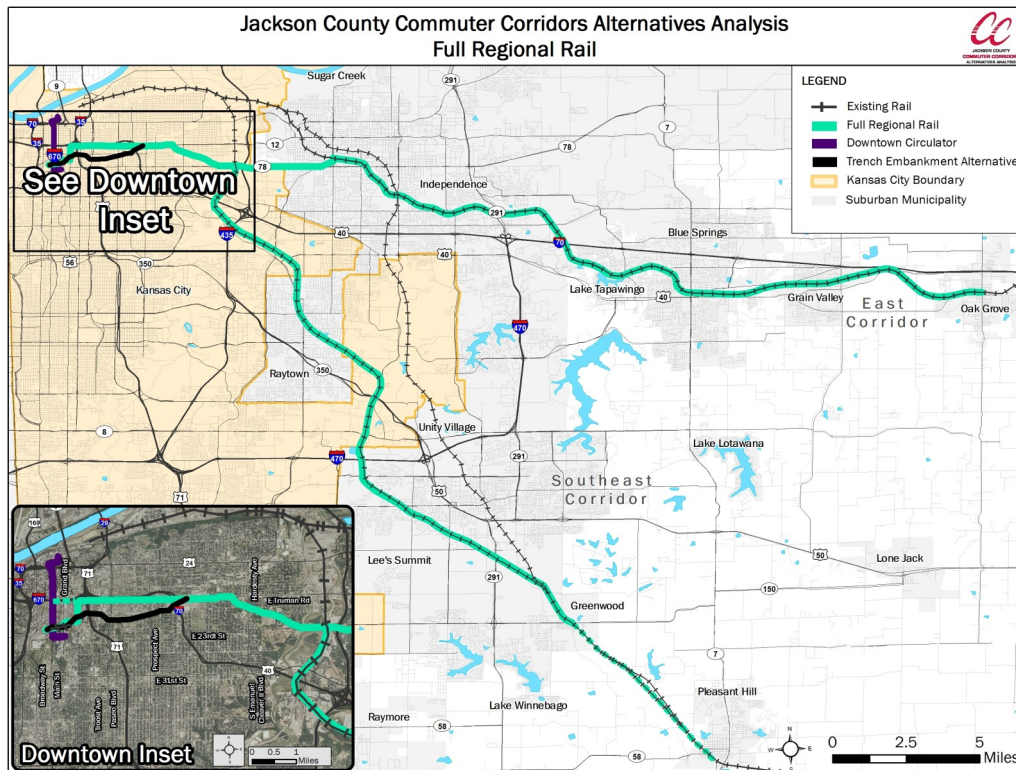
### Transportation System Management

Relatively low cost improvements that represent the best that can be done to improve transit service short of a major capital investment. Alternative includes express bus on existing highway (I-70 in the East and the Common corridors and M-350/I-435 in the Southeast corridor), possibly operating on the shoulder, and other improvements such as park-and-ride lots.



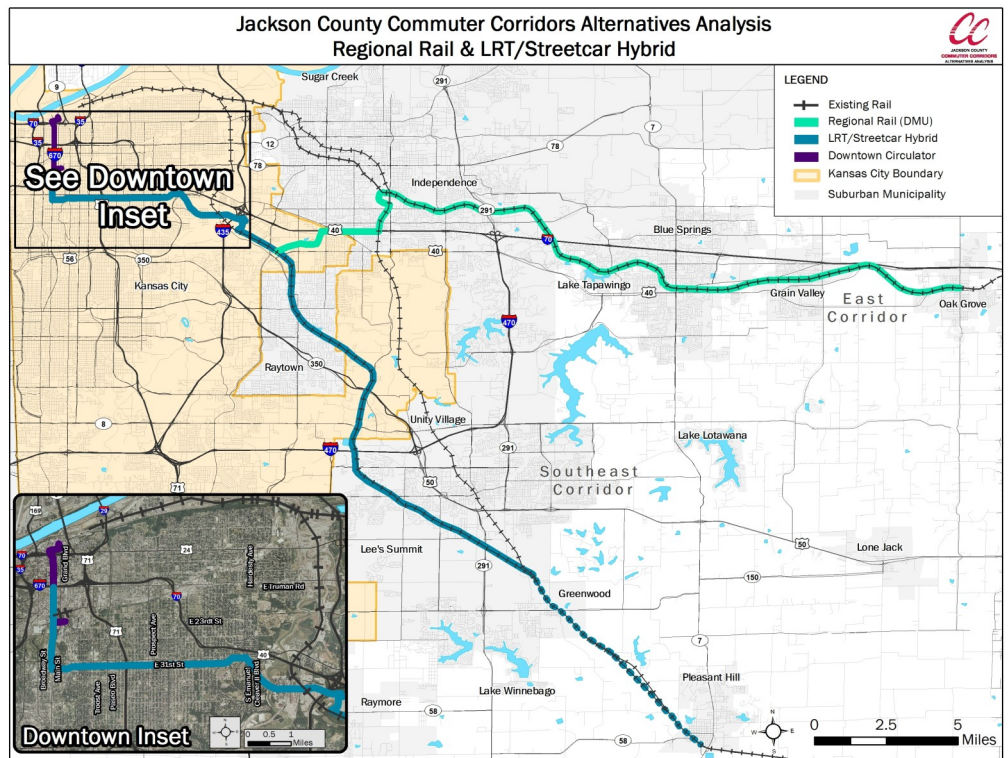
### Full Regional Rail

Alternative includes Diesel Multiple Units (Federal Railroad Administration-Compliant) via Truman Road or Trench Embankment to Union Station on Common corridor, Kansas City Southern rail corridor in East corridor, and Rock Island rail corridor in Southeast corridor.



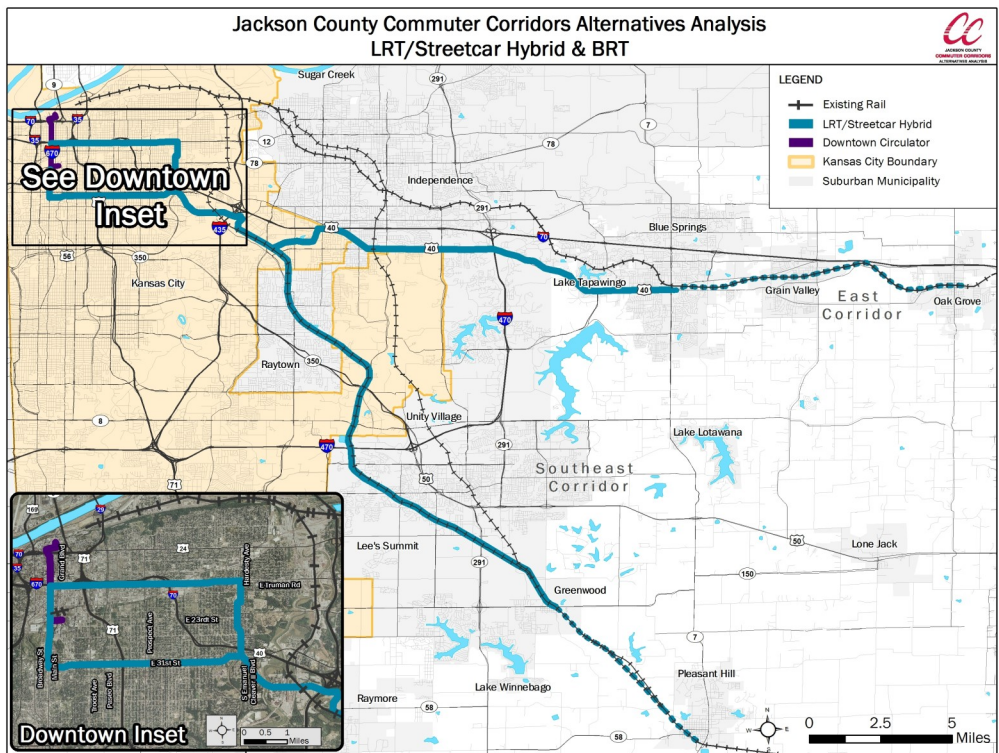
## Regional Rail and Light Rail Transit/Streetcar Hybrid

Alternative combines Diesel Multiple Units and light rail transit/streetcar hybrid modes. Diesel Multiple Unit along Kansas City Southern rail corridor in East corridor connecting to Multimodal Transfer Center at Truman Sports Complex. Light rail transit/streetcar hybrid on Rock Island line connecting to Truman Sports Complex, serving as the common line into downtown via either Linwood or Truman. Once in downtown, the light rail transit/streetcar hybrid could use the Downtown Circulator tracks.



## Light Rail Transit/Streetcar Hybrid and Bus Rapid Transit

Alternative combines light rail transit/streetcar hybrid and bus rapid transit modes. Light rail transit/streetcar hybrid and bus rapid transit along U.S. 40 in the East corridor. Light rail transit/streetcar hybrid on Rock Island connecting to Truman Sports Complex, serving as the common line into downtown via either Linwood or Truman. Once in downtown, the light rail transit/streetcar hybrid could use the Downtown Circulator tracks.



## What You Can Do

- Fill out the **comment card** to tell us what you think about the transit alternatives displayed.
- Keep informed through our website at:  
[www.kcsmartmoves.org/projects/jacksoncounty.aspx](http://www.kcsmartmoves.org/projects/jacksoncounty.aspx)
- Tell your friends, families and colleagues who weren't able to come to **view the meeting materials on the website** and fill out the comment card.
- **Schedule a presentation** for your stakeholder group by contacting Patty Gentrup at: [Patty@shockeyconsulting.com](mailto:Patty@shockeyconsulting.com) or (816) 217-9397.



## What's next?

The alternatives presented here will now be evaluated as part of a Tier 2 screening. That screening will consider operating plans, ridership, capital and operating costs, and the effects on people and the environment. The study team will identify the locations for transit-oriented development throughout the study area and also continue discussions with citizens, city officials, local railroad officials and developers. The next opportunity for public input will be in February 2012 at the third round of open houses.



## Jackson County Commuter Corridors Alternatives Analysis Project Partnership Team



The consultant team for the AA is led by Parsons Brinckerhoff (PB). Also on the PB team are Olsson Associates, TranSystems, Taliaferro & Browne, KOA, and Shockey Consulting Services.