



# **Make Transit Happen**

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**“Hell, there are no rules here—  
we’re trying to accomplish  
something.”**

Thomas Edison

# Consolidation to Unified Agency

- Unanimous decision by both Boards to combine under single CEO.
- Better coordination between bus and rail.
  - Internal streamlining
  - Customer to benefit
- Economy provides unprecedented opportunity to think/act more creatively.

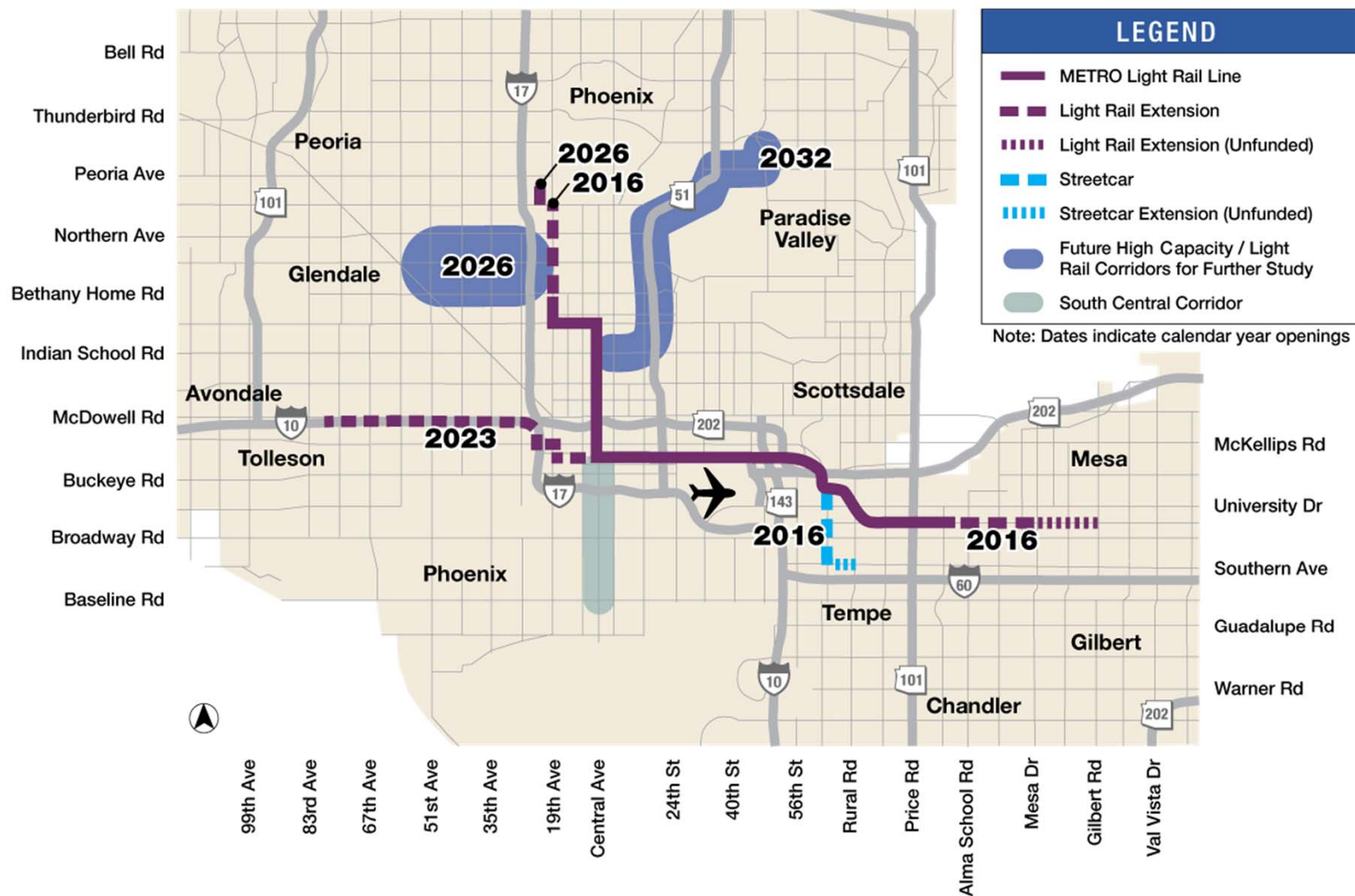


# Total Transit Network

- Every transit mode serves a certain purpose and market.
- Many modes working in concert creates successful transportation network.
- Even in this economy, we have to continue to build.



# Future Rail Projects



# Construction Projects

- Central Mesa
  - 3.1 miles to downtown Mesa
  - In utility relocation
  - Opens late 2015
- Northwest
  - 3.2 miles to north Phoenix
  - Advanced by seven years
  - Opens late 2015/early 2016



# Planning Projects

- 2.6-mile Tempe Streetcar
- 11-mile Phoenix West light rail extension
- Glendale
- Northeast Phoenix
- Gilbert Road – newly funded
- South Central – in AA



# Arizona's Plans

- High-capacity transit between Phoenix and Tucson
  - Scoping, community input phase
  - BRT also on table
- Arizona State Rail Plan
- Commuter rail ambitions



# Urban and High Speed Rail

- Connectivity is critical for passenger
- Transit needs to be at the table
- Reduce competition for same dollars







# Q&A

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