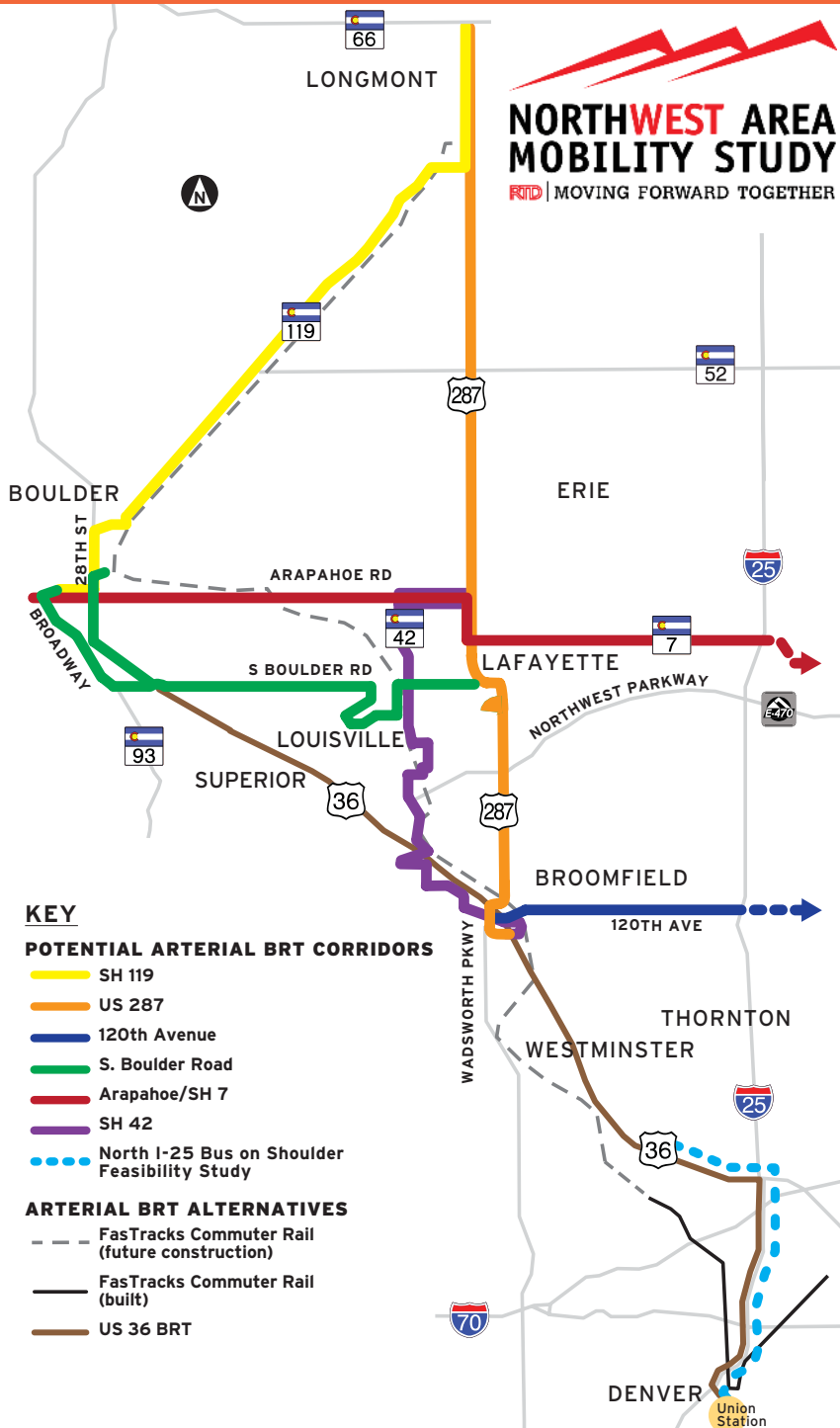


# US 36 Mayors & Commissioners Coalition Update

March 2017



## Northwest Area Mobility Study (NAMS)

- The 2014 NAMS assessed and prioritized mobility improvements for the Northwest Denver/Boulder region.
- Local governments achieved consensus on projects and the RTD Board endorsed them.
- Proposed projects that would create an integrated mobility system for the northwest region:
  - Complete remaining elements of US 36 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT);
  - Construct I-25 Bi-Directional Managed Lanes between US 36 and downtown Denver;
  - Create arterial BRT corridors for SH 119, SH 7, US 287, South Boulder Road, 120th Avenue, and add enhanced transit service on SH 42 and 28th Street/Broadway;
  - Complete B Line;
  - Implement railroad quiet zones along B Line alignment.
- These priorities require additional federal, state and local funding.



B Line

## Regional Transportation District (RTD) FasTracks Flatiron Flyer/B Line Update

- Flatiron Flyer BRT Service began in January 2016.
- The US 36 Coalition is working to identify funding for additional Flatiron Flyer vehicles and service to meet current and future needs.
- B Line rail service to Westminster Station began in July 2016.
- RTD does not currently have the financial capacity to complete the B Line for several decades, but is exploring the possibility of operating a few trains during peak hours.



Regional Bus Service

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## US 36 Express Lanes Project

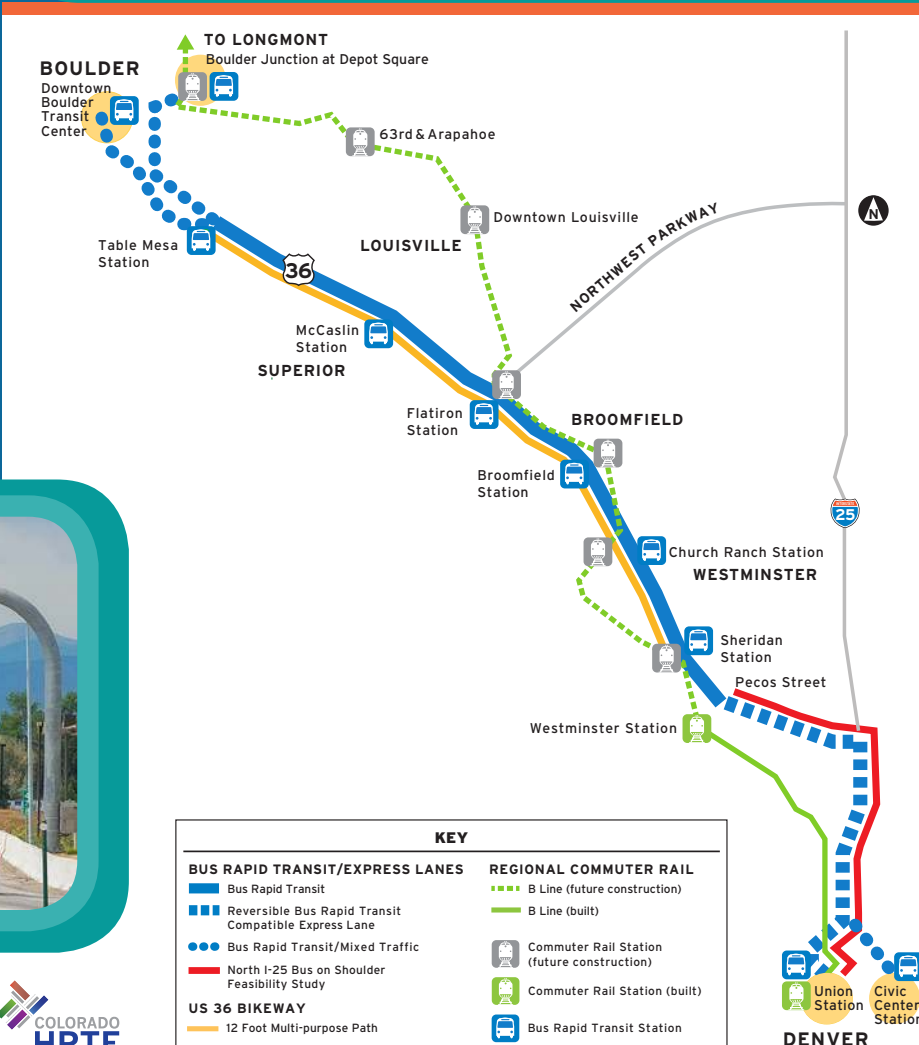
- After 20 years in the making, the construction project was completed in June 2016.
- Provides travelers with choices, including the US 36 Express Lanes, BRT, US 36 Bikeway and Transportation Demand Management.
- This multi-modal, connected corridor works!
  - Traffic speeds are 20-29 percent faster during commute hours (comparing pre-construction to current).
  - The Flatiron Flyer BRT service increased ridership by 70 percent.
  - The B Line sees over 1,400 riders per day, 800 more than projected.

## The US 36 Coalition is Requesting Continued Federal Support to:

- Fully fund the FTA Capital Investment Grants Program in the FY 2018 Transportation Appropriations Bill;
- Support grant opportunities under the Bus and Bus Facilities Program to purchase Flatiron Flyer vehicles;
- Support Small Starts Grant and funding for studies and capital improvements to implement arterial BRT/enhanced bus service/regional bikeways along six essential corridors (SH 119 match funding is a priority);
- Support grant opportunities to implement recommendations of the US 36 First and Final Mile Study, including Bike-n-Ride shelters, wayfinding, and transit pass programs;
- Support future TIGER grant for North I-25 Bus on Shoulder implementation;
- Streamline train horn rules and quiet zone implementation through the review of FRA's locomotive train horn regulations;
- Incentivize/encourage the railroads to work with local governments to share track for passenger/commuter rail operations;
- Support federal funding of safety improvements (including quiet zones) for passenger/commuter rail service and Transit Oriented Development area.



Flatiron Flyer



US 36 Bikeway

For more information:  
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US 36 Express Lanes