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# ABI Data Collection

*In order to meet our promise of a Beltline for all, we are working to collect demographic and geographic information from our participants. This information is strictly for internal reference and research purposes only to guide us in outreach and public engagement efforts and will not be distributed to other organizations.*



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# Citywide Conversation: Beltline Transit Study

August 12, 2025





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# Virtual Meeting Format

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# Agenda

- Welcome
- Public Engagement Activities
- Project Overview
  - Needs & Goals
  - Study Area
  - Project Timeline
- Northwest Quadrant
  - Alignment Options
- Southwest & Southeast Quadrants
- Service Planning
- Cost Summary
- Discussion





# Career Fair

Step into your future

August 27 | 10am–2pm

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



## 20+ Employers Will Be Present!

Meet top Atlanta employers now hiring in healthcare, construction, the green sector, and more!

### LOCATION

City of Refuge  
1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd  
NW Atlanta, GA 30314

### SCAN CODE TO REGISTER:



### QUESTIONS?

atheard@atlbeltline.org





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# Poll Question #1

## What neighborhood do you live in?

- Beltline Neighborhood Northeast Atlanta
- Beltline Neighborhood Southeast Atlanta
- Beltline Neighborhood Southwest Atlanta
- Beltline Neighborhood Northwest Atlanta
- A neighborhood in City of Atlanta not on this list
- A neighborhood outside the City of Atlanta



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# Poll Question #2

**How long have you lived in your neighborhood?**

- 1-5 years
- 6-10 years
- 11 or more years



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# Poll Question #3

## What is your relationship to the Atlanta Beltline?

- I use the trail
- I am a homeowner in a Beltline neighborhood
- I rent a home in a Beltline neighborhood
- I am a residential landlord
- I am a business owner in a Beltline neighborhood
- I am a commercial landlord
- I am a developer
- I am a real estate broker
- I am a community activist/advocate
- I am generally interested in the Beltline project



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# Poll Question #4

**What are your most likely to be doing on the trail?**

- Exercising or other recreation
- To run errands
- To get to work or school
- To engage in leisure activities
- I don't use the trail



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# Poll Question #5

**Is tonight your first Beltline meeting?**

- Yes
- No





# Our Vision

To be the catalyst for making Atlanta a global beacon for equitable, inclusive, and sustainable life.

22

MILES

of pedestrian-  
friendly rail transit

1,100

ACRES

of environmental  
cleanup

33

MILES

of multi-use  
urban trails

1,300

ACRES

of new  
greenspace

\$10B

in economic  
development

50K

PERMANENT  
JOBS

5,600

UNITS

of affordable  
workforce housing

48K

CONSTRUCTION  
JOBS



# All Public Engagement Activities

Metric	Goal	Status-To-Date	Goal Reached
Total Engagement Events and Activities	50	46	In Progress
Total People Engaged	3,805	11,566	Exceeded
Stakeholder Roundtables*	10	10	Met
Technical Committee Meetings	N/A	3	N/A
Equity Stakeholder Committee (ESC) Meetings	5	3	In Progress
Community Engagement Meetings	10	8	In Progress
Neighborhood Meetings and Pop-Up Events <sup>†</sup>	20	9	In Progress
Project Website Visits	2,000	7,692	Exceeded
Online Survey/Polling Responses	380	2,623	Exceeded
Online Survey and Polling Opportunities <sup>‡</sup>	4	13	Exceeded
Social Media Posts/Reach/Engagements	N/A	34 posts 32,549 engagements 3 videos 2,030 subscribers 1,232 views	N/A



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# Project Overview





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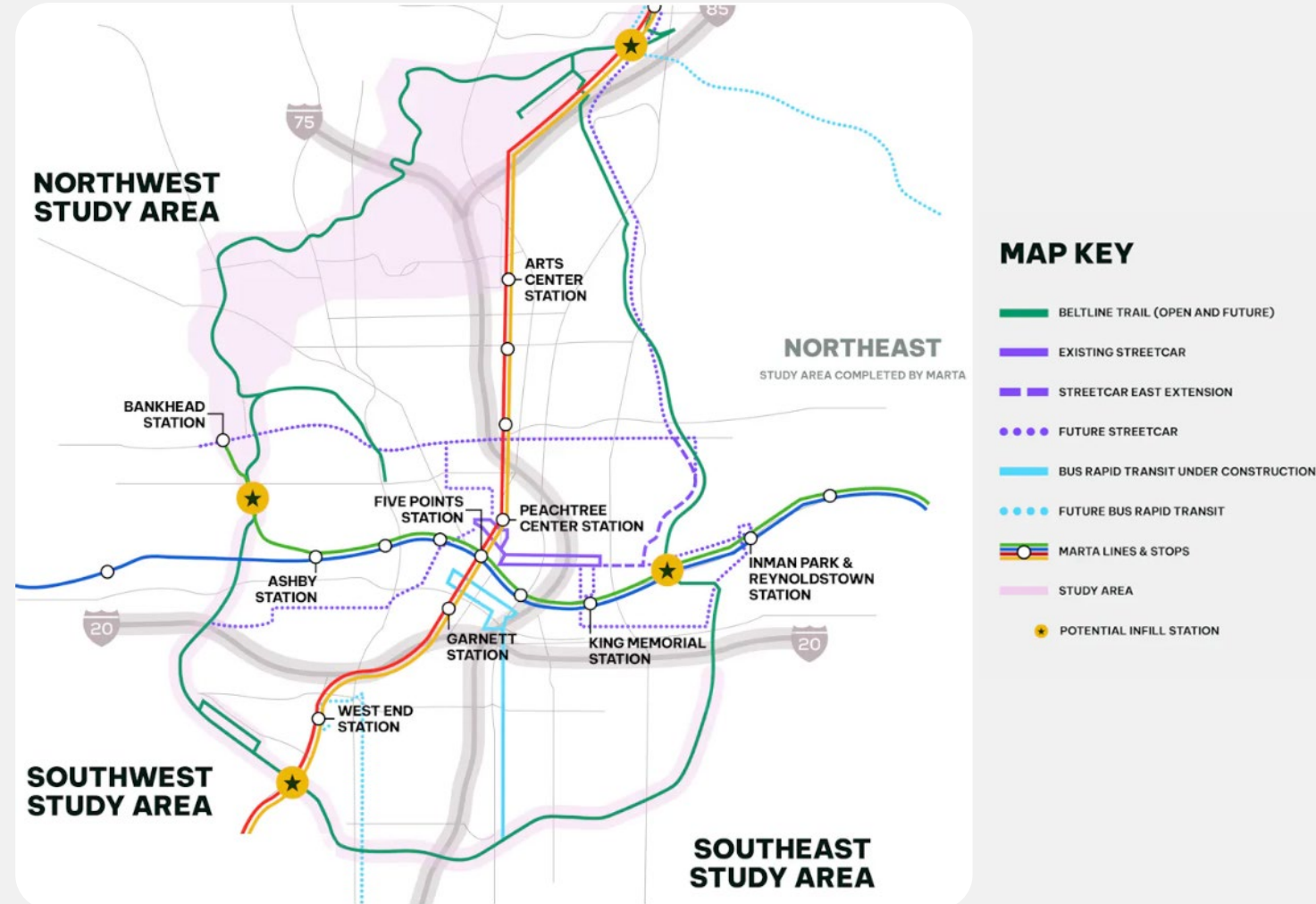
# Project Needs, Goals and Study Area

## Needs

- Improve mobility and safety
- Increase connectivity
- Advance Atlanta Beltline sustainable economic development goals

## Goals

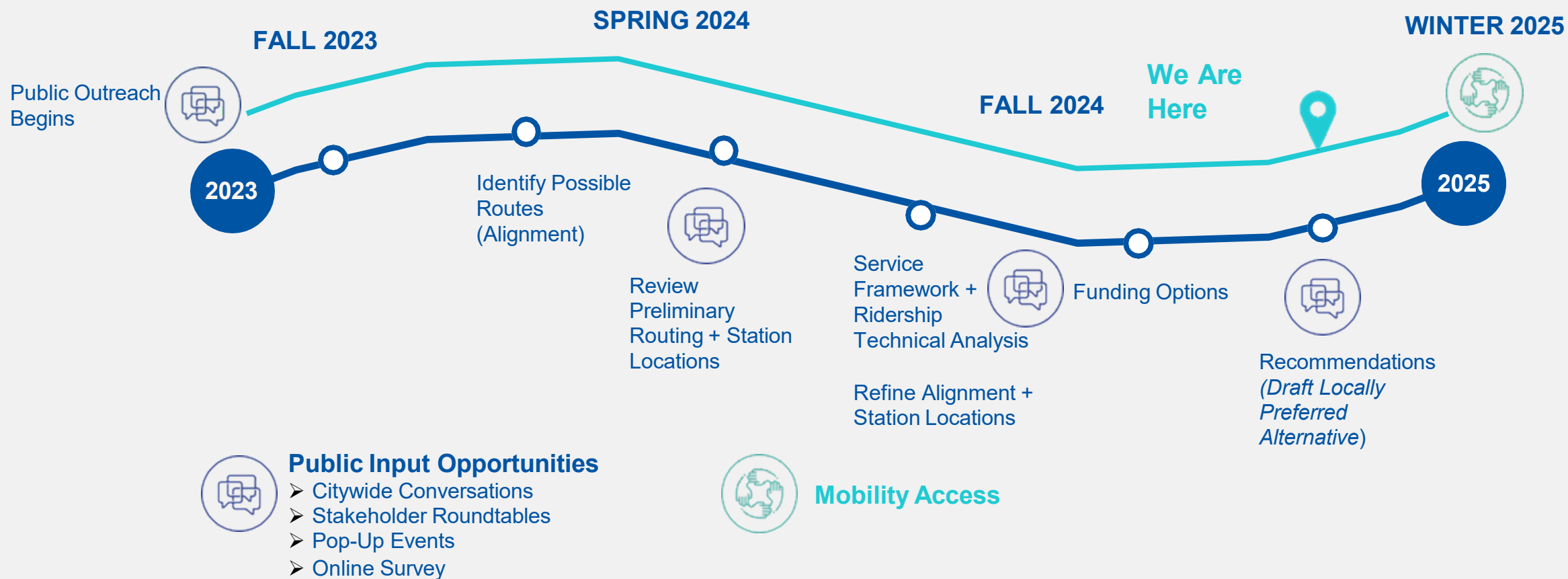
- Connectivity
- Sustainability
- Mobility Access
- Implementation & Operations





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# Schedule & Timeline





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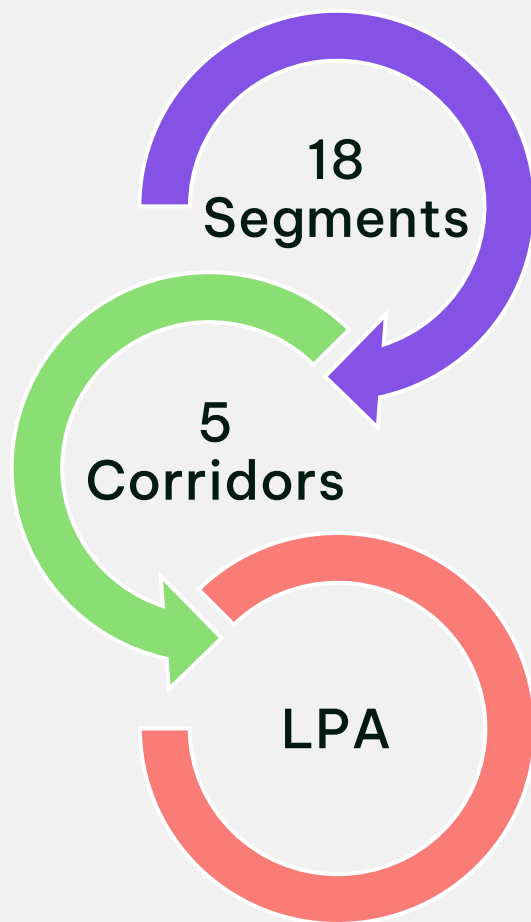
# Northwest Quadrant





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# Alignment Refinement



## Step Two Alignment Alternatives

- Alignment 1
- Alignment 2
- Alignment 3
- Alignment 4
- Alignment 5
- Northwest Station Locations

## Northwest Beltline Transit

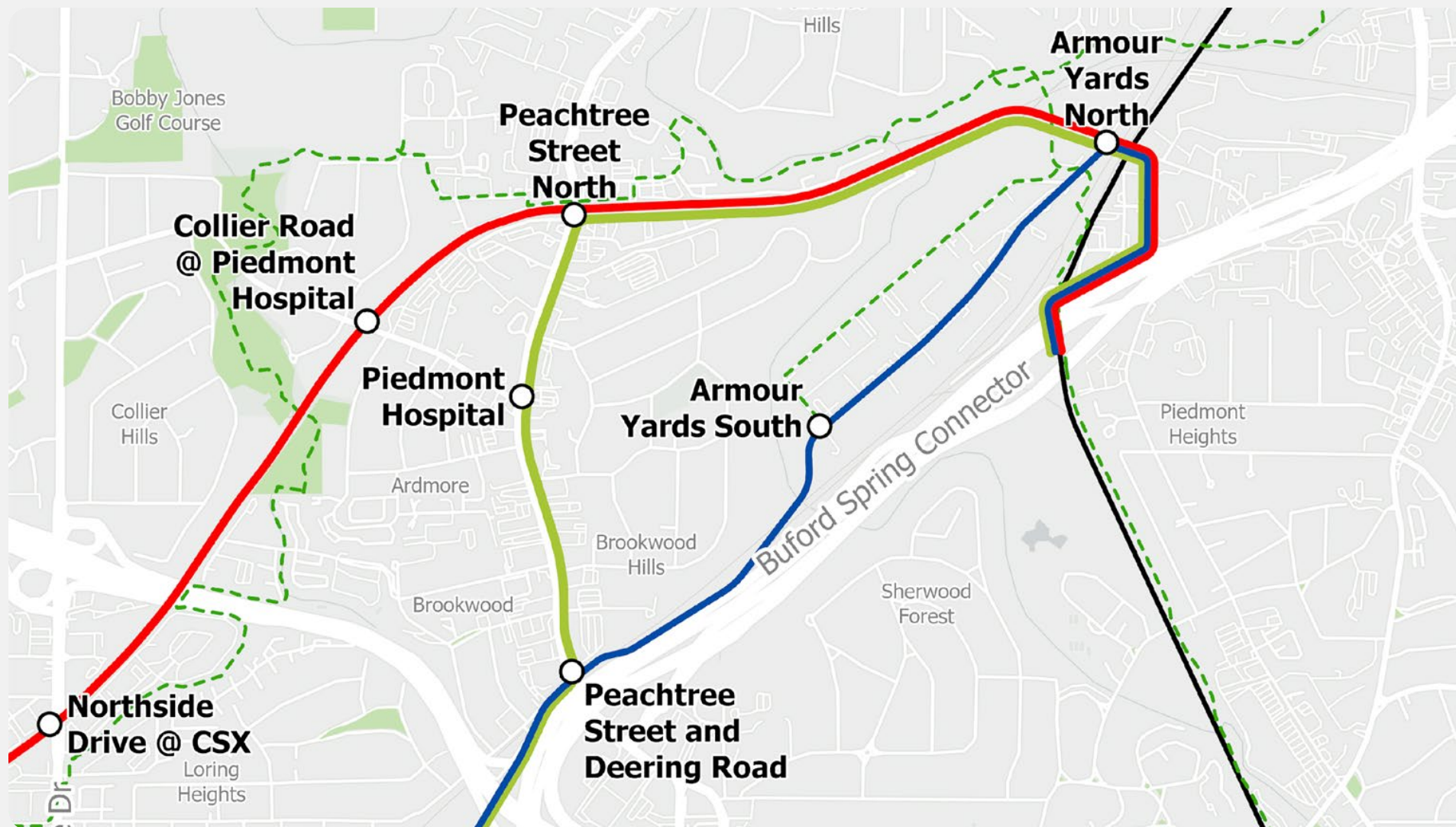
- Proposed MARTA Infill Stations
- Beltline Transit Alignment
- Beltline Trail Loop
- MARTA Heavy Rail





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# CSX, Peachtree St., and Ottley Dr.





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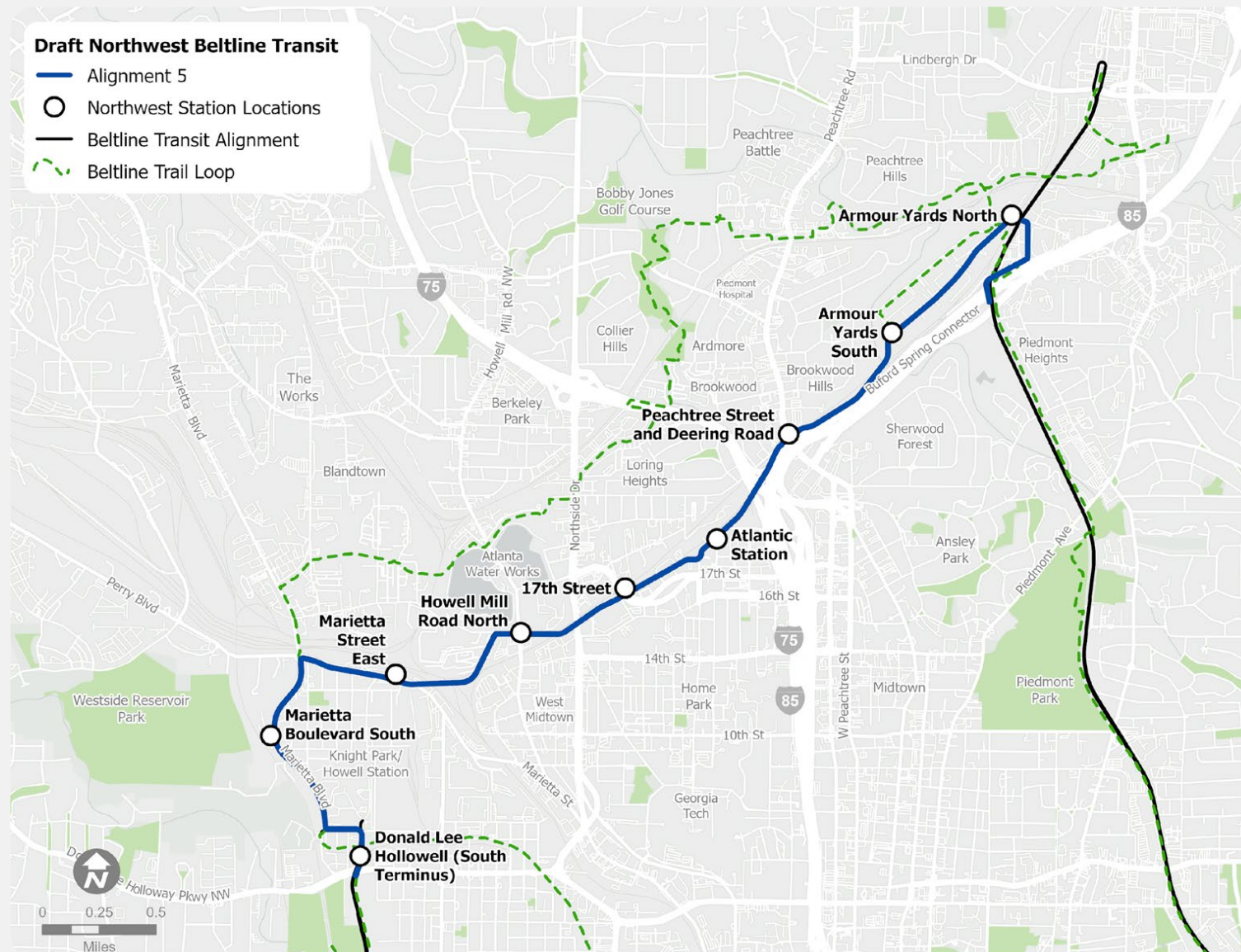
# Alignment Options Overview





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# Ottley Dr. Alignment Option





# Ottley Dr. Alignment Option

## Benefits

- Most direct connection to Armour Yards
- Improved access to Ottley District
  - Emergency access & transit
- Middle cost option
- State Street extension

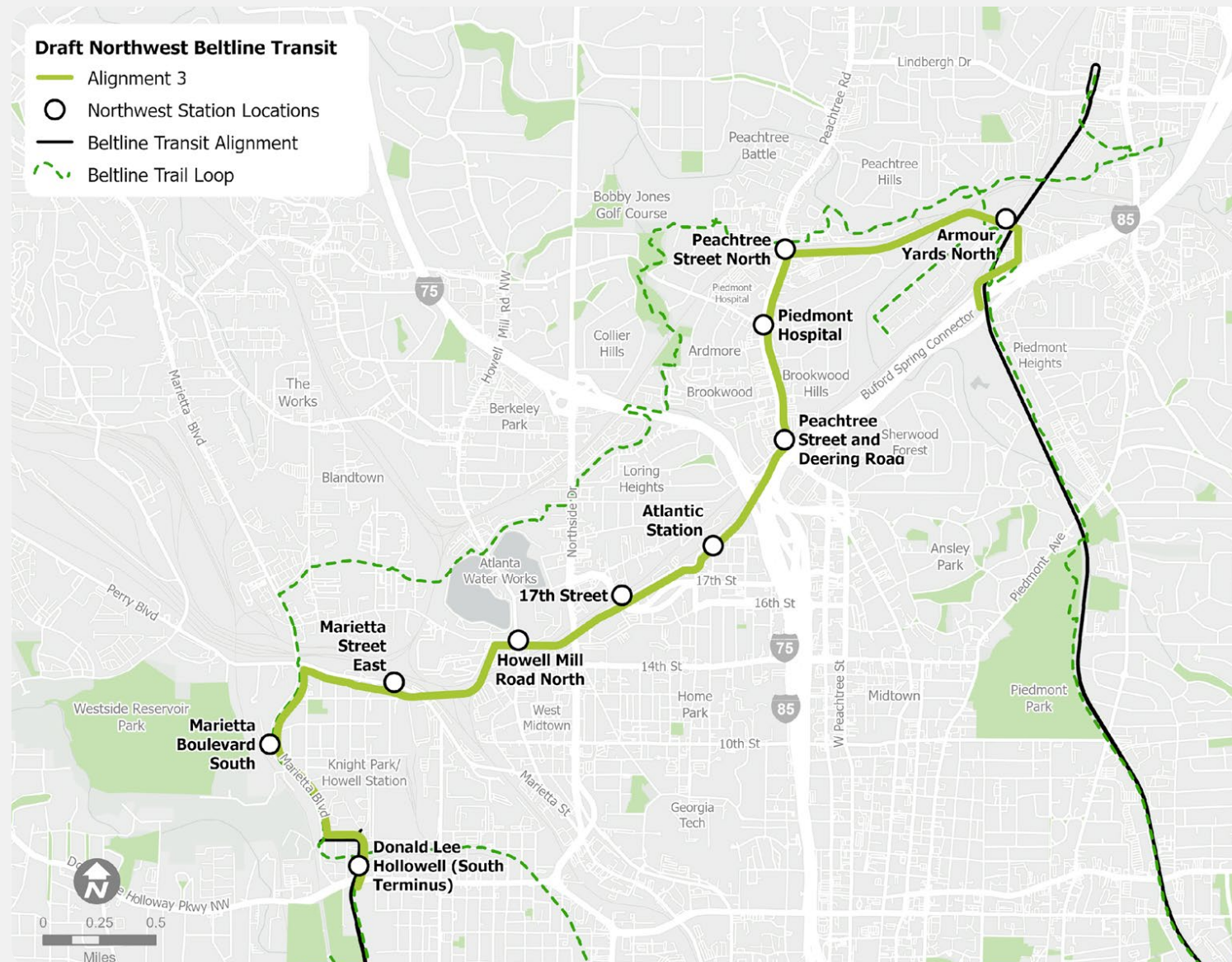
## Challenges

- Norfolk Southern right-of-way
- Some adjacent land uses are unlikely to densify
- Brookwood Hills Conservation easement



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# Peachtree St. Alignment Option







# Peachtree St. Alignment Option

## Benefits

- Transit access to Piedmont Hospital
- Highest scoring from public feedback
- State Street extension

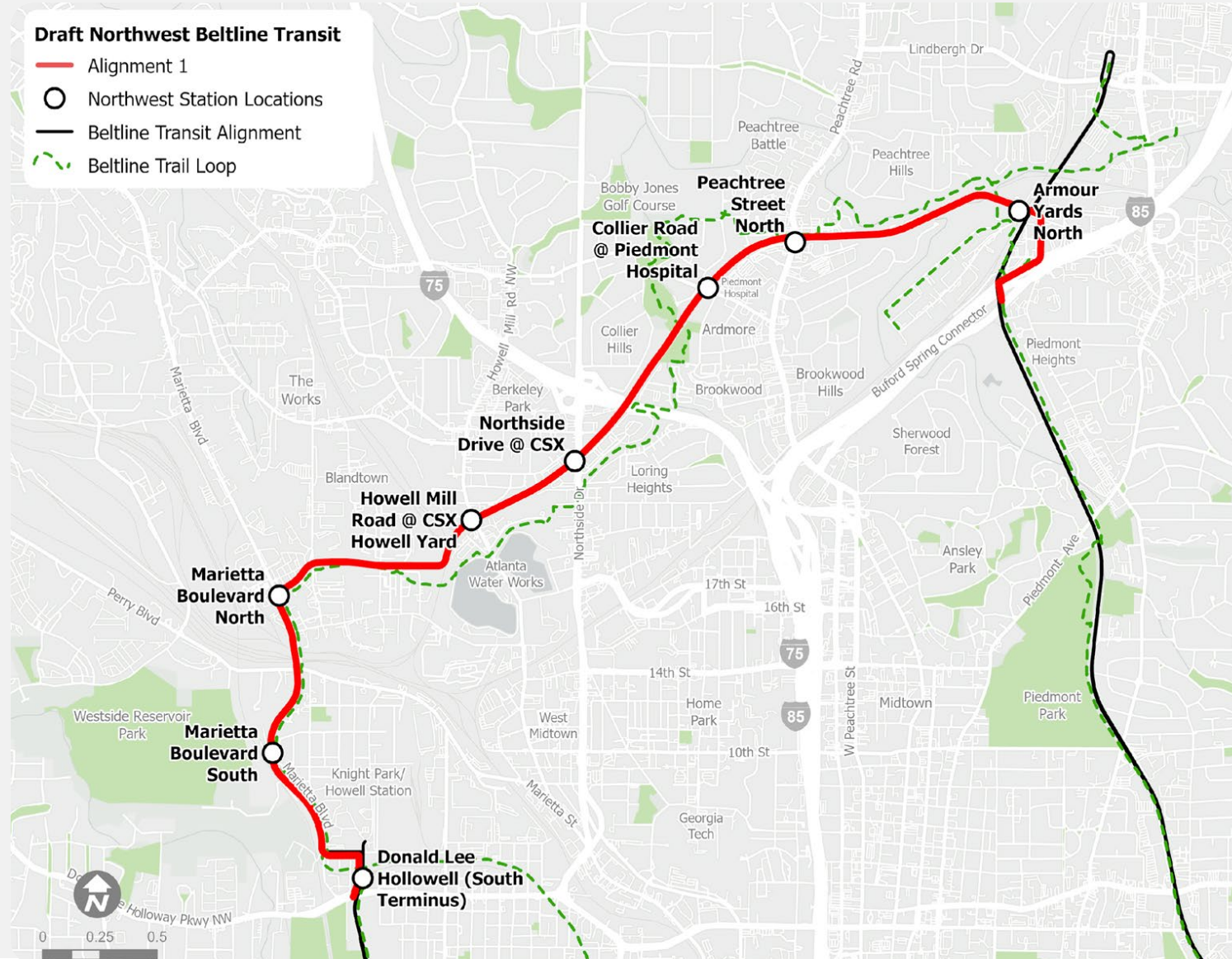
## Challenges

- Highest capital cost
- CSX right-of-way between Peachtree St and Armour Yards
- Impacts to Peachtree St



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# CSX Alignment





# CSX Alignment Option

## Benefits

- Fastest average speed and lowest travel time
- Direct service to Piedmont Hospital
- Conventional wisdom alignment
- Lowest capital cost

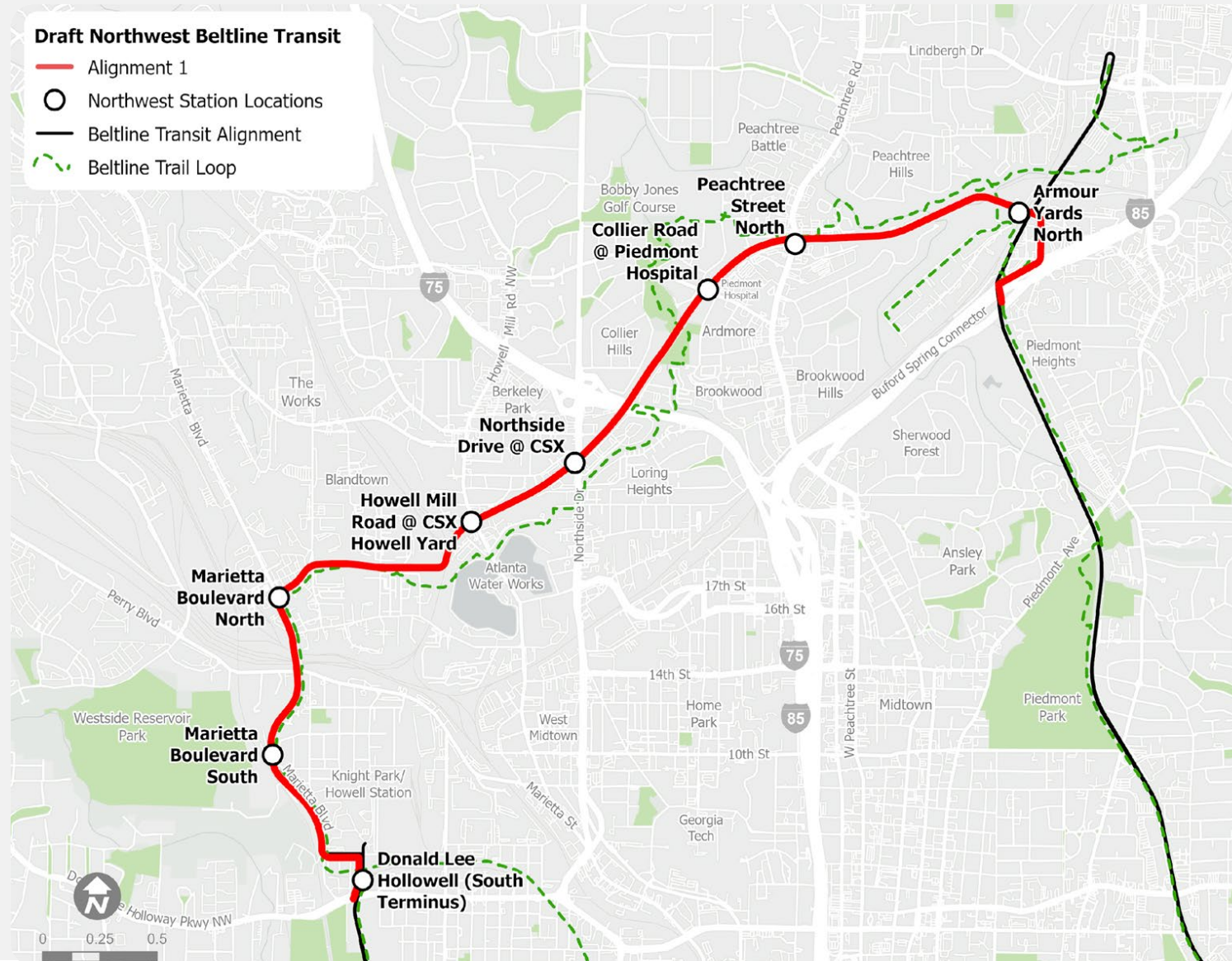
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# Preferred Alignment







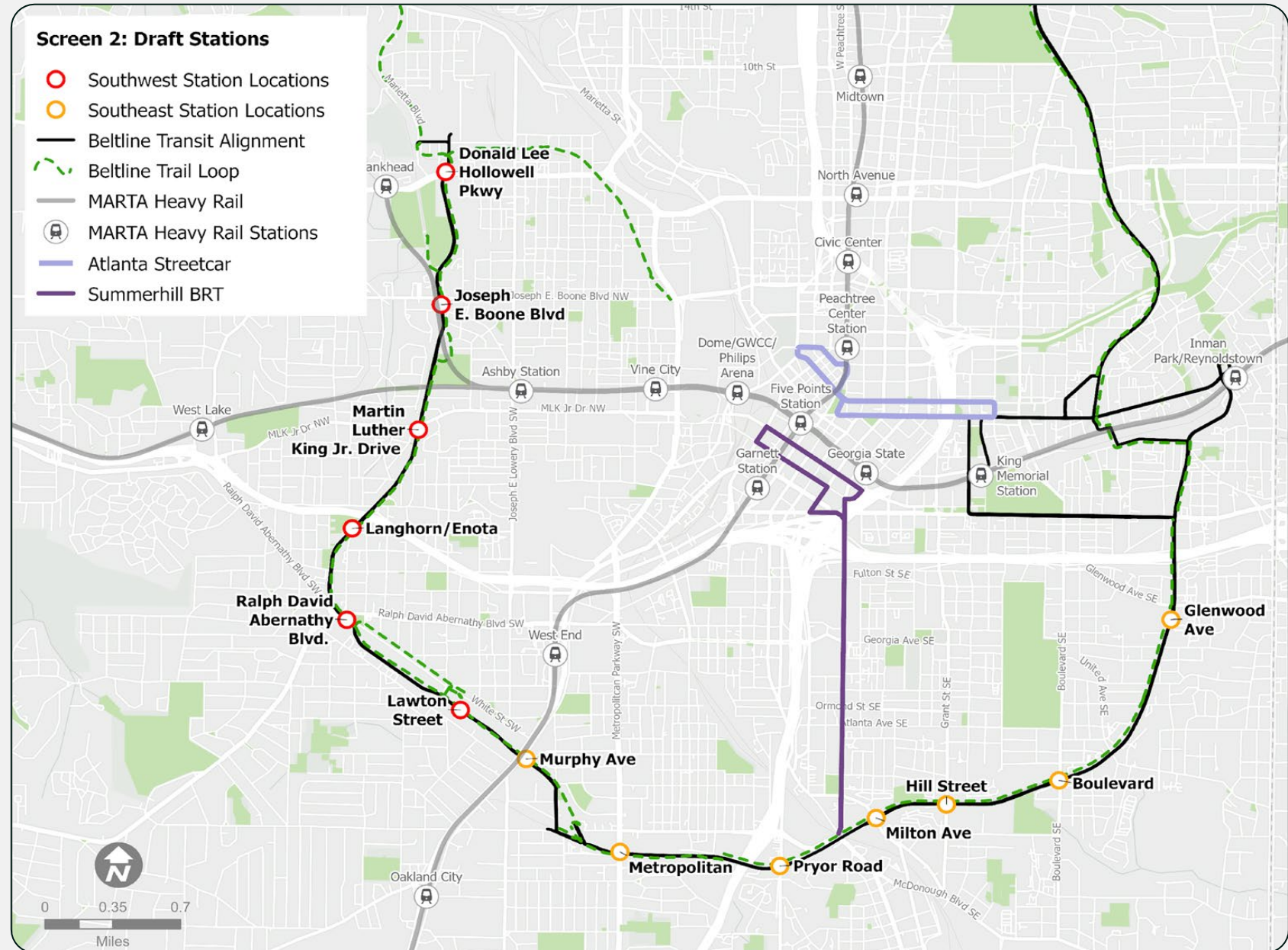
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# Southwest and Southeast Quadrants



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# Southwest & Southeast Quadrants

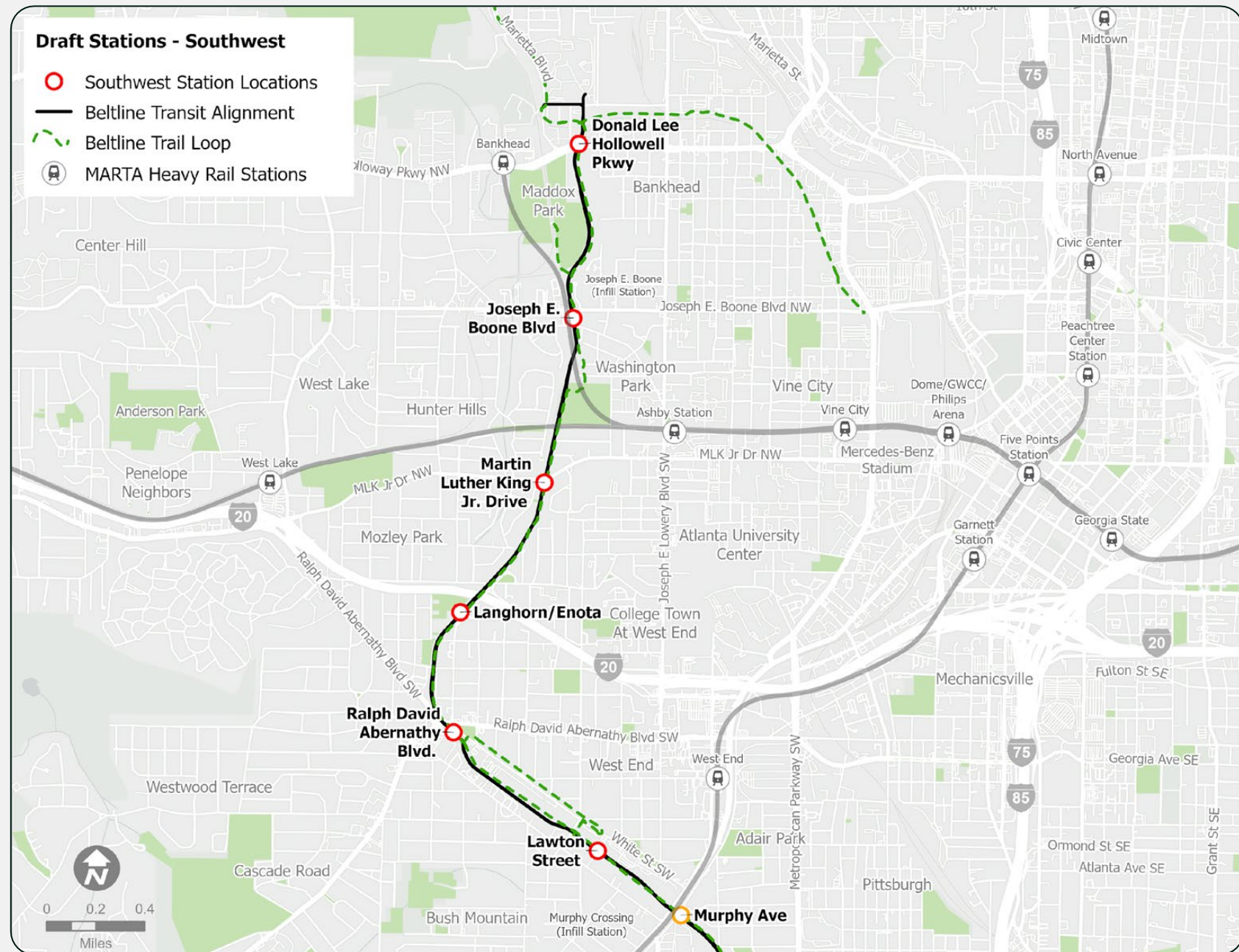






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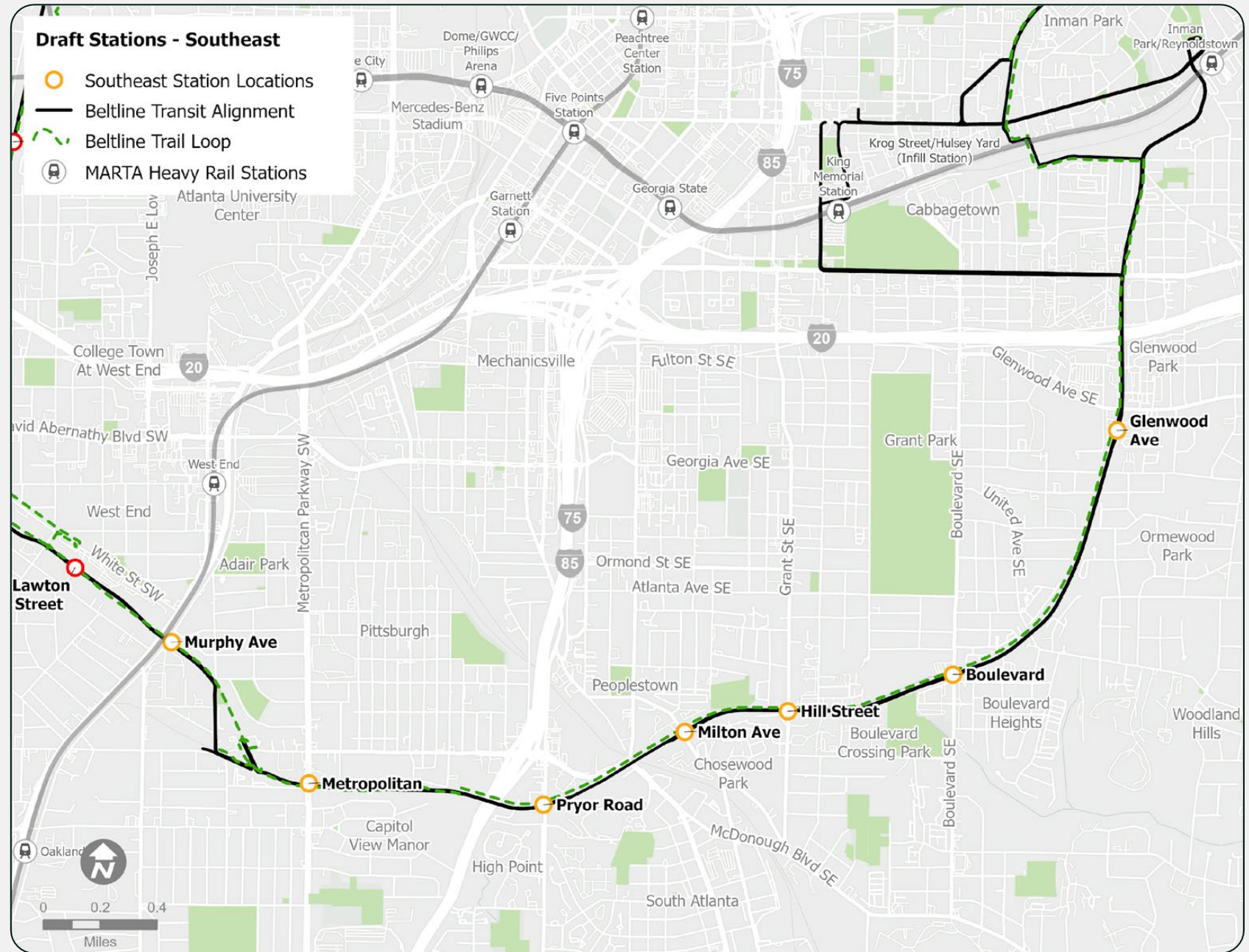
# Southwest Alignment and Stations





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# Southeast Alignment and Stations





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# Service Planning

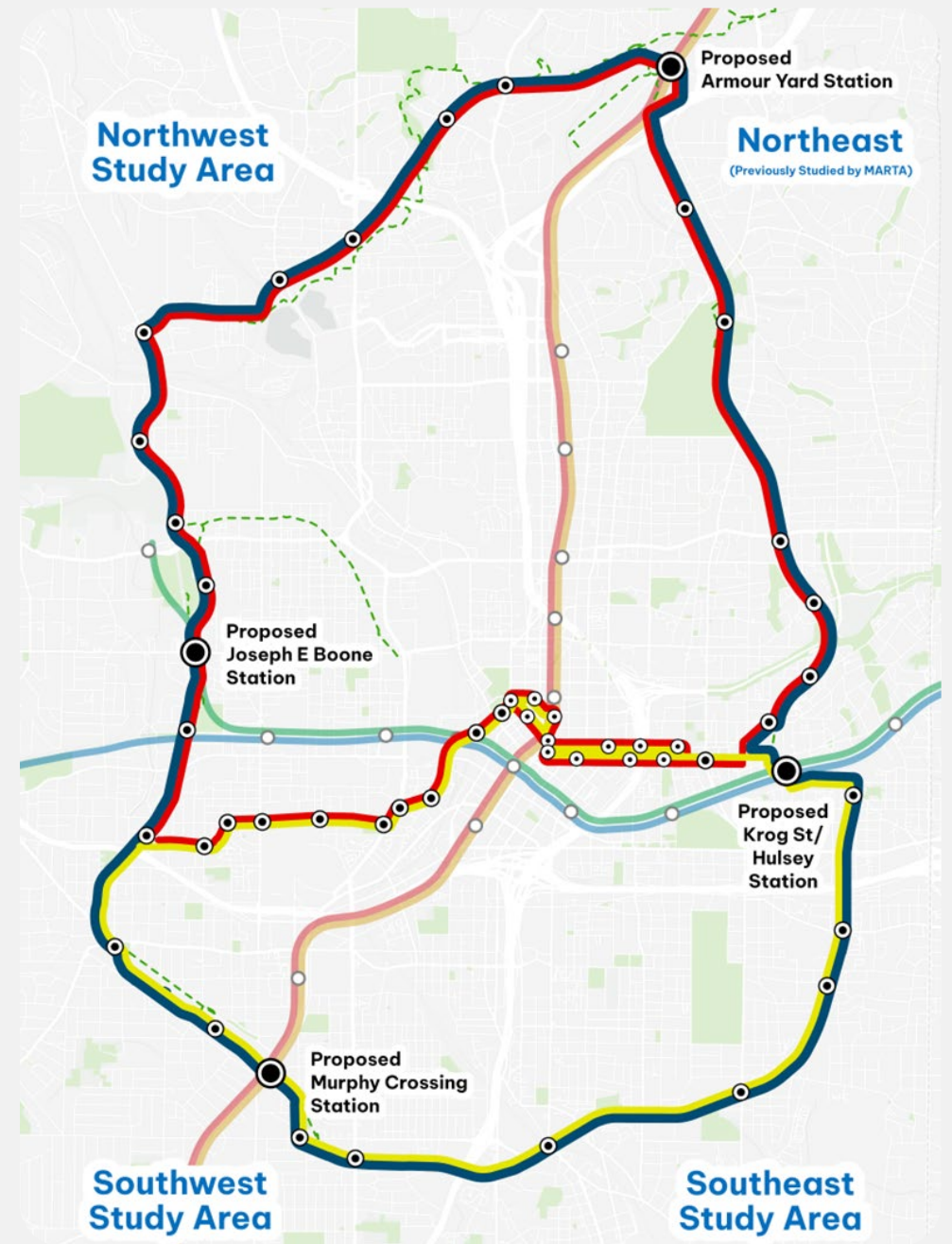




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# Service Plan

- 3 Routes with bi-directional service
  - Beltline loop (blue)
  - Northern loop (red)
  - Southern loop (yellow)
- 20-minute headways
  - Average 10-minute headways at each station
- 1-Seat ride anywhere in system
- Includes MARTA HRT Infill stations





# NW Alignment Operation Considerations

Alignment	# of Stations	% In Street	Eastbound Travel Times	Westbound Travel Times	Adjusted Average Speed (mph)
CSX	8	28%	20:15	20:45	16.6
Peachtree	10	45%	25:45	26:30	13.7
Ottley	9	66%	26:15	26:45	12.4

*\*CSX Alignment saves 5-6 minutes each direction*





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# Overall Cost Summary



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# Concept Level Capital Cost Estimates (2025)

## NW Quadrant

5.5 Miles  
\$800M

## Crosstown West

4 Miles  
\$500M

## SW Quadrant

3.7 Miles  
\$375M

## Support Facilities

\$210M

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Study Area

Proposed  
Armour Yard Station

Northeast  
(Previously Studied by MARTA)

## NE Quadrant

4.7 Miles  
\$520M

## Crosstown East

2 Miles  
\$400M

## SE Quadrant

4.3 Miles  
\$435M

## 42 Transit Vehicles

\$270M

Proposed  
Joseph E Boone  
Station

Proposed  
Krog St/  
Hulsey  
Station

Proposed  
Murphy Crossing  
Station

Southwest  
Study Area

Southeast  
Study Area



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# Virtual Meeting Q&A

## Phone Attendees

- Press \*9 on telephone keypad to “raise your hand” during the Q&A to indicate you want to speak. Facilitator will unmute your mic.

## Online Attendees:

- Submit a question or comment any time in Q&A box.
- The “raise your hand” feature is available to all Zoom participants however we are prioritizing phone attendees.

## Facebook Live Attendees:

- Please feel free to participate in the “Comments Section.” Someone on our staff will make sure I see your questions.



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# Poll Question #6

**Was the information presented tonight helpful?**

- Yes
- No





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# Poll Question #7

**Did you learn something new?**

- Yes
- No
- Need more clarity



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# Thank You for Joining!

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