

# CORRIDOR CITIES TRANSITWAY

Montgomery County Council Briefing

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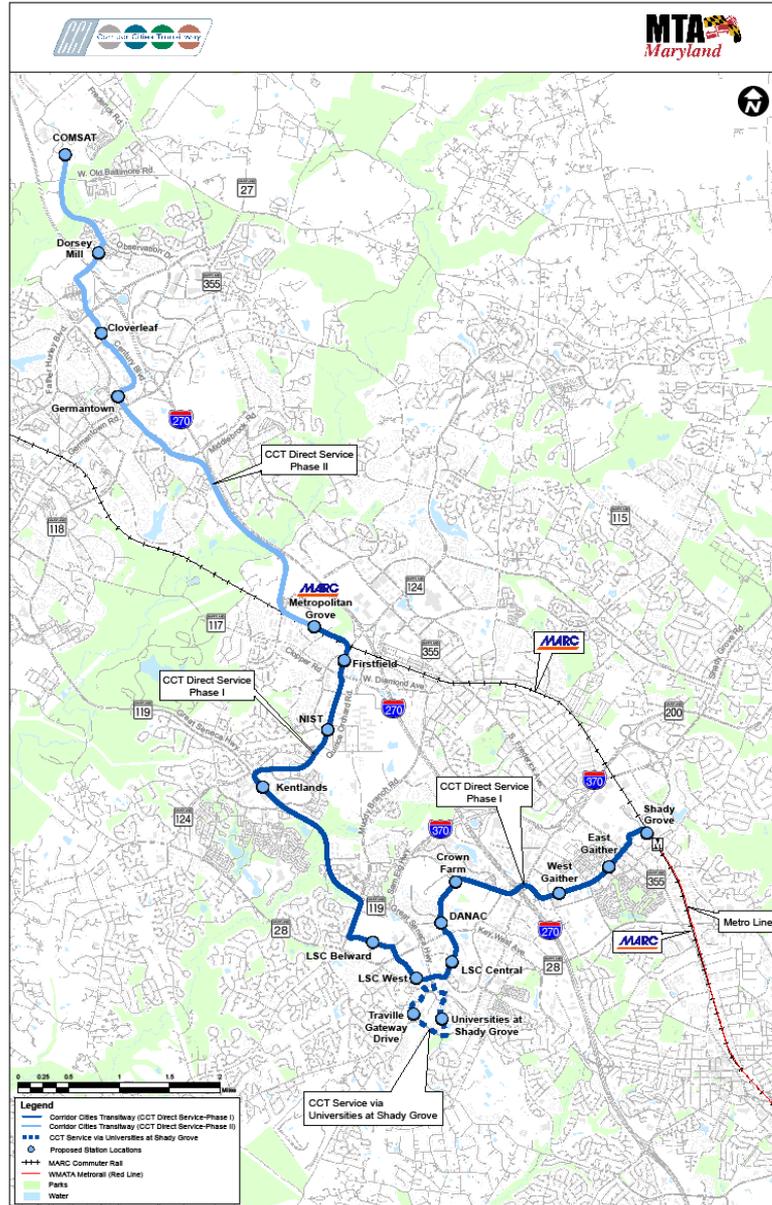




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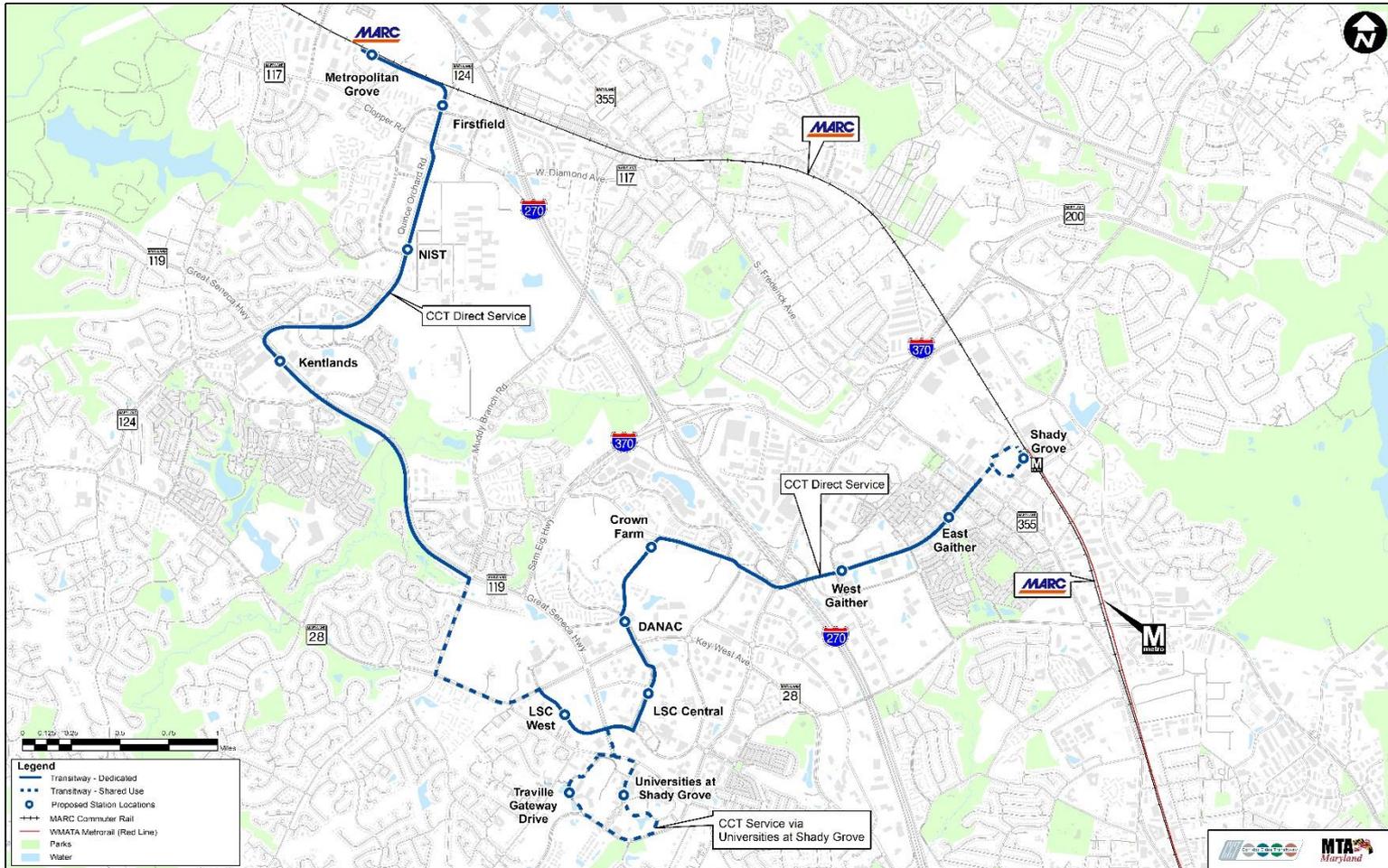
- Corridor Cities Transitway studied since 1990s
- Originally part of I-270/US 15 Multi-Modal Corridor Study
- MTA received approval from FTA and FHWA to advance CCT efforts without highway improvements (late 2011)
- Locally Preferred Alternative selected in May 2012
  - Mode: Bus Rapid Transit
  - Overall Length: 15 miles
  - Stations: 18 Proposed
  - Phased construction

# Project Map





# Phase I - Project Map





# Phase I

- Nine miles
- Fully dedicated transitway except:
  - Shady Grove Metro access
  - USG service loop
  - MD 28/Muddy Branch Road
- Stations: 11 (Direct service), 2 (Service via Universities at Shady Grove)
- Ridership: 35,900 trips per day in 2035
- Travel Time: 38 minutes
- Cost (2012\$): \$545M



# Phase I

- Vehicles
  - 30-35 articulated, high capacity rubber tire modern vehicles
  - Multiple entry ways (left and right side)
  - Off-board fare collection
- Service Frequency
  - 3.5 minutes peak period
  - 6 minutes mid-day
  - 10 minutes off peak
  - Service via USG – 15 minutes all times
- Parking
  - Shady Grove, Crown Farm, LSC West, Kentlands, and Metropolitan Grove



# Project Status

- Area Advisory Committee process was completed in June 2015
- 30% design was completed and plans were submitted to MTA on October 30, 2015
- Plans provided to Agency Stakeholders for comment. Requested a 60 day review period.
- Updating the Capital Cost Estimate
- Finalizing the Basis of Design Report and the Design Criteria Report



# Project Status

- Funding in place for Final Design and R/W acquisition. Assessing funding options for construction.
- Working with MCDOT to identify significant cost reduction measures
- Finalizing Environmental Assessment and planning for an April 2016 Public Hearing
- Preparing for transfer of project to MTA Engineering