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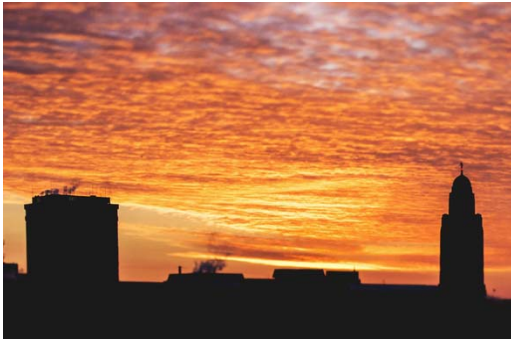
Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Regular Session

Item E5

Grand Island- Hastings- Kearney Intercity Bus Feasibility Study

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Grand Island-Hastings-Kearney Intercity Bus Feasibility Study Mobility Management – Phase 3

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Meeting Agenda

- NDOT Mobility Management Project Overview
- Intercity Bus Program
- Community Outreach
- Preferred Alternative
- Next Steps



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2019 NDOT Mobility Management Project - Phase 3

 INTERCITY BUS	 MOBILITY MANAGEMENT	 REGIONAL SERVICE COORDINATION	 CAMPUS TRANSIT	 URBAN TRANSIT	 TECHNOLOGY	 STATEWIDE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Grand Island Study ★ Lincoln / Omaha Feasibility New Intercity Bus Routes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mobility Manager Assessment ★ Mobility Manager Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement Regional Activities Identify/Develop Regional Options Nebraska Coordination West Coordination North Central Hospital Corridor ★ Regional Meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Omaha / Lincoln Commuter Bus Rural College Transit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Norfolk Flex Route 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reservation App Shared Trip Calendar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ RFPs / RFQs Mobility as a Service Marketing Annual Meeting Statewide Coordination Committee ★ Public Relations / Statewide Statewide Regional Transportation Plan / Coordination



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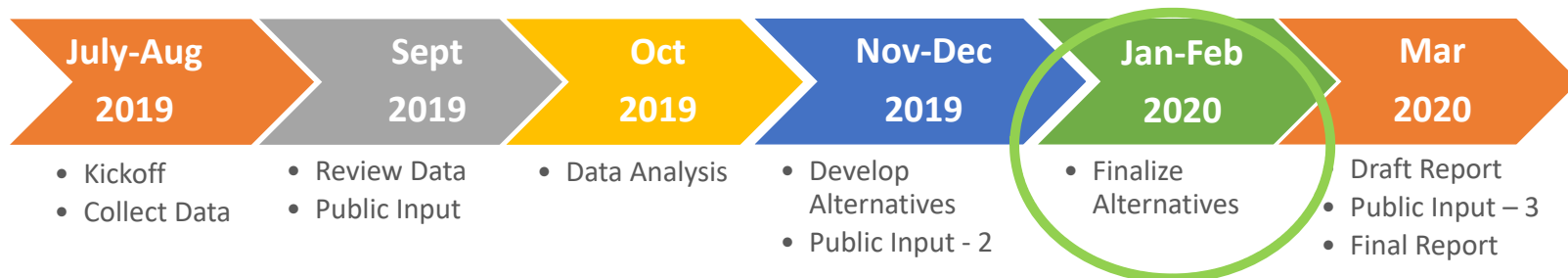
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Schedule / Scope

- July 2019 to March 2020
- Project Team Meetings
- Technical Committee
- Stakeholder Interviews/Survey

Intercity Bus - Project Tasks

1. Develop Tech Committee
2. Review Studies / plans
3. Community Engagement
4. Community Overview
5. Existing Services
6. Transit Needs
- 7. Develop Alternatives / Prioritize**
8. Potential Funding Programs
9. Operational Plan/Implementation
10. Draft/Final Report



Funding: FTA Section 5311(f) Rural Intercity Bus - Regulations

- Requires a “meaningful connection” where possible to the national network of intercity bus services-
- Subsidized service serve same location as national service
- Schedules coincide to allow reasonably convenient transfers
- No “commuter bus service (service primarily designed to provide daily work trips within the local commuting area)”
- Needs to link non-urban areas (under 50,000), or non-urban to urbanized (over 50,000)



Ohio and Ventura County, CA

Community Engagement - INPUT

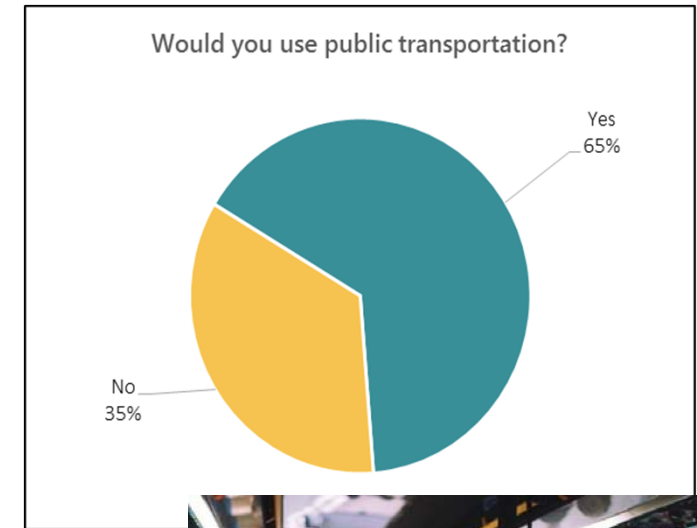
- Technical Committee
- Stakeholders / Focus Groups
 - September, December 2019, March 2020
- Community/Employer Survey – Sept/Oct
 - Over 300 responses/over 50 responses
- **THANK YOU!**



WE LISTENED!!

What We Heard

- Intercity Service – Over 65% would use public transportation
- Riders want guaranteed connections in the local communities
- Affordable
- WiFi and Charging Units
- Convenient Schedules
- Approximately 50% of business may be willing to support employees who use transit (flex hours, bus pass, etc)



WiFi Networks



USB/Power Outlets

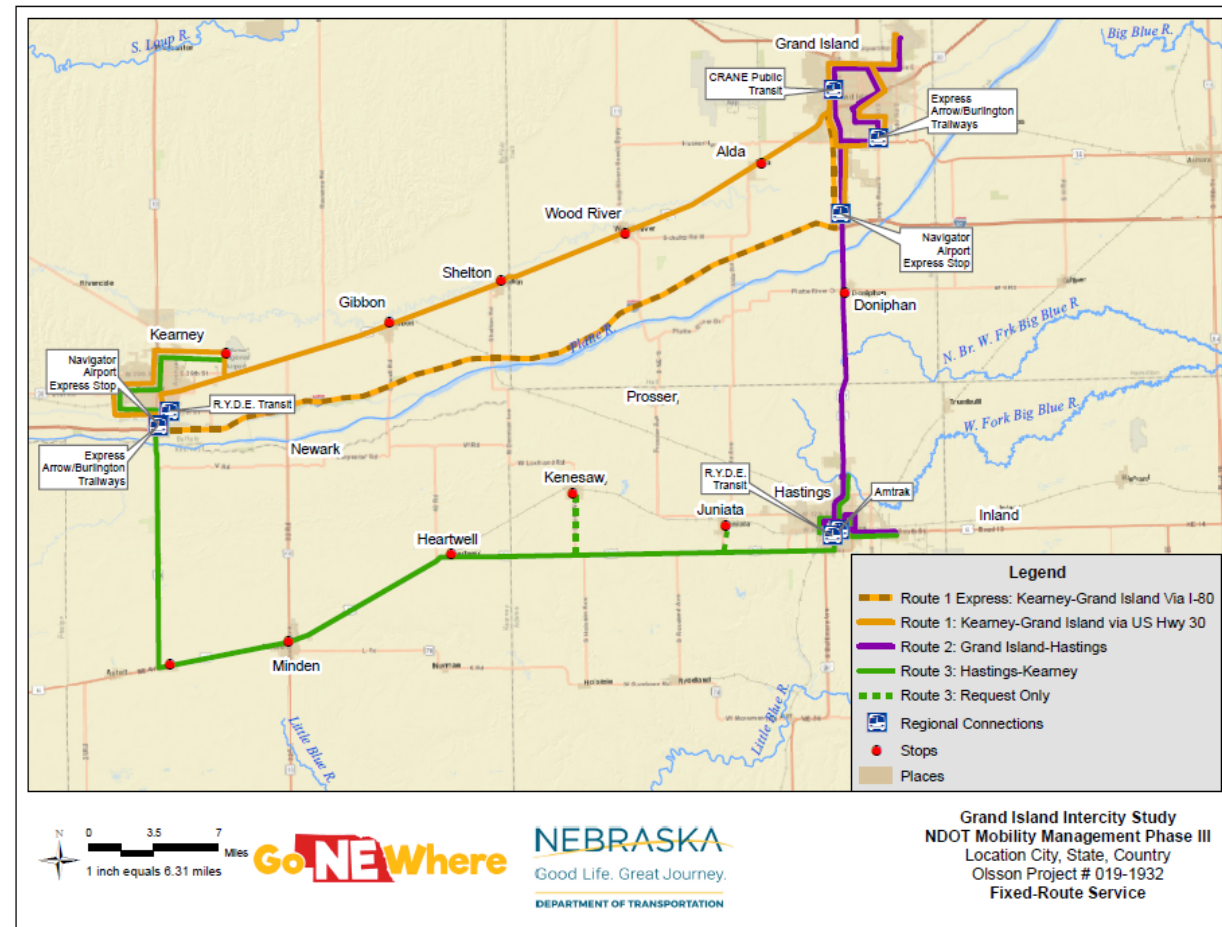
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Preferred Plan

*Based upon Community Feedback

- Option 1 – Flexroutes
 - 4 routes

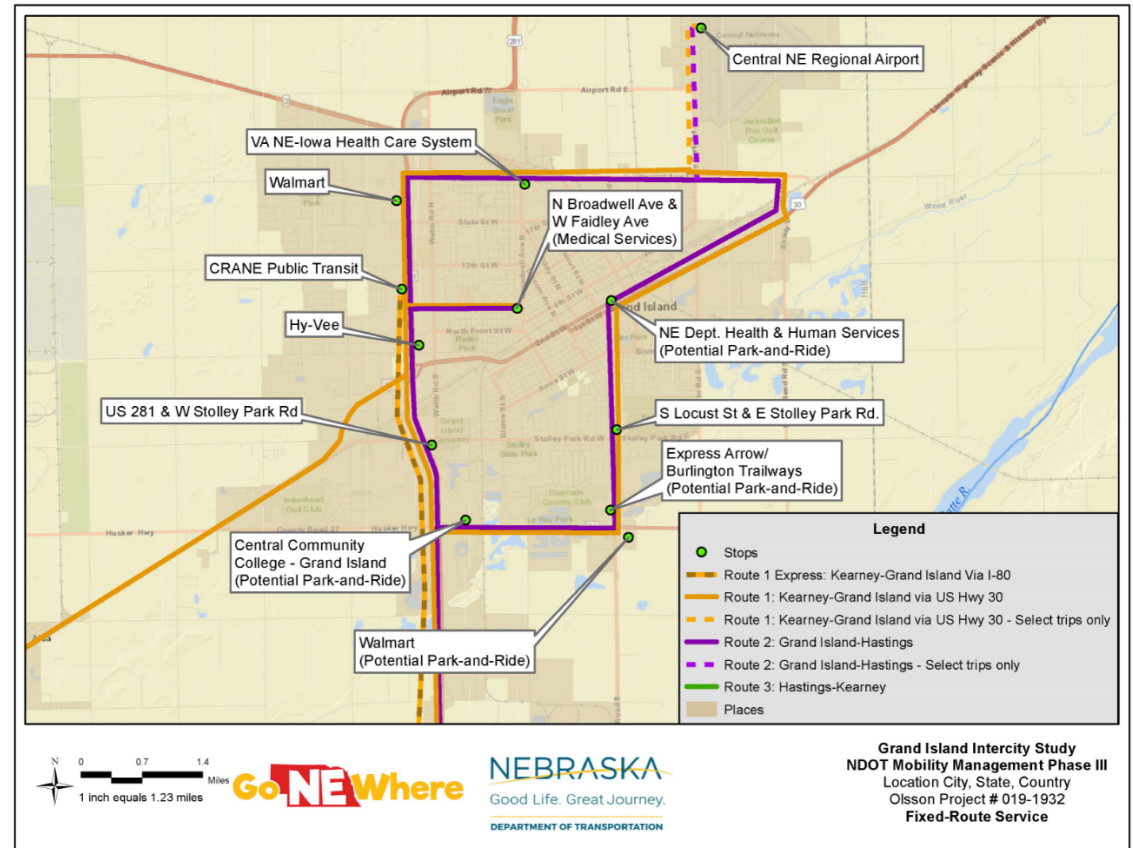
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 - Budget updates – operating/capital
 - Implementation Plan



Preferred Plan

*Grand Island Initial Routing

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Grand Island/Hastings/Kearney Intercity Bus Feasibility Study

Questions / Discussion

Thank YOU!!
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