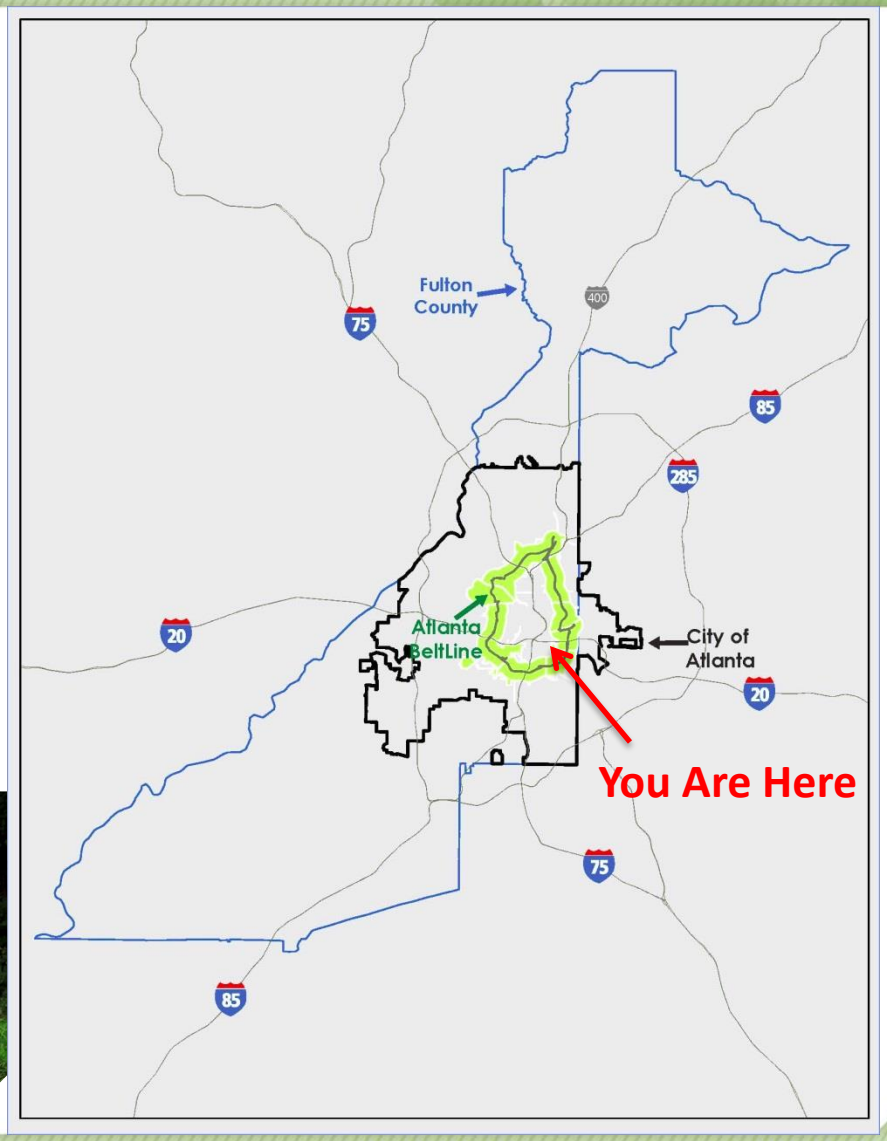
Atlanta BeltLine

// Southeast Study Group: Atlanta BeltLine Refresher

// November 12, 2015

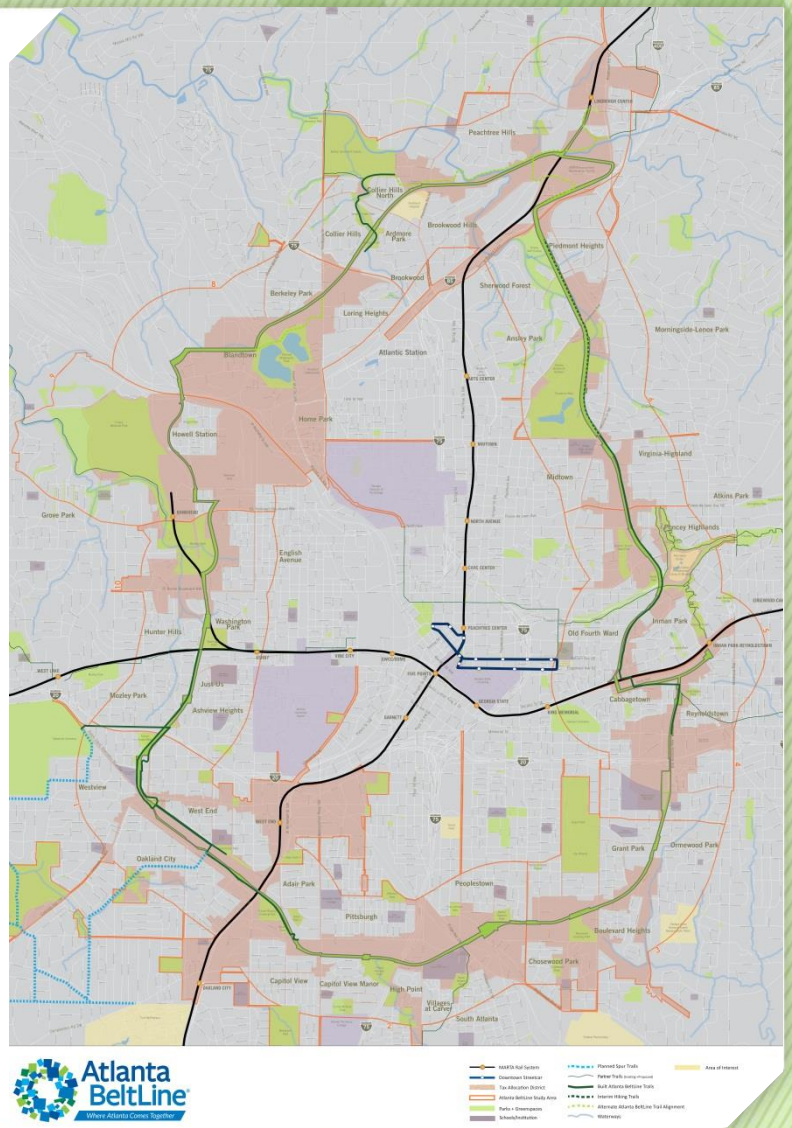
// Where is the Atlanta BeltLine?

- In the heart of the Atlanta region
- Connects many of Atlanta's cultural landmarks and institutional destinations
- Connects four historic abandoned freight rail rights of way encircling the center of town



// What is the Atlanta BeltLine?

- Unites 45 neighborhoods
- 22% of the City of Atlanta population lives in the Planning Area
- 19% of the City's land mass is inside the mile-wide 15,000 acre planning area
- 6,500 acre TAD



// The Atlanta BeltLine: Key Elements

Atlanta BeltLine

1,300 ACRES
of New Greenspace
(+700 ADDITIONAL ACRES REBUILT)

22 MILES
of Transit & Transportation Infrastructure

33 MILES
of Urban Trails

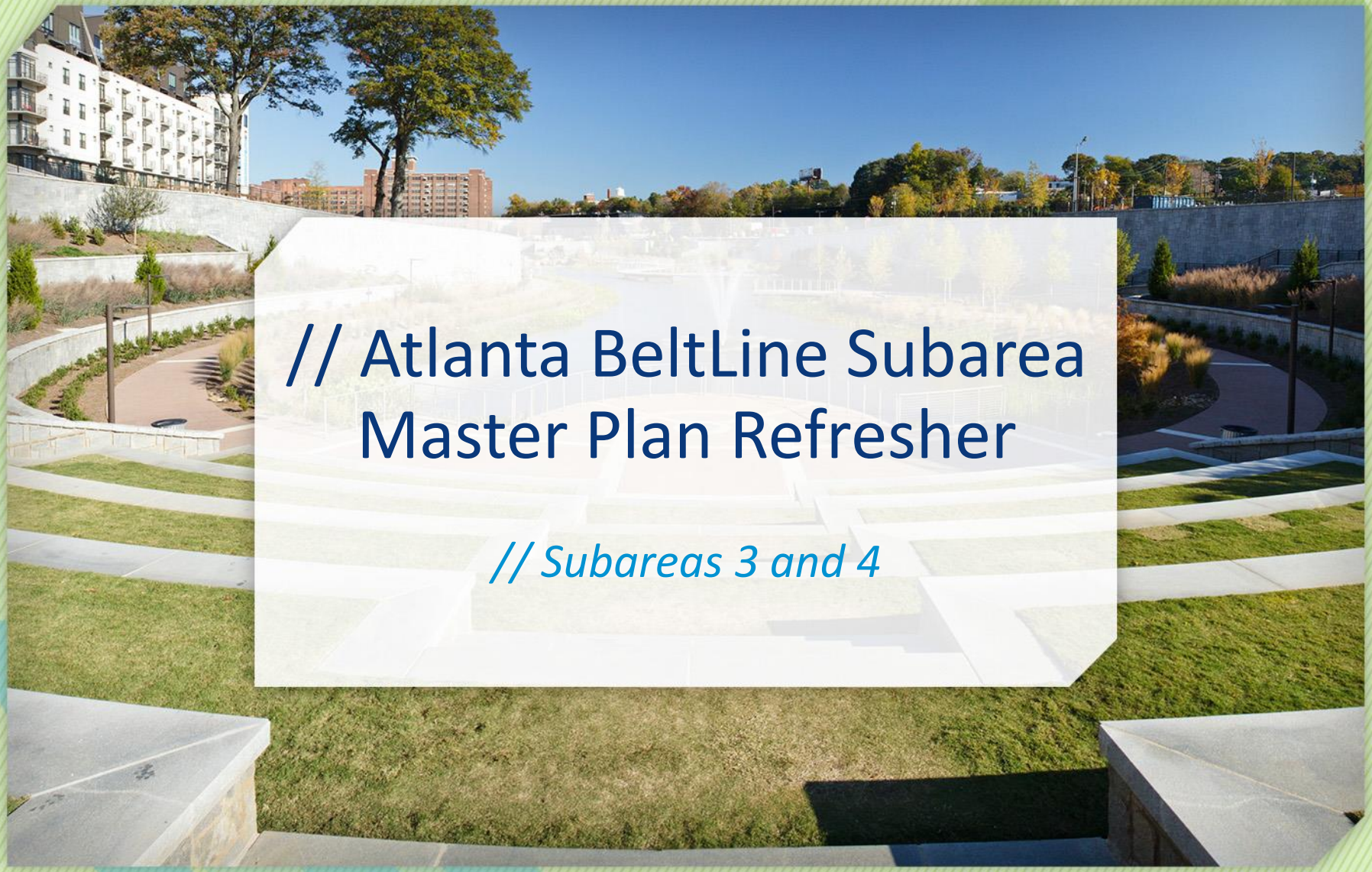
46 MILES
Streetscapes & Complete Streets

5,600 UNITS
of Affordable Workforce Housing
(AS PART OF 28,000 TOTAL UNITS)

30,000 JOBS & $10-20B
Economic Development

Corridor-wide Historic Preservation, Public Art and Arboretum

> 1,100 ACRES
of Environmental Clean-up



// Atlanta BeltLine Subarea Master Plan Refresher

// Subareas 3 and 4

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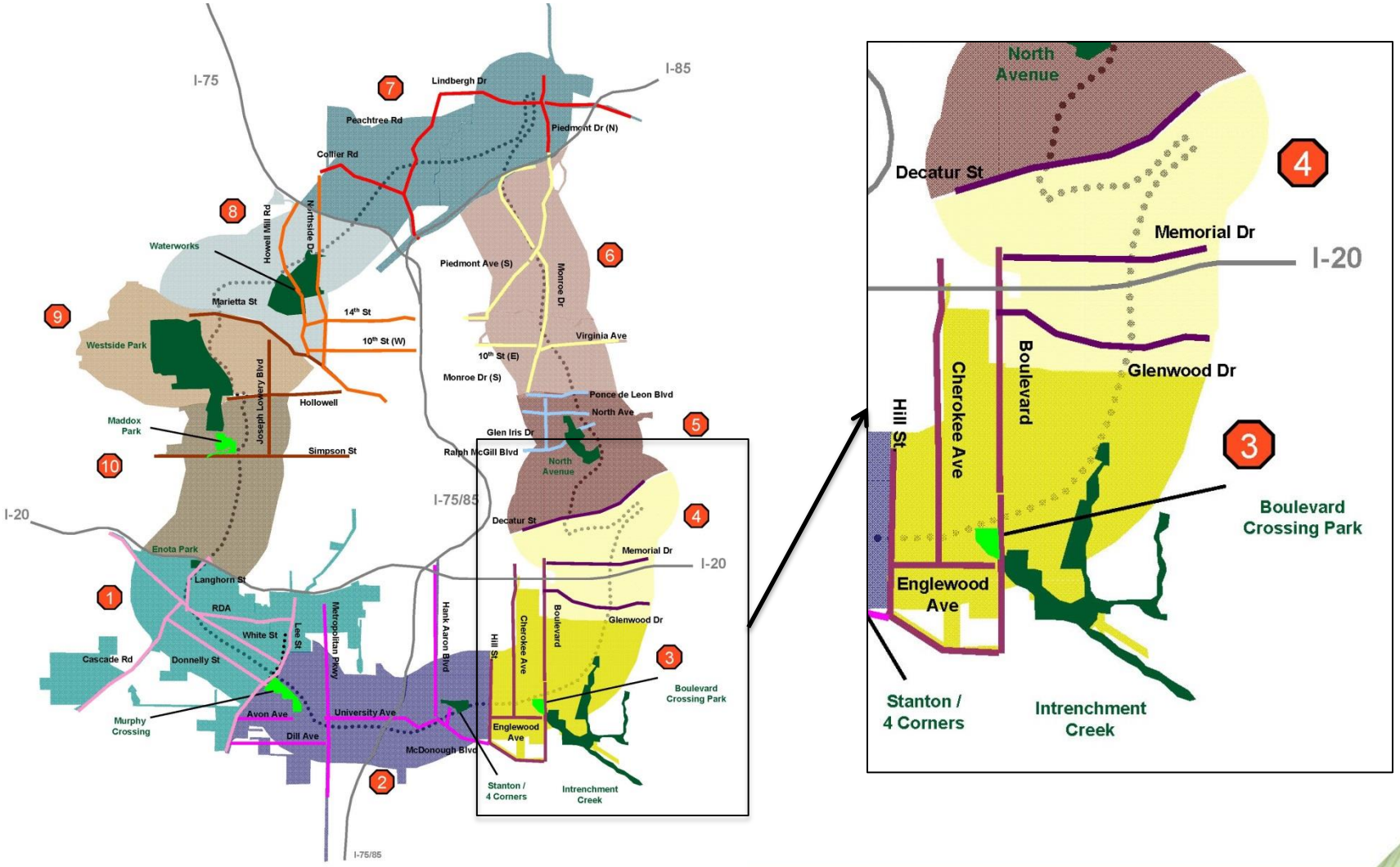

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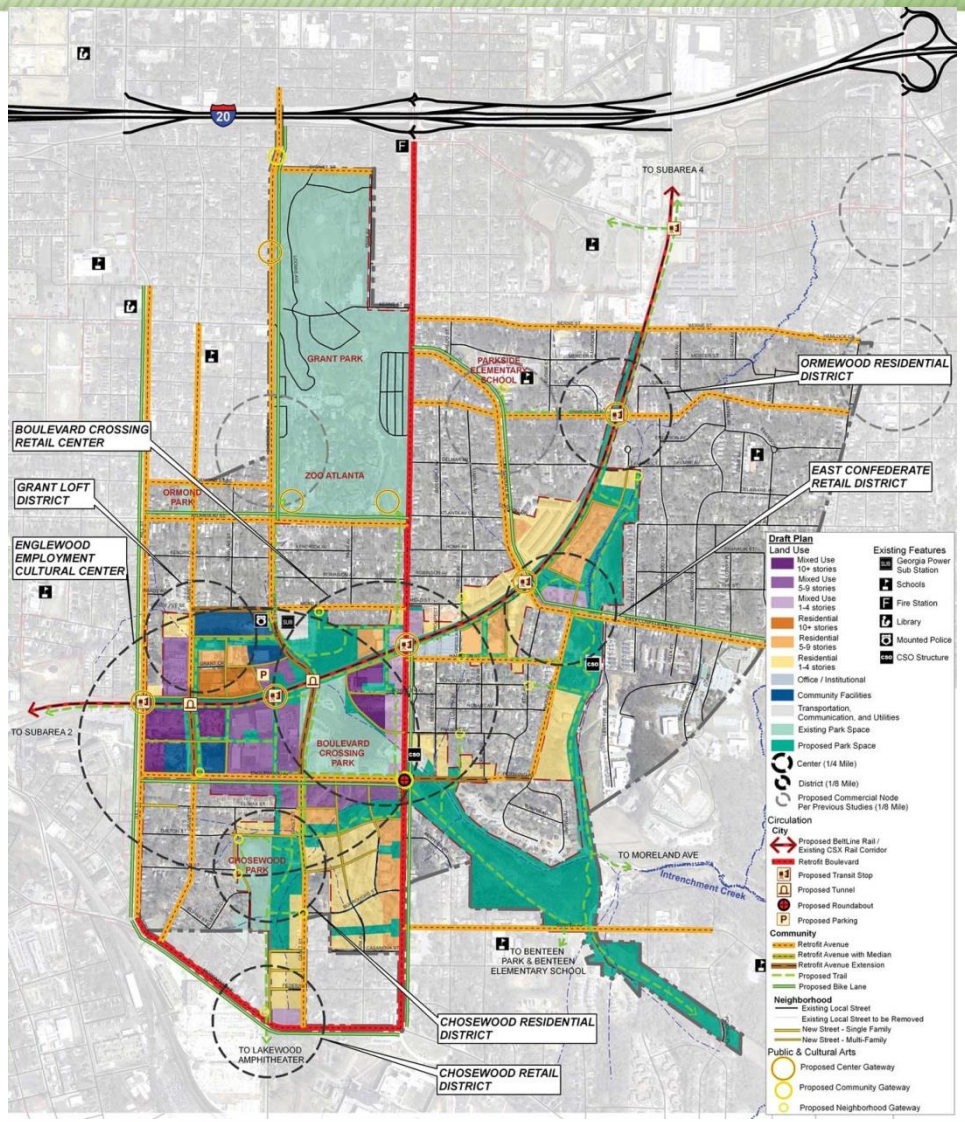

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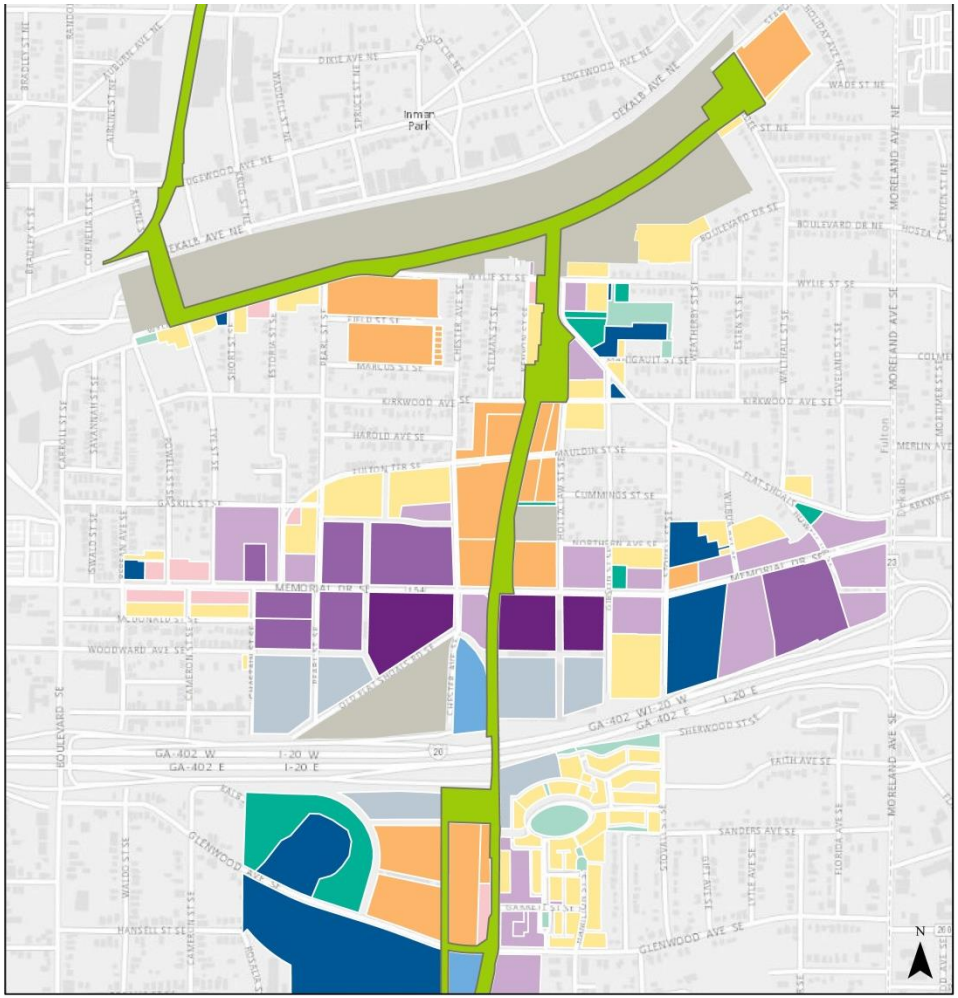
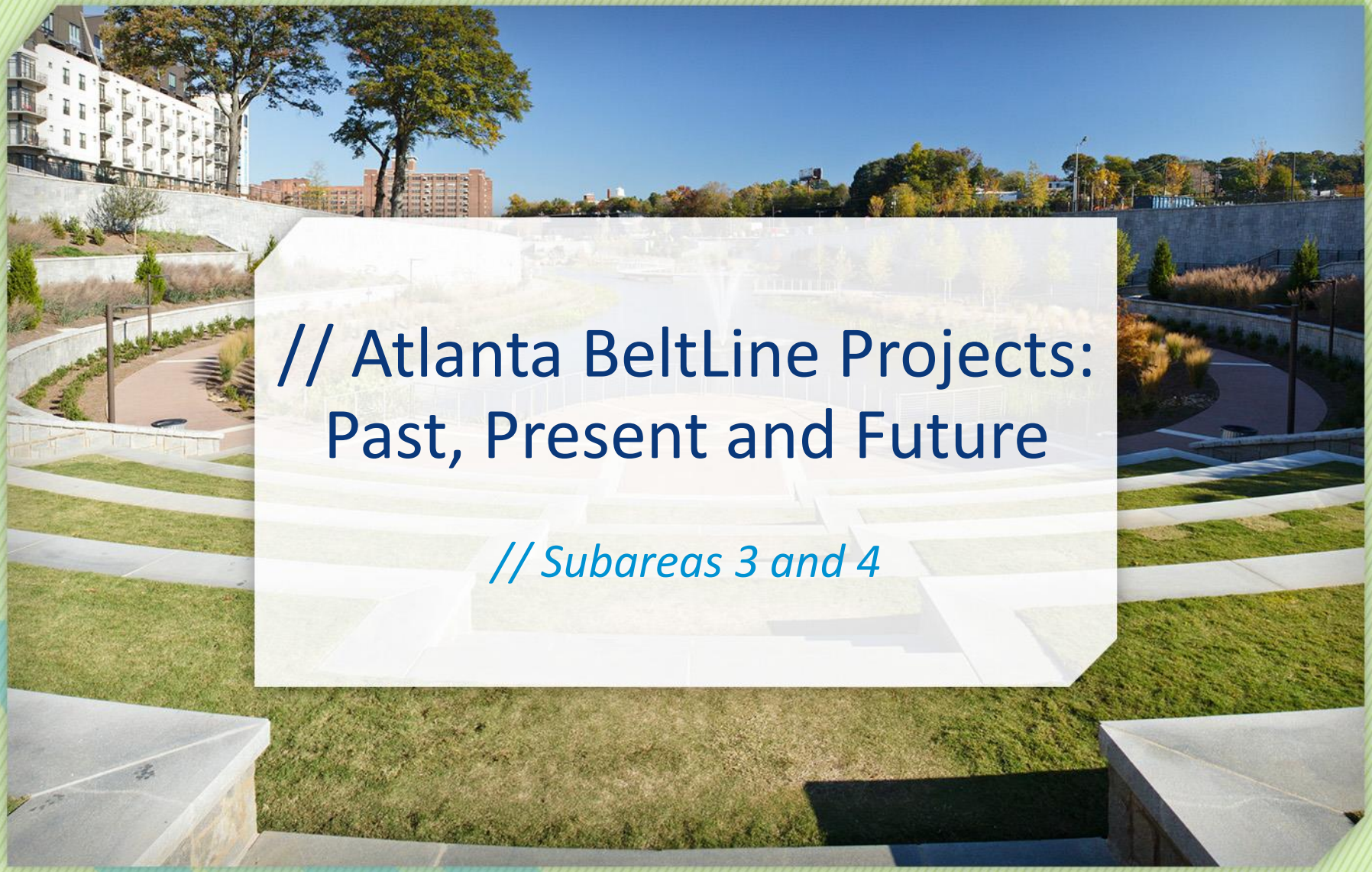


Legend

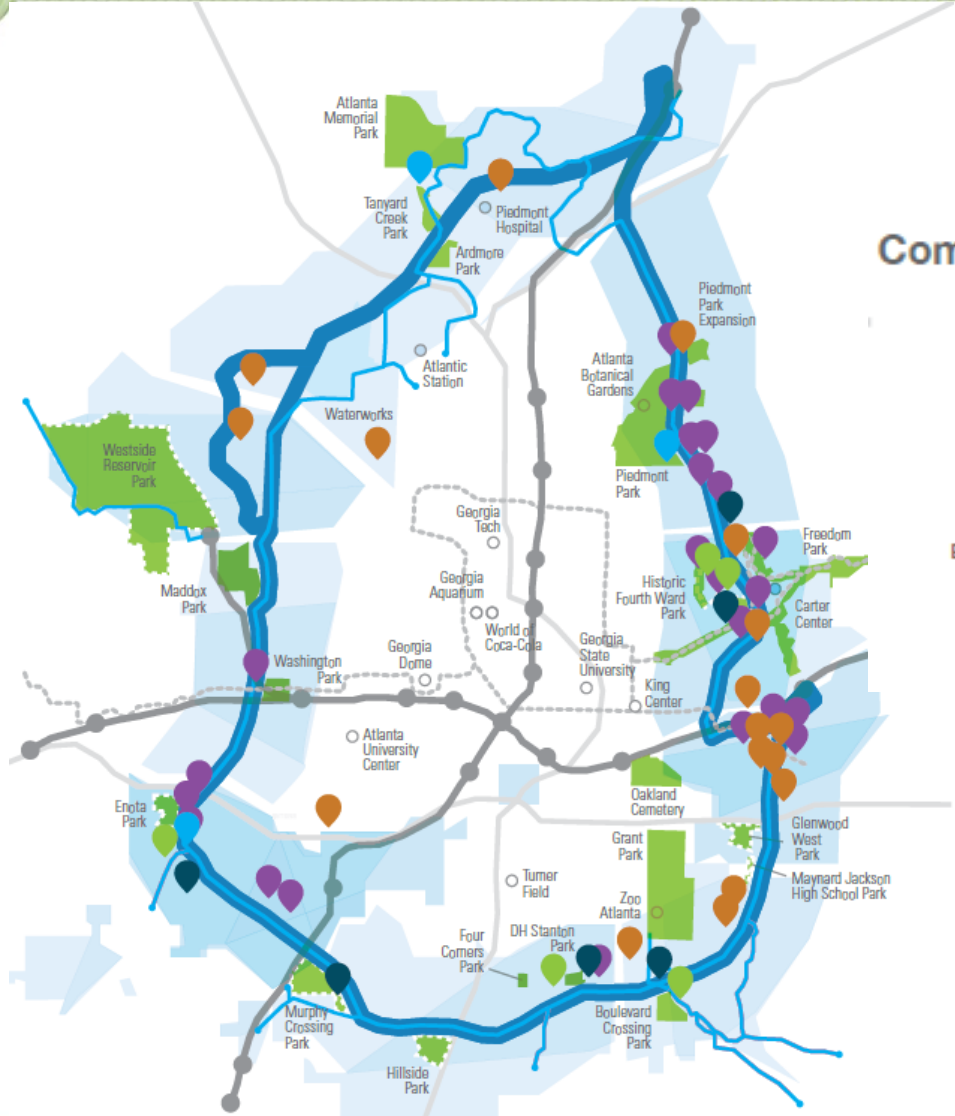
- Atlanta BeltLine Corridor
- Community Facility
- Industrial
- Low Density Commercial
- Low Density Residential
- Medium Density Residential
- Low Density Mixed Use
- Medium Density Mixed Use
- High Density Mixed Use
- Proposed Park Spacew
- Existing Park Space
- Office/Institutional
- Transit Corridor



// Atlanta BeltLine Projects: Past, Present and Future

// Subareas 3 and 4

// Overall Progress to Date



Completed Projects

- TRAILS
- PARKS
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION
- PUBLIC ART

Legend

- ATLANTA BELTLINE RAIL
- ATLANTA BELTLINE TRAIL
- MARTA
- INTERSTATE
- PATH TRAILS
- PARKS (EXISTING)
- PARKS (PLANNED)
- LANDMARKS

- Total investment to date: $405m

// Local Projects Completed

- Boulevard Crossing Park
- Lofts at Reynoldstown Crossing

// Current Projects

- Reynoldstown Senior:
  - 70 units for senior citizens
  - Currently under construction
  - Funders include Mercy Housing, Invest Atlanta, DCA, ABI
  - Received over $1.5M in Atlanta BeltLine Affordable Housing Trust Fund and other incentive funding
  - Helps ensure affordable housing opportunities on Eastside Trail

// Current Projects

- Design Review Committee:
  - Advocate for and support the consistent application and implementation of the BeltLine Overlay and the City zoning resolution
  - Provide recommendations to the Office of Planning to support projects consistent with the Sub-Area Master Plan Visions
  - Encourage enhanced design features in redevelopments and new projects
  - Provide development technical assistance to elevate the "overall design quality" of each project
  - Systematic tracking of all Atlanta BeltLine Projects

// Current Projects

- Reynoldstown Stage
  - Proposals have been reviewed and Pond & Co. was selected

// Current Projects

- Eastside Trail Extension
  - Bids received October 13th, 2015
  - Construction expected to take 18 months

// Current Projects

- Southside Trail Design
  - RFQ for design & engineering due 11/12
  - Includes 4-mile trail between University Ave. & Memorial Dr.
  - Design to include lighting, retaining walls, vertical connections, storm drainage, signage/wayfinding, and bridges

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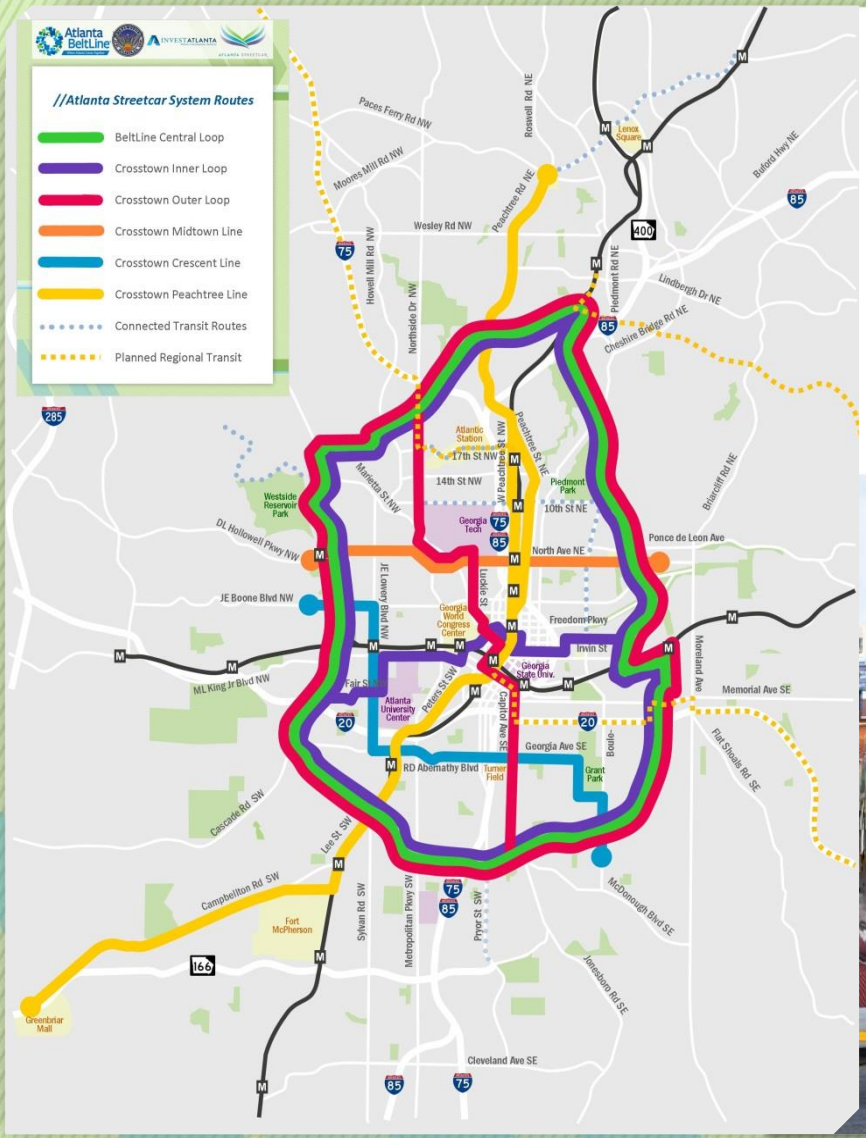

- Streetcar System Plan Refinement
  - Refinement integrates multiple crosstown streetcar routes with service along the Atlanta BeltLine corridor

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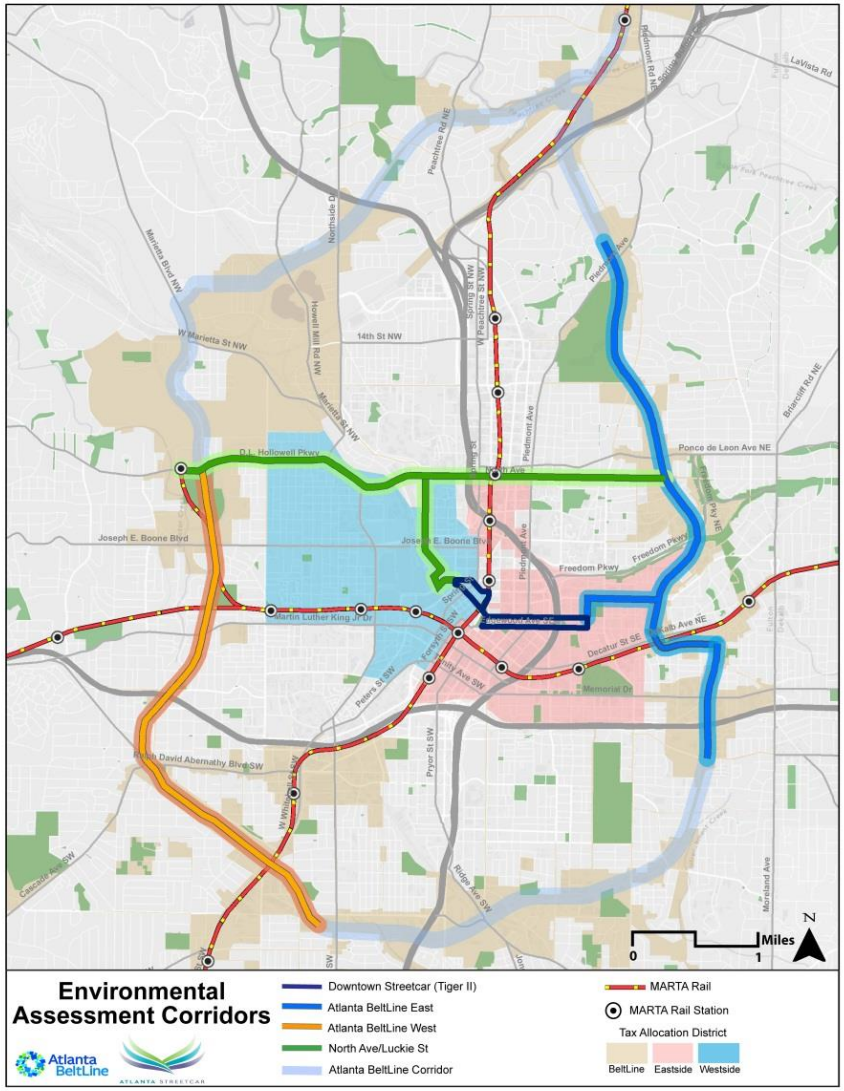


- Atlanta Streetcar/Atlanta BeltLine Environmental Assessments
  - **Atlanta BeltLine East**
    Montgomery Ferry Road to Glenwood Avenue;
    Irwin Street (5.9 miles)
  - **Atlanta BeltLine West**
    D. L. Hollowell Pkwy to University Avenue (4.6 miles)
  - **Crosstown Midtown**
    North Avenue;
    Luckie Street (4.8 miles)

// Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP)

- Flexible framework to complete the short- and long-term elements of the Atlanta BeltLine
- Developed in 2013 for all projects and programs moving forward
  - Designed for completion in 2030
- Broken into 3 distinct periods
  - Period 1: FY14-FY18
  - Period 2: FY19-FY23
  - Period 3: FY24-FY30
- Outlines proposed order and spacing of projects and programs

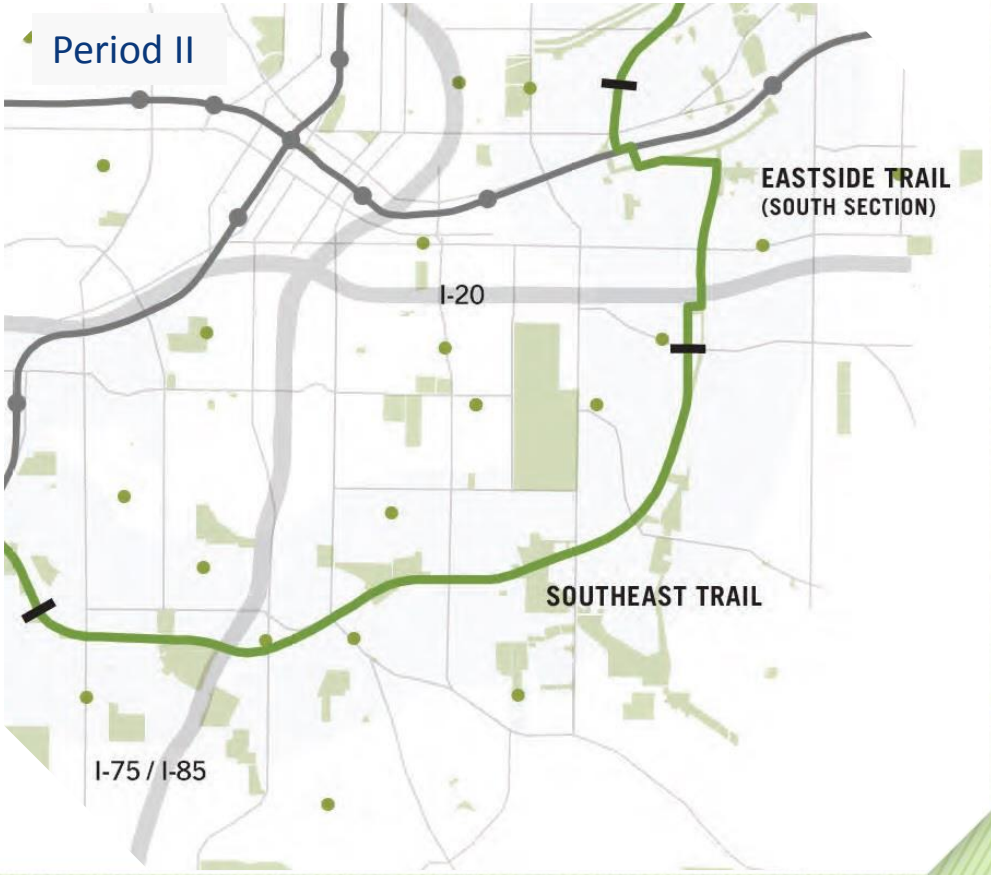
//Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP)

- Criterion for determining project priority include:
  - Development impact, equity, financial options, project readiness, goal consistency, and ridership (for transit projects)

Rendering of Glenwood and Memorial Drive

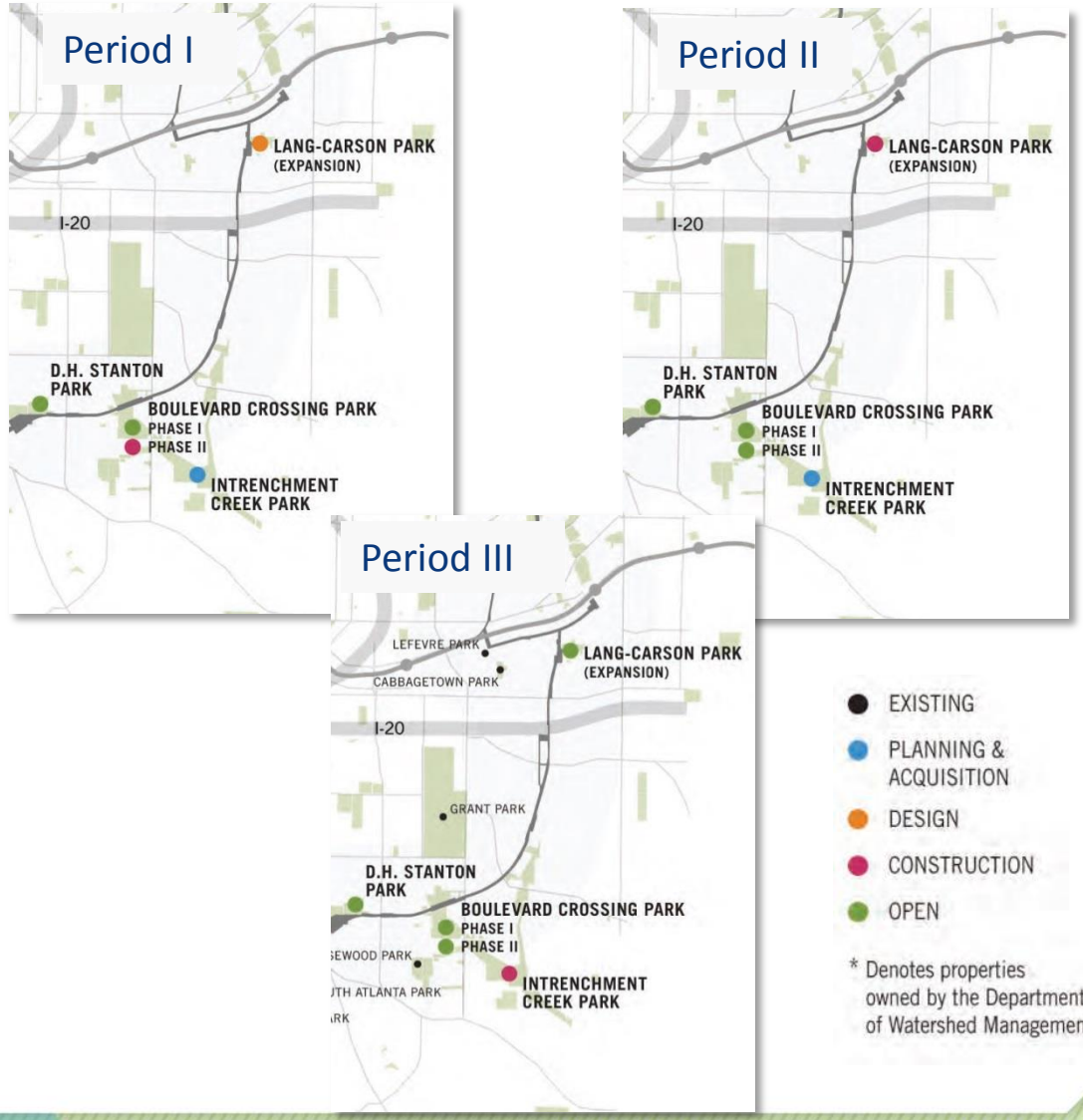
// SIP Trails Timeline

- Eastside Trail Extension completion in Period 1: FY14-FY18
- Southside (Southeast) Trail completion in Period II: FY19-FY23



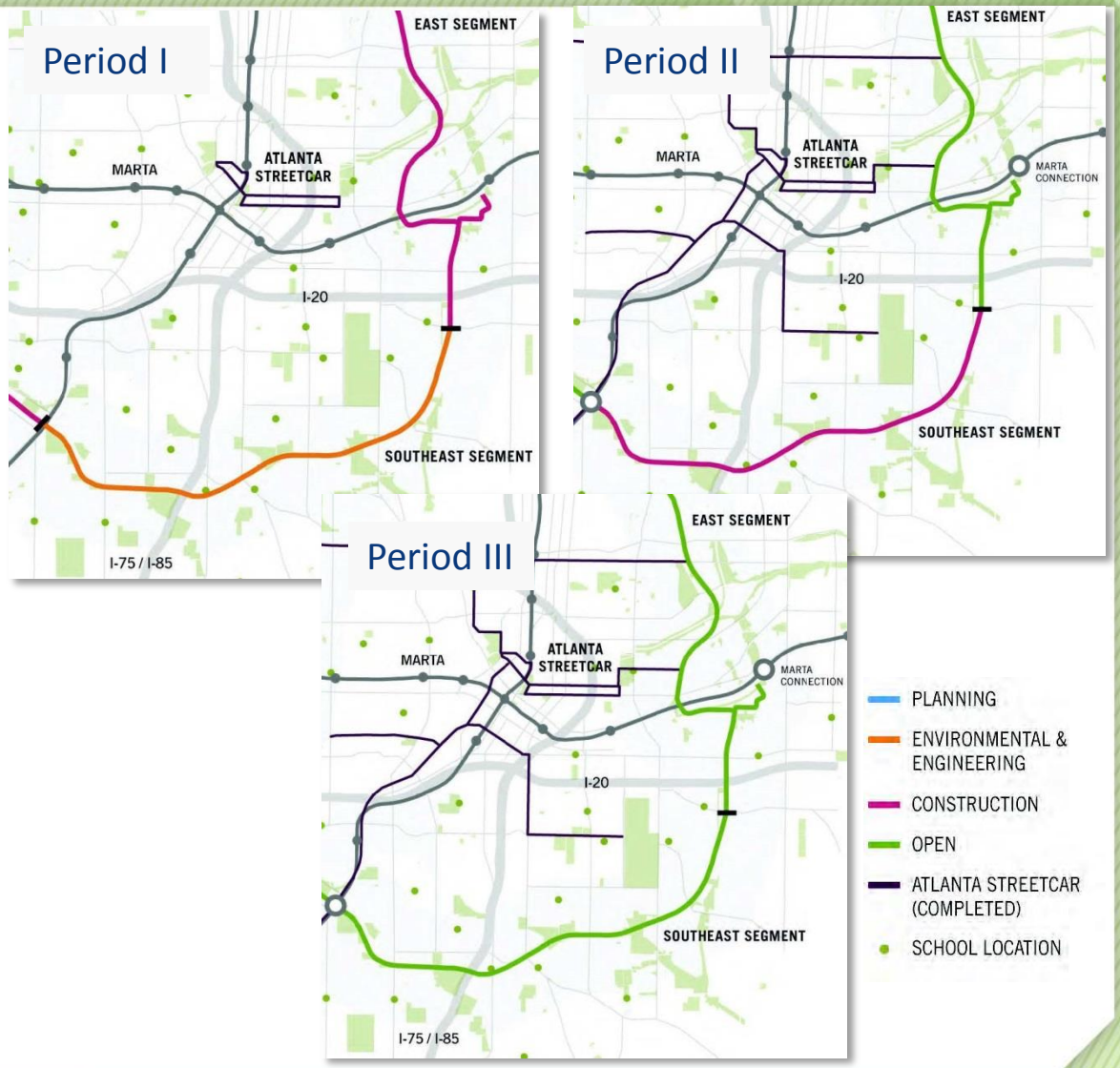
// SIP Parks Timeline

- Boulevard Crossing Park
  - Phase I
    - *FY14-FY18*
  - Phase II
    - *FY19-FY23*
- Entrenchment Creek Park and Lang-Carson Park
  - FY24-FY30



// SIP Transit Timeline

- East Segment Completion in Period II
  - FY19-FY23
- Southeast Segment Completion in Period III
  - FY24-FY30



// Questions?