Atlanta Streetcar Program

Environmental Clearance Process Update

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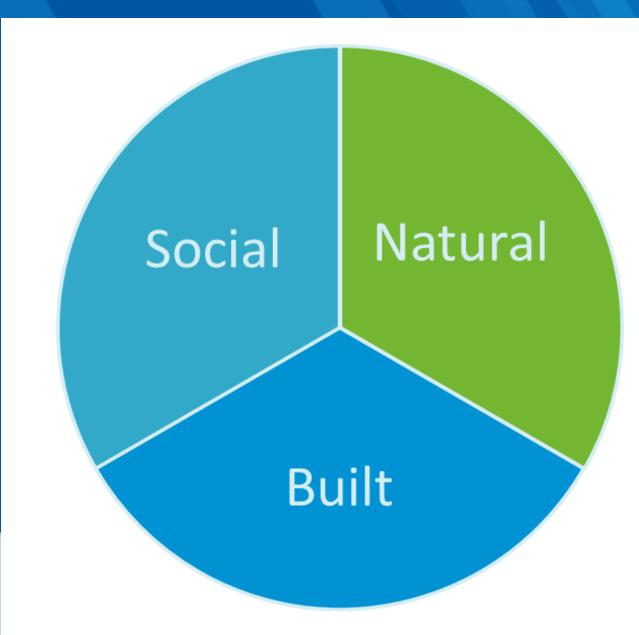
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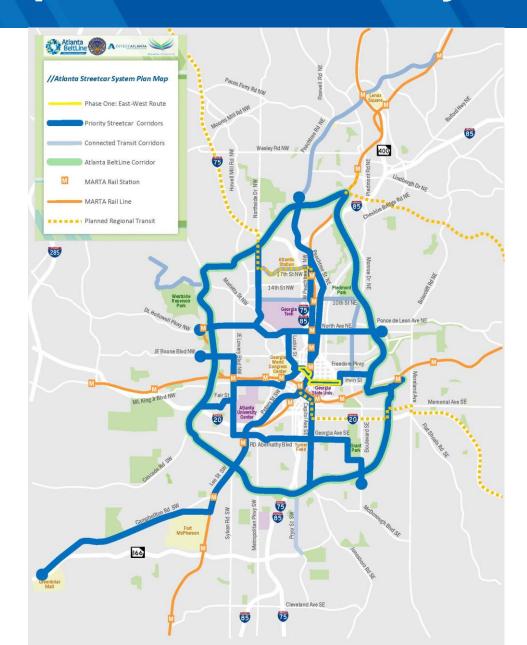
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- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969
- Projects with federal funds must consider impacts to the environment

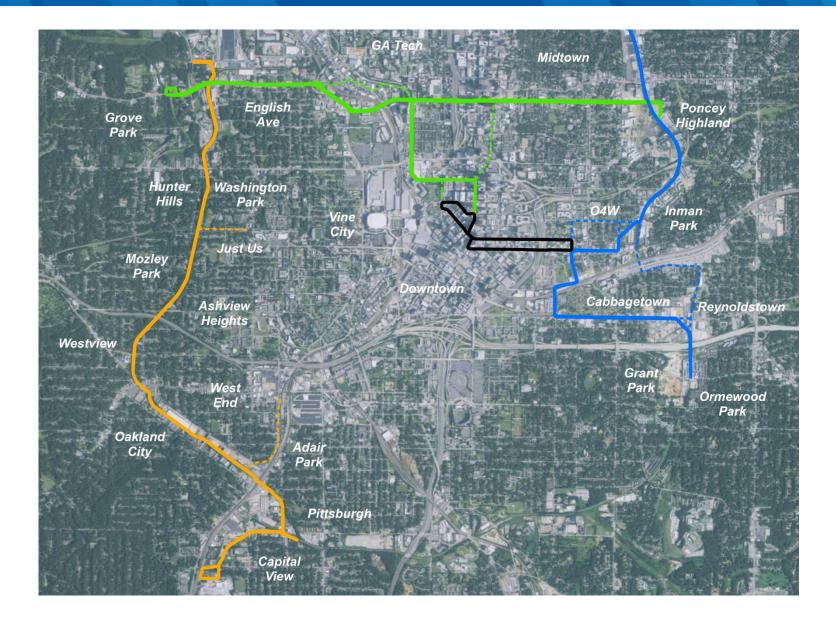
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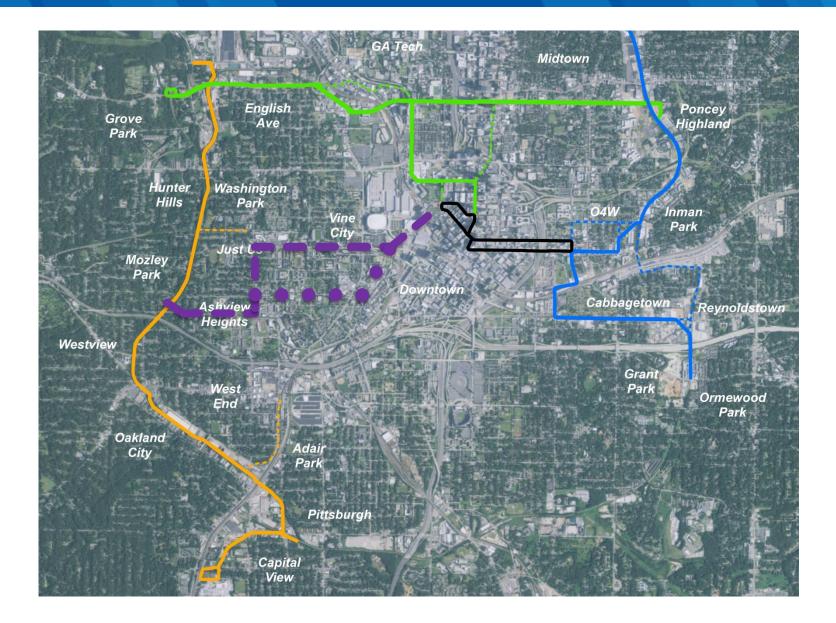
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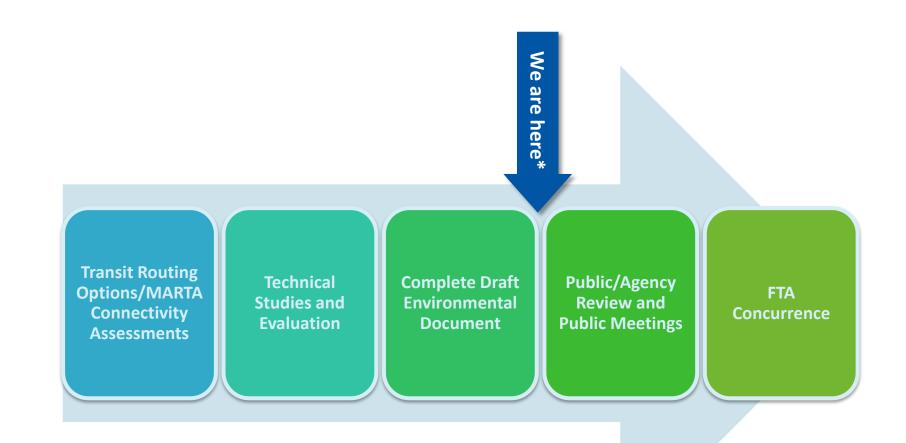
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Milestone Schedule



*Technical studies are now starting for the Crosstown Downtown corridor

Atlanta BeltLine West Transit Corridor

Environmental Document





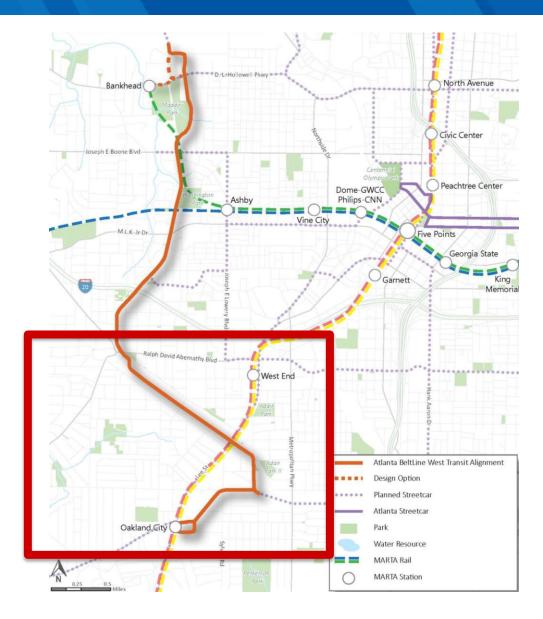
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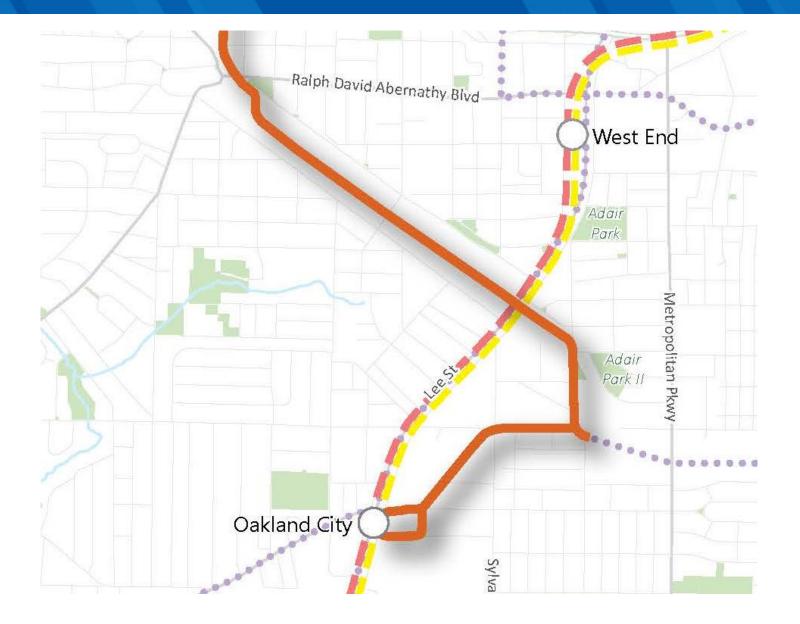
West: Two Focus Areas



West: Southern Focus Area



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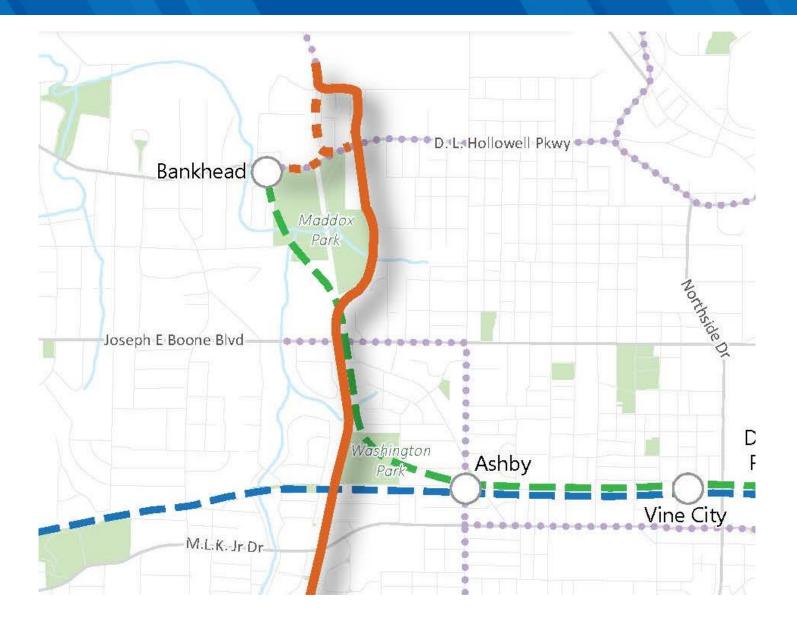
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West: Northern Focus Area



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West: Preferred Alignment



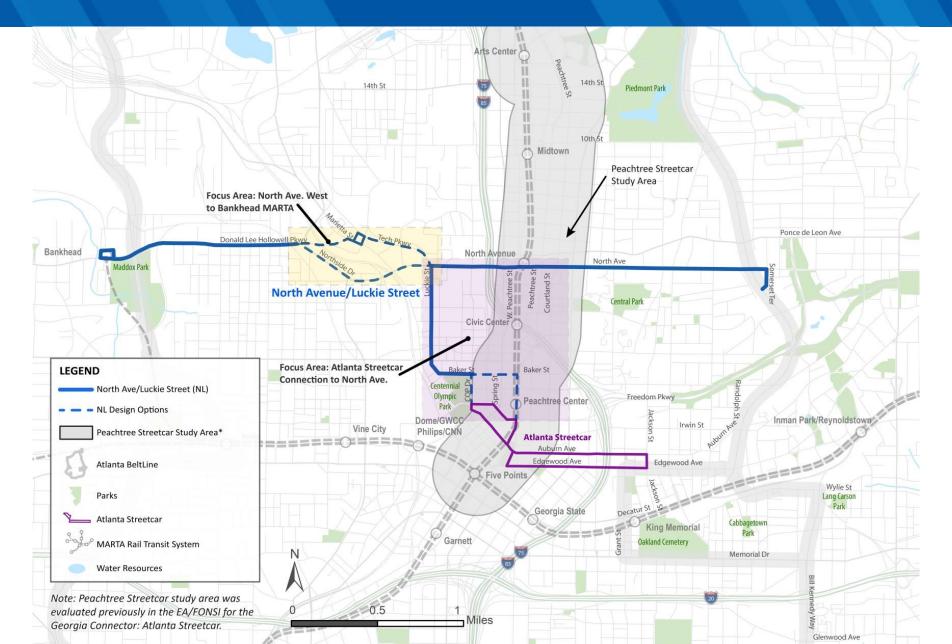
Crosstown Midtown Transit Corridor

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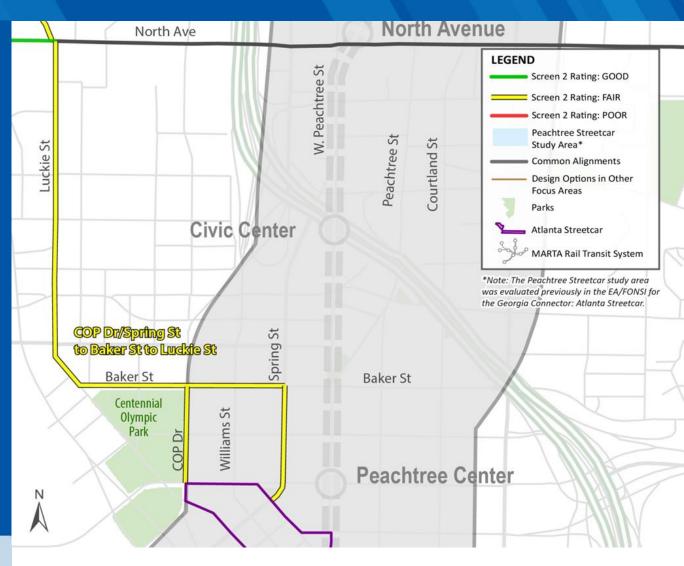


Crosstown Midtown: Two Focus Areas



A-Line to North Avenue:

- Based on Stakeholder and Business Community feedback, Spring Street is not a viable route connecting A-line streetcar to Baker Street
- Williams Street is also not viable due to building impacts from turning radii
- COP Drive and Baker Street remain potential connection routes

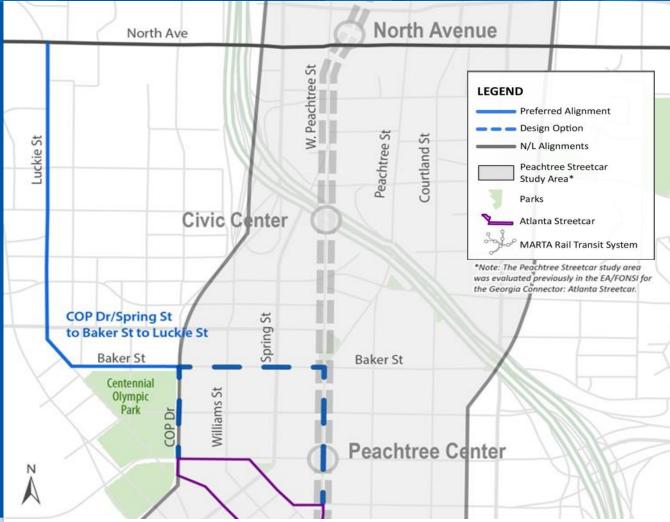






A-Line to North Avenue:

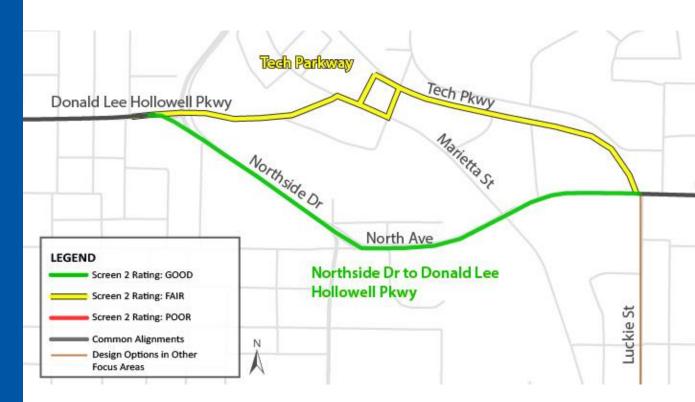
- Evaluated two options:
 - Peachtree-Baker double-track
 - COP Drive double-track
- Uncertain utilities and ROW
- Preferred alignment is COP Drive
- Carry Peachtree-Baker
 as a design option





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Luckie Street to MARTA Bankhead Station



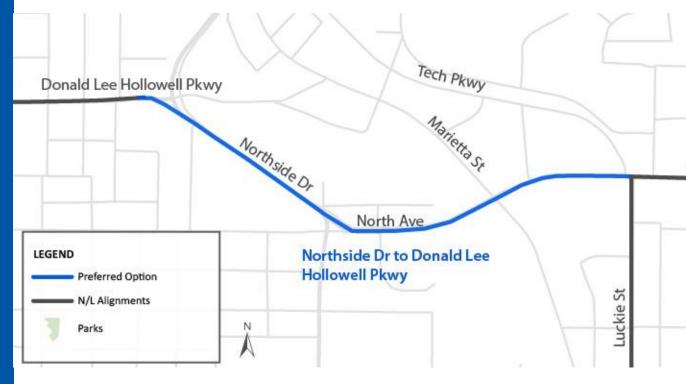


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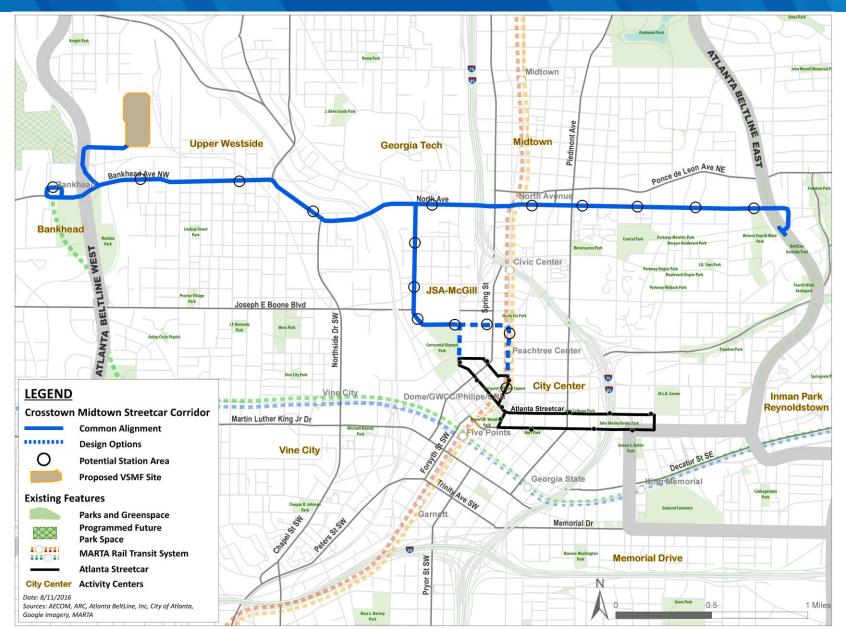
Luckie Street to MARTA Bankhead Station:

- Tech Parkway is not project ready – would require new bridge, new roadway, and property acquisitions.
- Northside Drive option provides better redevelopment opportunities.
- Northside Drive is the preferred alignment

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Crosstown Midtown: Preferred Alignment & Design Option



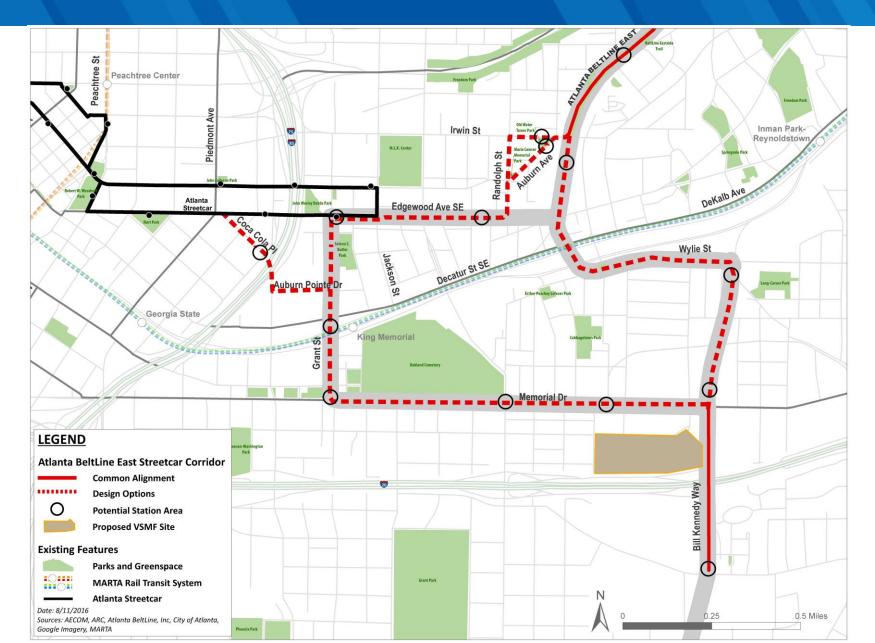
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East: Alignment Design Options



East: Preferred Alignment & Design Options



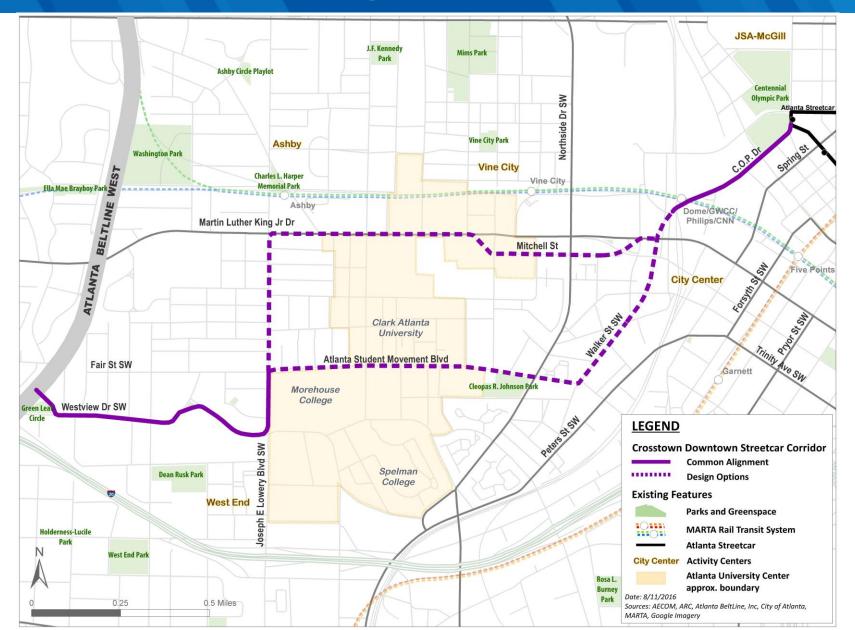
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Crosstown Downtown: Design Options



Next Steps

- Continued community engagement
- Submit draft environmental documents to FTA
 - AB West: September
 - AB East: October
 - Crosstown Midtown: November
 - Crosstown Downtown: December



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Crossing DeKalb Ave

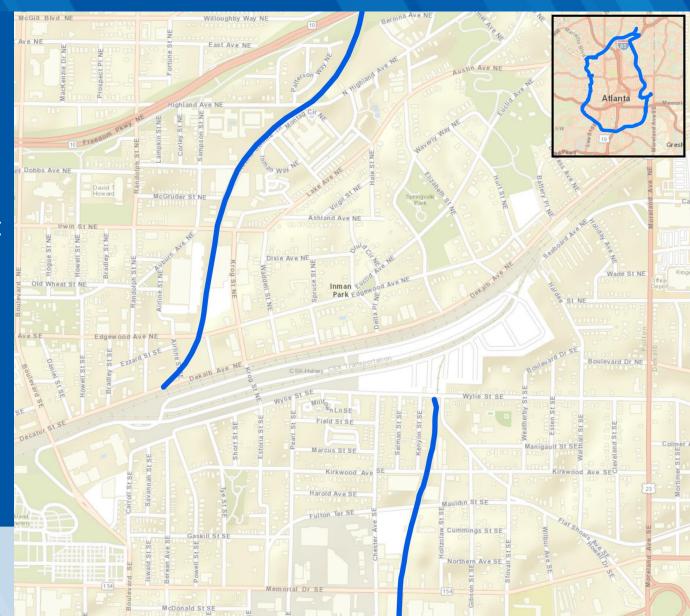
Existing Freight Corridors

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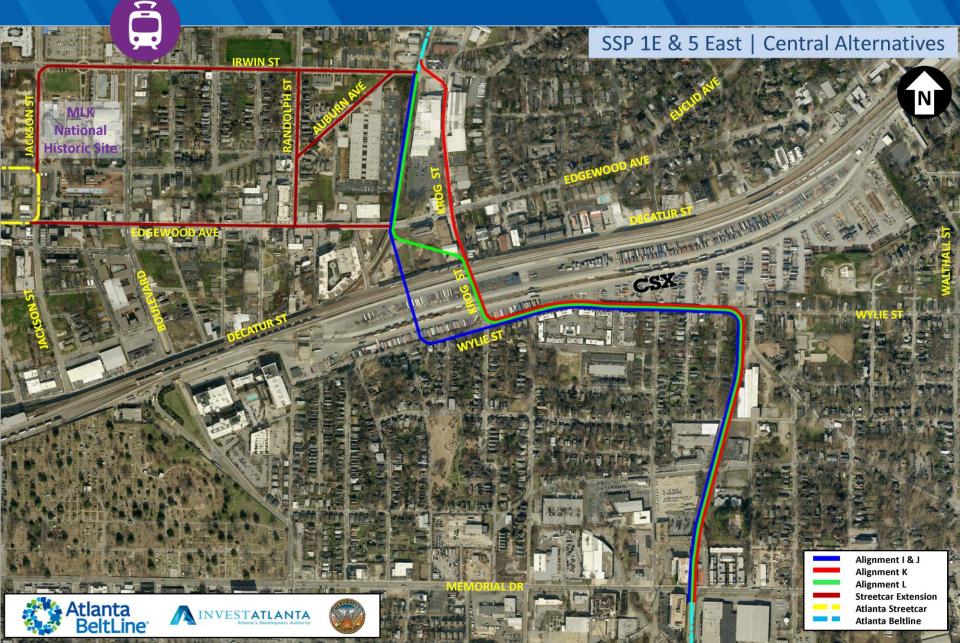
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- Atlanta & W Point
- Disconnected lines currently separated by Hulsey Yard

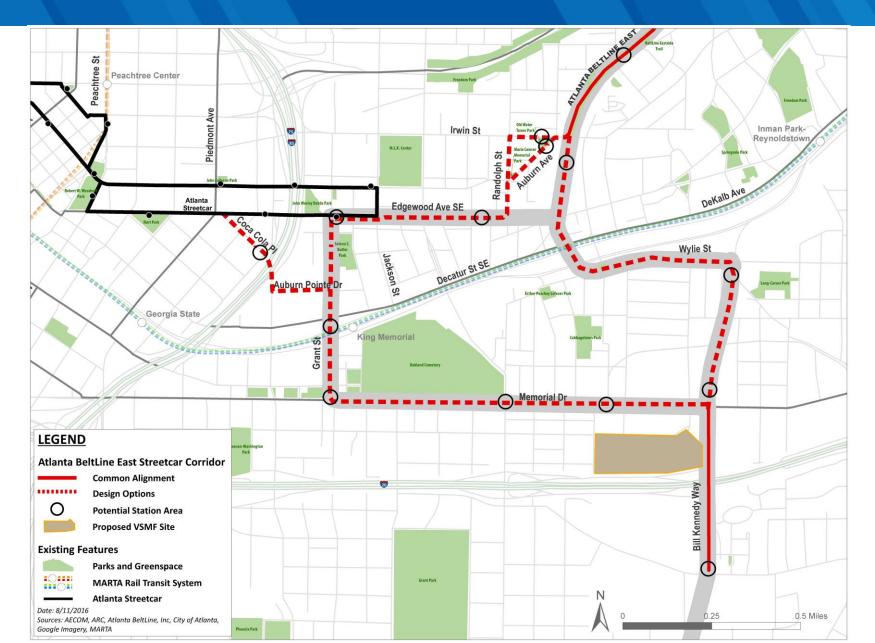




Crossing DeKalb Ave



East: Alignment Design Options



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Crossing Challenges

• MARTA Bridge

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- Active CSX Line
- DeKalb Ave





Crossing DeKalb Ave

Tunnel Solution

- Accommodates Trail and Transit (double track)
- Avoids impacts to MARTA Bridge foundations
- Avoids DeKalb Ave Crossing
- Avoids a CSX Crossing



