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THE VINE IS BRANCHING OUT!

In January 2017, C-TRAN launched The Vine, the region's first bus rapid transit system, along Vancouver's Fourth Plain corridor. The system has been a success by any measure. Within the first year of operation, The Vine delivered a 45 percent increase in ridership, an 89 percent reduction in late departures and a 12 percent reduction in scheduled travel times. It also added a host of

new transit features to Fourth Plain, including faster boarding, easier access at the platform and real-time arrival displays. And the corridor saw an influx of new housing projects totaling \$82 million, many citing The Vine as a key reason for the development.

Now, we're laying the groundwork for our next BRT corridor: Mill Plain Boulevard.



WHY MILL PLAIN?

After Fourth Plain, Mill Plain Boulevard is C-TRAN's second-busiest corridor. Route 37, which currently serves Mill Plain, carried more than 767,000 passenger trips in 2017. It's the next logical step for bus rapid transit in Clark County. While Highway 99 has also been identified as a possible BRT corridor in the future, higher transit ridership and the ability to compete for federal funding make Mill Plain the better choice right now.

THE PROCESS

The Mill Plain BRT Project is currently in Phase One of a multi-year process. In the coming months we'll gather public input and create a Locally Preferred Alternative—that is, the basic outline for how and where BRT will function along Mill Plain. Phase Two will hone the finer details in project development. Finally, Phase Three will bring construction and make Mill Plain BRT a reality.

Mill Plain BRT Alignment Options



FUNDING

C-TRAN will work with the Federal Transit Administration to ensure the Mill Plain BRT project is eligible for major grant funding to help pay for capital construction. The project may also seek additional funding sources or use available C-TRAN reserves. C-TRAN operates debt-free, and we're committed to remaining that way through this process.

Mill Plain BRT at a Glance

Length of corridor	Approximately 10 miles
Western terminus	Downtown Vancouver
Eastern terminus	164th Avenue (Fisher's Landing Transit Center) or east Mill Plain Blvd.
Possible funding sources	FTA Small Starts grant, state Regional Mobility Grant, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality grant, local C-TRAN reserves

OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

Like Fourth Plain, Mill Plain is a unique corridor with its own identity. In addition to significant transit ridership, the corridor is plagued by chronic and worsening auto congestion. C-TRAN will be working closely with residents, businesses and other stakeholders along the corridor to ensure that the project reflects the needs and character of the area it serves.

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