

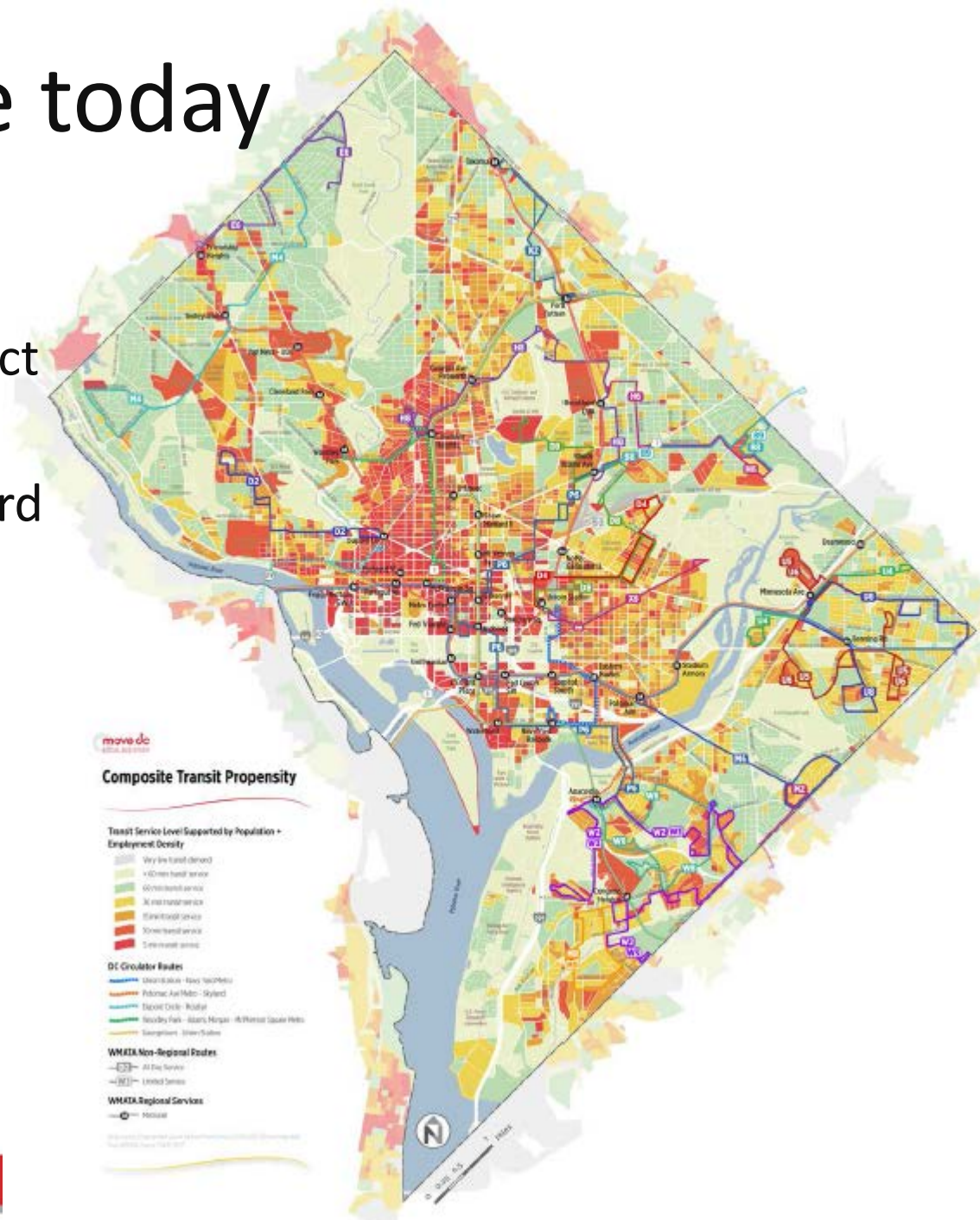
Better Buses in the District: Opportunities and Challenges



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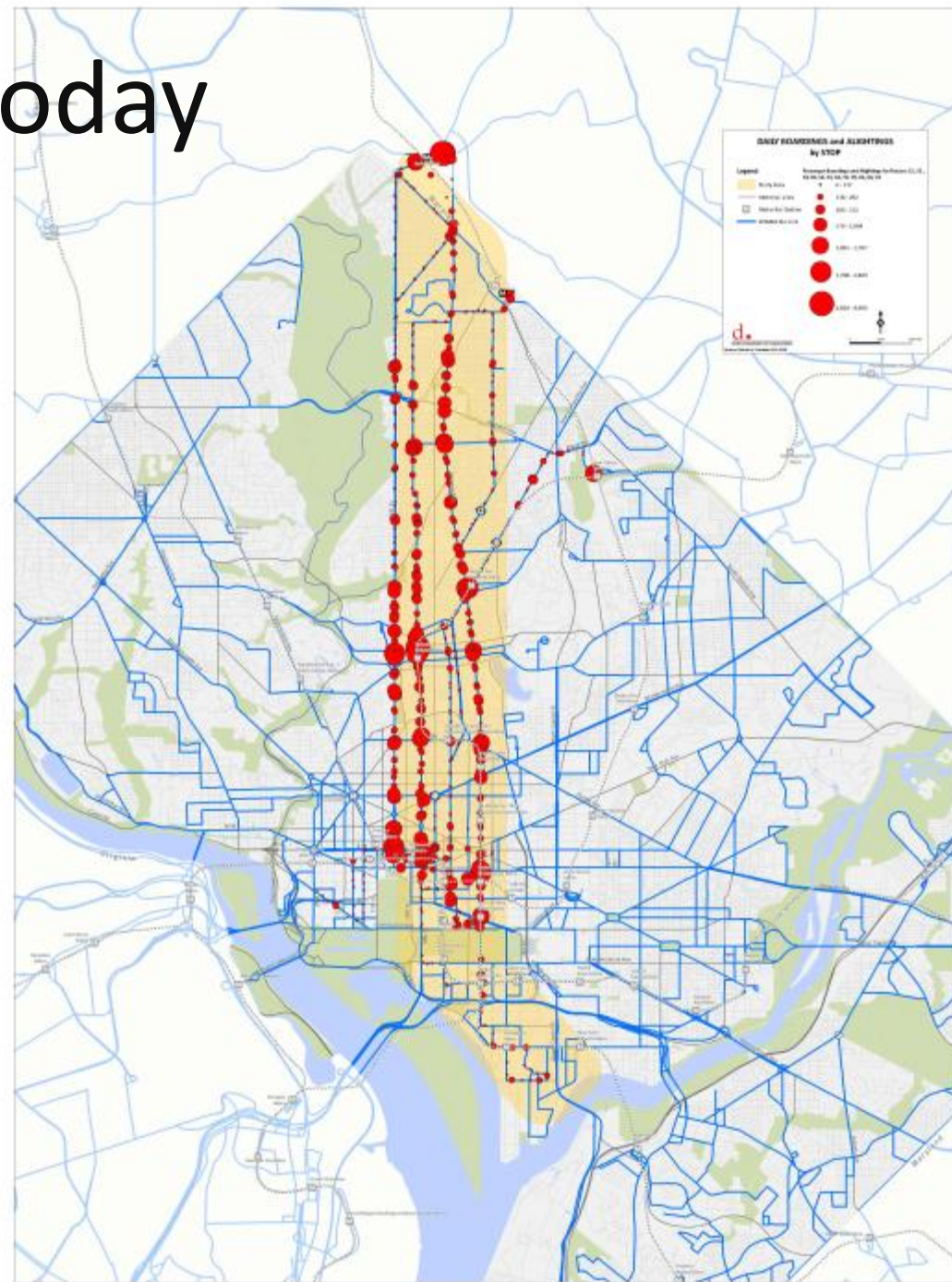
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Lack of Good Examples

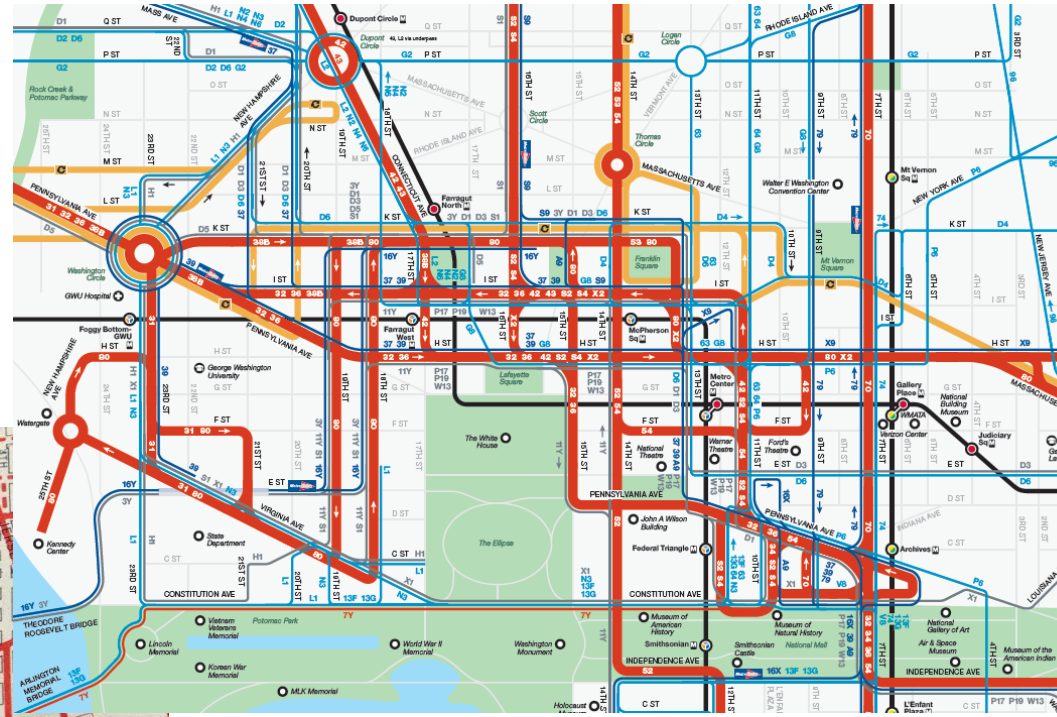
- 7th/9th Streets downtown
- Other attempts that have been over time (I-395)
- Constrained rights-of-way that limit options



Change is Hard!




1968 DC Transit System Inc. Map



Current Metrobus Map










Incremental Steps towards future

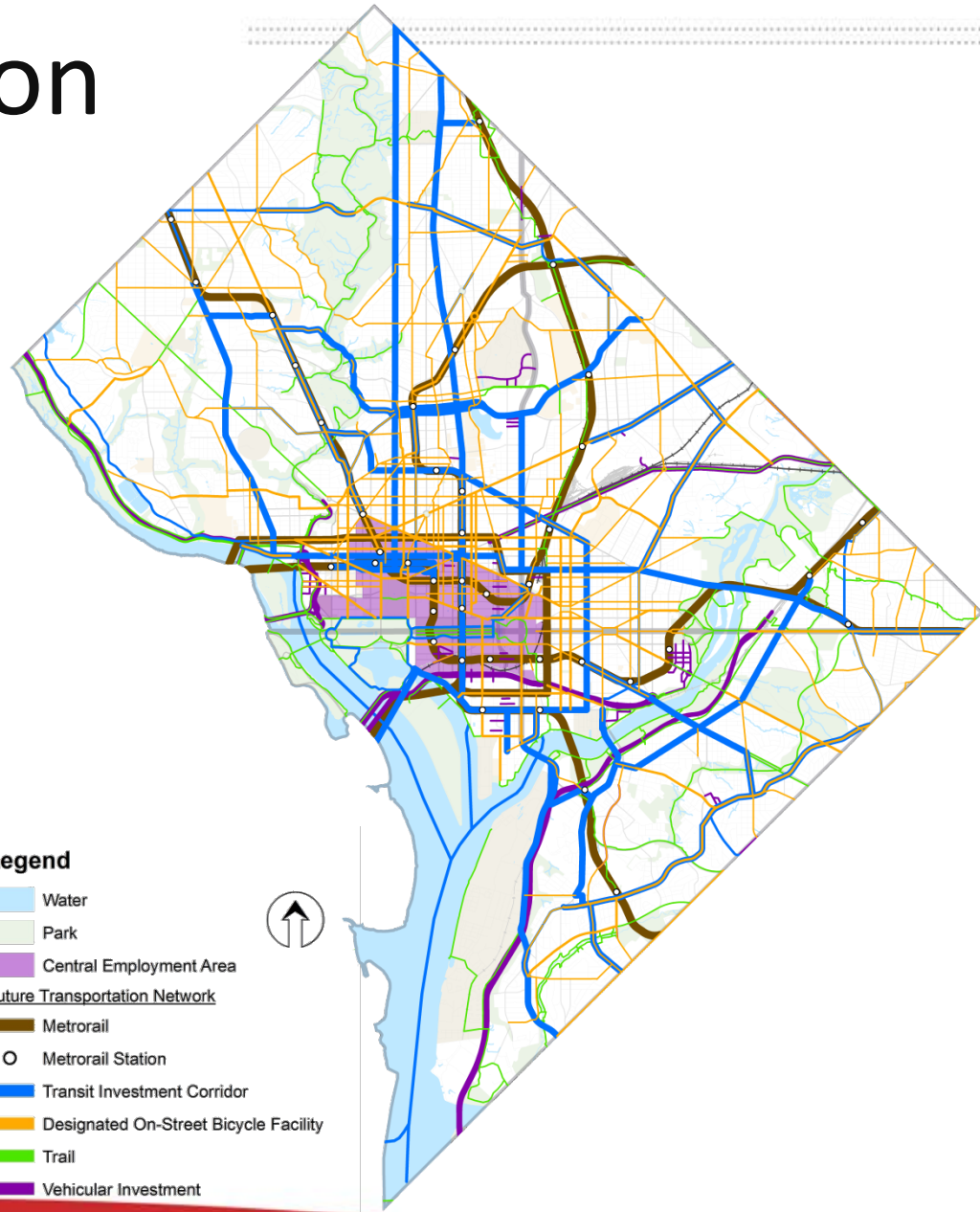
- Regional TIGER Grant
 - Georgia Avenue Bus Lanes coming soon
 - Transit Signal Priority
 - Next generation fare collection
 - Corridor-Level Planning and Engagement is needed
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Getting to a vision

- Sustainable DC
- moveDC
- DC Transit Future
- Circulator TDP

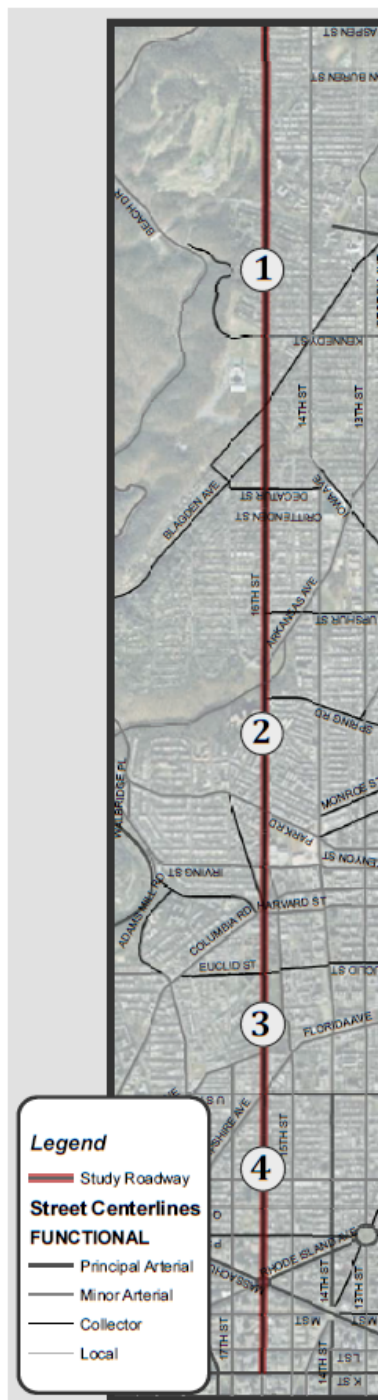
Legend

-  Water
-  Park
-  Central Employment Area
- Future Transportation Network**
-  Metrorail
-  Metrorail Station
-  Transit Investment Corridor
-  Designated On-Street Bicycle Facility
-  Trail
-  Vehicular Investment



Making Vision Reality

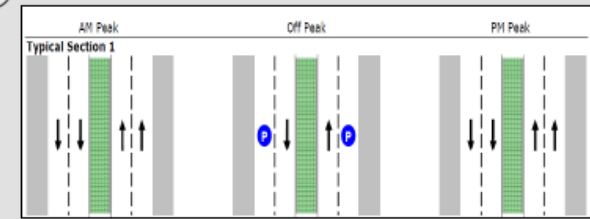
- Challenges & Tradeoffs
 - Parking/transit
 - Enforcement/flexibility
 - “bus”/“car”
- 16th Street “Action Plan”



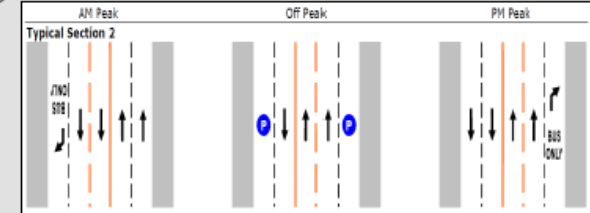
Option 2-A

Add Peak-Hour Peak Direction Transit Lanes

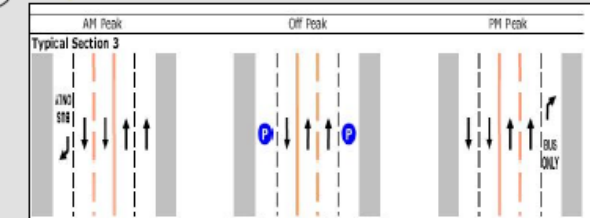
1 Portal Drive to Arkansas Avenue.



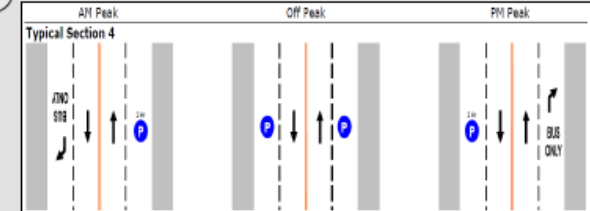
2 Arkansas Avenue to Irving Street.



3 Irving Street to U Street.



4 South of U Street.



16th Street Corridor Project
Typical Sections Options



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- Challenges & Tradeoffs
- 16th Street “Action Plan”
 - Shorter-term operational improvements
 - Longer-term capital improvements
 - Longer-term operational needs

