

REGION OF DURHAM **Long-Term Transit Strategy** NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2010

Vision

“An adaptive, safe, reliable, accessible, desirable transit system that shapes and connects Durham Region and beyond in an economically and environmentally sustainable manner.”

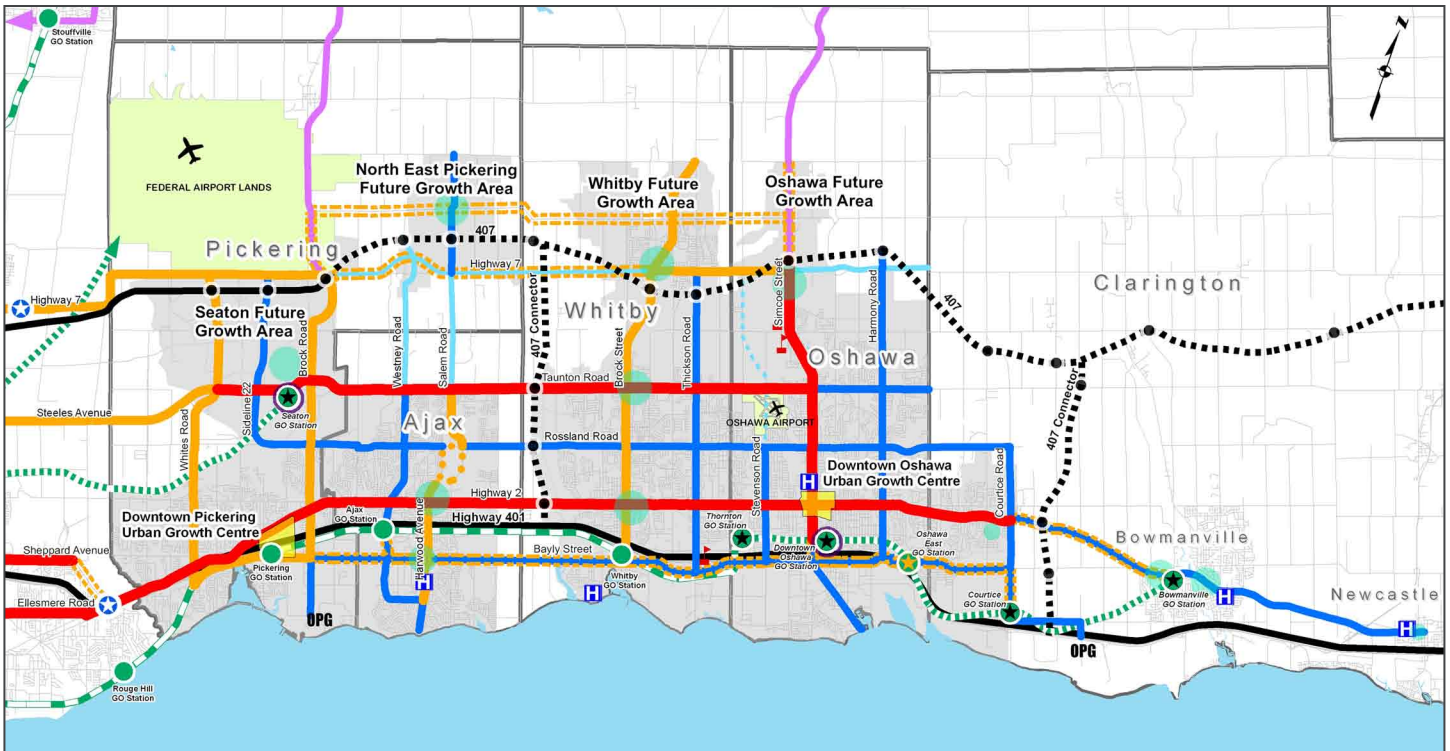
Introduction

In October 2008, Durham Region Transit initiated a Long-Term Transit Strategy to address growth, manage operations effectively and deliver better quality of service to our customers. We have completed our evaluation and are now seeking community feedback on our proposed plan for the future of transit in Durham Region.



This illustration depicts a typical streetscape of Light Rail Transit (LRT). In this case, LRT is situated in exclusive centre median lanes. There are several alignment and configuration options which will be evaluated during the Phase 3 of the Environmental Assessment Process. We are beginning to look at these issues now in order to ensure feasibility, identify key issues and raise awareness.

Rapid Transit Network: Lakeshore Communities



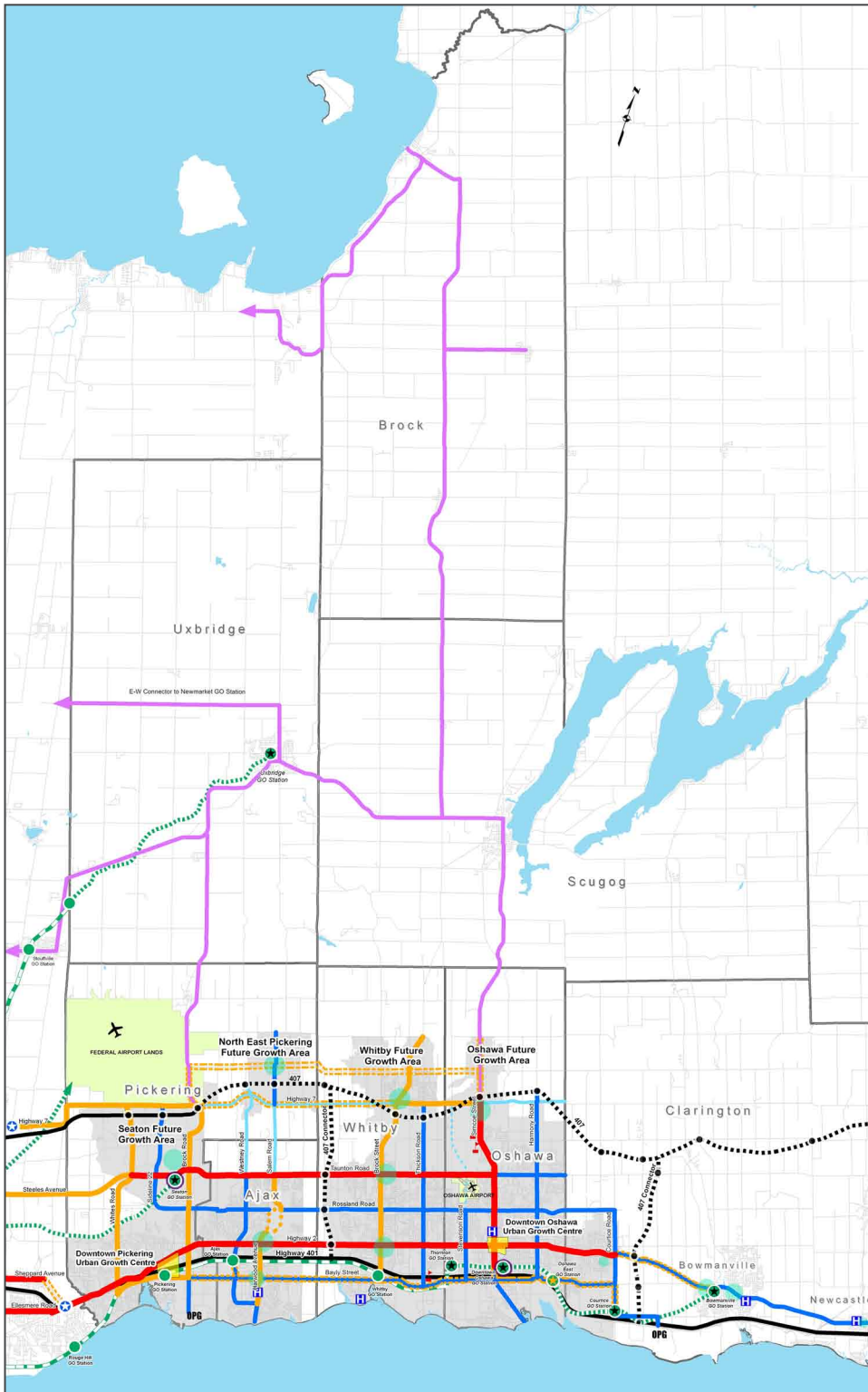
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Legend

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| Existing GO Station | Metrolinx Gateway Hub | Transit Corridor Classification | Stevenson Road Extension (Resulting from future potential airport lands development) |
| Proposed GO Station | Future Transit Terminal | Light Rail Transit (3 - 5 min peak service) | Protect for future Rapid Transit |
| Protect for Future GO Station | Proposed Highway 407 | Bus Rapid Transit (5 min peak service) | Exact alignment to be determined during corridor EA |
| 407 Transit Station | OP Regional Centre | Enhanced Conventional (Priority) Transit (10 min peak service) | Proposed GO Line |
| Hospitals | Urban Growth Centres | Primary Conventional Transit (20 min peak service) | Existing GO Line |
| Post-Secondary Institution | Future Urban Area (Updated) | Northern Durham Routes (30 - 60 min peak service) | Ontario Power Generation |

Over the last year we have received many valuable comments from our citizens/stakeholders during the public consultation activities. With your input and the study nearing completion, we have fine-tuned a Draft Rapid Transit Network. Our proposed transit plan involves 3 LRT corridors – along Highway 2, Taunton Road and Simcoe Street. A combination of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and Enhanced Conventional bus service to connect the major transportation routes. This is in addition to primary conventional and feeder buses. Also, we recommend protecting right of way for possible future rapid transit development at key locations throughout the Region (where future intensification and development is anticipated) including the Bayly/Victoria corridor, sections of Highway 7 and north of Highway 407.

Rapid Transit Network: Durham Region



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OPG Ontario Power Generation

As a result of community feedback, service to, and within the northern municipalities including service connections to Uxbridge, Beaverton, and Port Perry, as well as connections into York Region have been included as part of the LTTS.

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Get Involved! Long-Term Transit Strategy Study

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We'd like to hear from you

We welcome new members to our committees. Just let us know if you'd like to attend.

Community Advisory Committee 1

Monday January 11, 2010 / 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Oshawa Civic Auditorium, Meeting Room 3
99 Thornton Road South, Oshawa

Community Advisory Committee 2

Wednesday January 20, 2010 / 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Ajax Community Centre, Admiral Room
75 Centennial Road, Ajax

Community Advisory Committee 3

Monday January 18, 2010 / 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Scugog Community Recreation Centre, Meeting Room 2
1655 Reach Street, Port Perry

Stakeholder Advisory Committee

Friday January 22, 2010 / 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Whitby Regional Headquarters, LL - C
605 Rossland Road East, Whitby

Please drop in to any one of our public Open Houses. Project team members will be on hand to hear your comments.

Oshawa

Thursday January 21, 2010 / 2:00 - 5:00 pm
University of Ontario Institute of Technology
South Wing Hallway
200 Simcoe Street

Brooklin

Saturday January 23, 2010 / 1:00 - 4:00pm
Brooklin Public Library
Lounge
150 Winchester Road West

Cannington

Monday January 25, 2010 / 5:00 - 9:00 pm
Cannington Community Centre
Auditorium
91 Elliot Street

Ajax

Thursday January 28, 2010 / 6:00 - 9:00pm
Pickering (Village) High School
Theatre Arts Room
180 Church Street North

Pickering

Saturday January 30, 2010 / 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Petticoat Creek Community Centre
Lower Lobby
470 Kingston Road

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