

Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan

Draft Goals and Actions

New Westminster Accessibility Advisory Committee

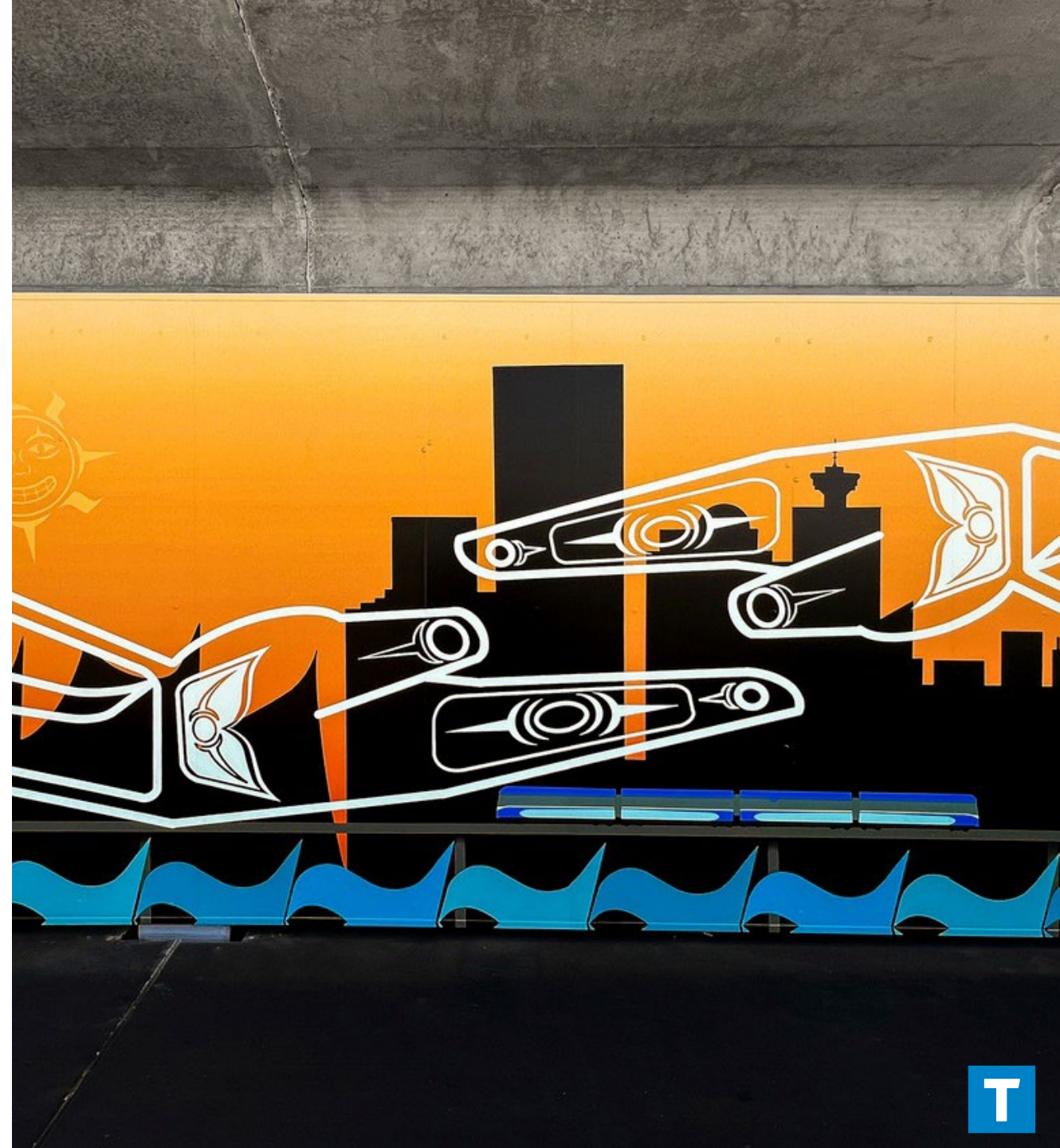
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Land Acknowledgement

TransLink respects the Indigenous Nations within Metro Vancouver and acknowledges all First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples for their continued resilience, sustainable stewardship, and as active members of the community for generations to come.

We recognize that in planning and managing the region's transportation system we have a role to play in supporting reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.



Objectives & Agenda

- 1. Provide an overview** and update on the BP ATP planning process
- 2. Share and gather feedback** on proposed key transit goals and actions

Agenda

5:30pm	BP ATP Overview
5:35pm	Proposed Transit Changes
5:40pm	Proposed Active Transportation Actions
5:45 pm	Close

BP ATP Overview



What is an Area Transport Plan (ATP)?



Geographic scale - A deeper dive into transportation issues, opportunities, and priorities at a sub-regional level.

Scope & content - Transit, cycling, walking, roads; generally focused on network-level changes.

Approach – Involves technical analysis, and engagement with internal and external interested parties and the public.

Planning horizon – Medium term covering next 1-15 years.

Timeline – Generally a two-year planning process.

What We Learned in Phase 1 - Transit

- 1 Some areas without **convenient** access to transit service or where bus routes are too **circuitous** (e.g. South Vancouver)
- 2 Many planned **major transit services** and known **major growth areas** that will require more **integrated bus service** (e.g. Sen'ákw)
- 3 Need for **safe, reliable, and accessible** transit service, reduce **overcrowding and travel times**, and extended hours of **service**





Proposed Transit Network Changes



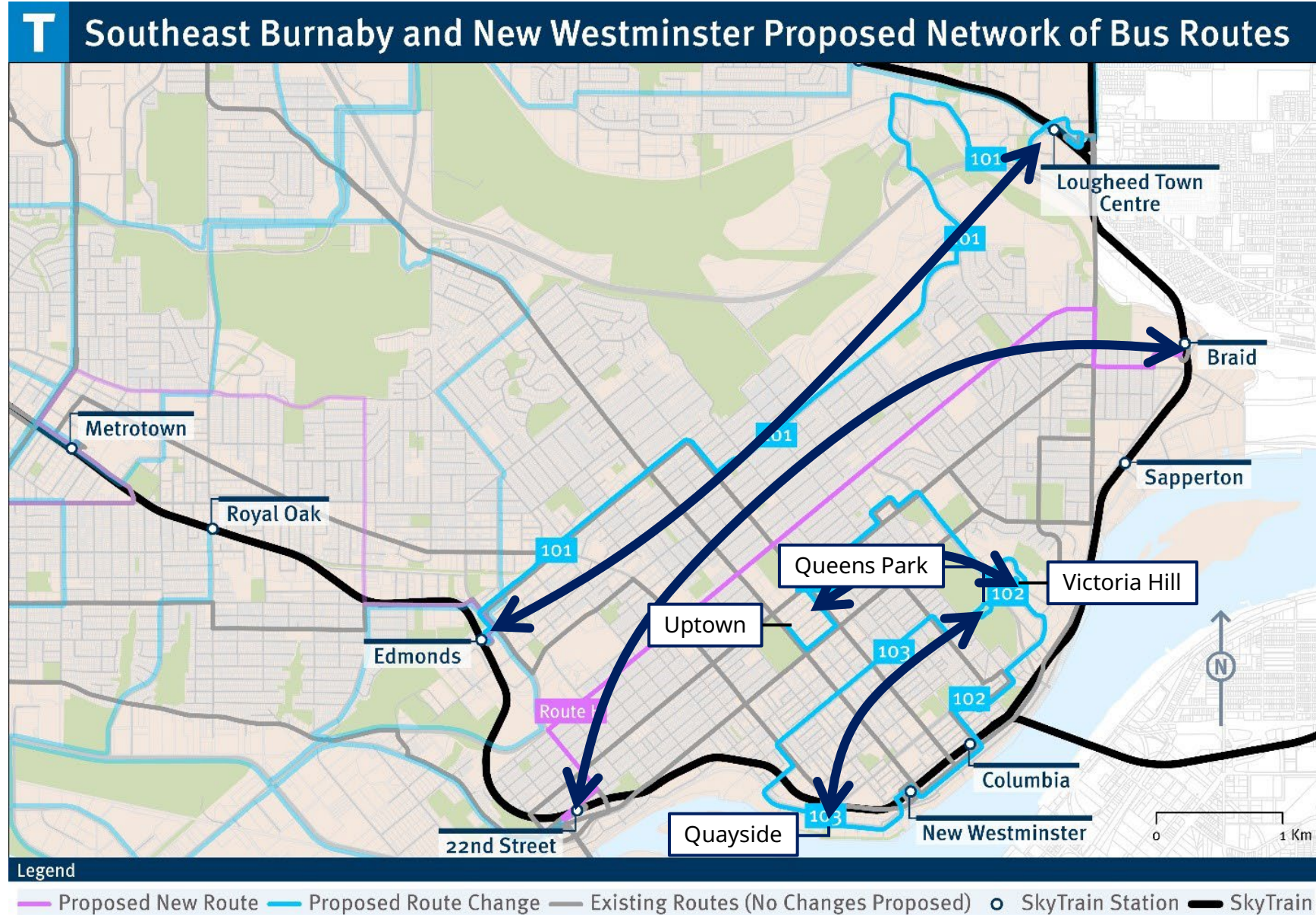
Packages of Network Changes

- A: Prepare the local bus network for opening day of the Broadway Subway in Vancouver**
- B: Additional future route changes to integrate the local bus network with the Broadway Subway**
- C: Create a simple and easier to understand network in Central Burnaby**
- D: Improve and simplify the local bus connections in Southeast Burnaby and New Westminster**
- E: Provide more transit connections in South Vancouver and South Burnaby**
- F: Improve connections to Stanley Park**
- G: Integrate the local bus network with planned future growth areas**
- H: Improve service reliability between Downtown Vancouver and Phibbs Exchange in North Vancouver**
- I: Improve service and reliability on routes that travel to, from, and through Downtown Vancouver**
- J: Make longer trips faster with new express routes**
- K: Integrate the local bus network with the Burnaby Mountain Gondola**
- L: Integrate the local bus network with the UBC Extension of the Millennium Line**
- M: Proposed future study areas**



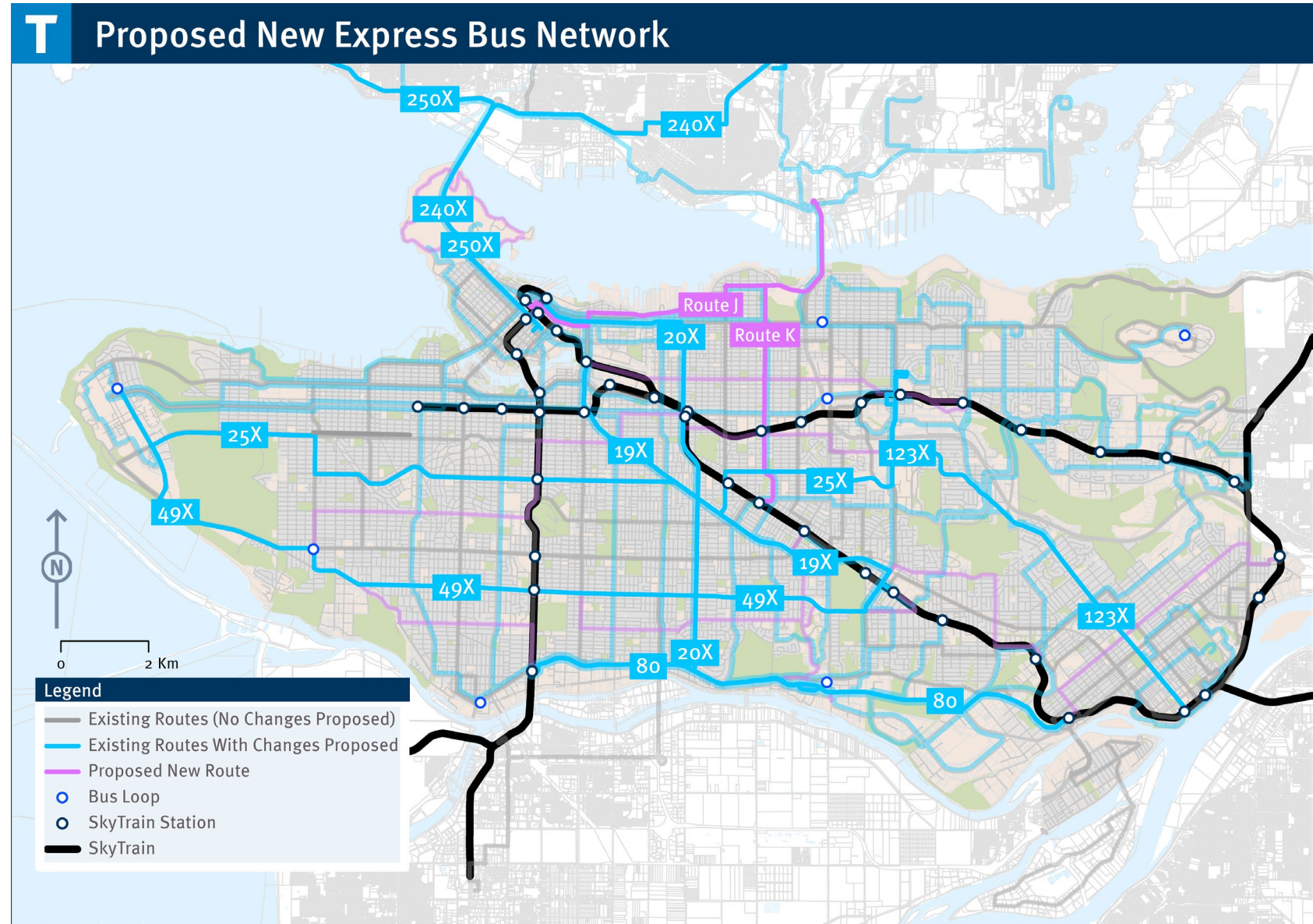
Package D: Southeast Burnaby and New Westminster

- **Routes 101:** Change western end of route to Edmonds Station with east-west service across 16th Ave and Edmonds St
- **Route 102:** Extend eastern end of route from Victoria Hill to Uptown via McBride Blvd and Eighth St
- **Route 103:** Extend western end of route from Quayside to Queens Park via 4th Ave
- **NEW H:** 10th Ave



Package J: New Express Routes

- **Same path** as local buses
- **Adjustments** to local buses
- Some may follow a **new routing**
- Express buses would **work with** their local routes



Draft Customer Experience Actions



Goal 3: Provide transit service that is readily available, comfortable, reliable, accessible, and safe for everyone

Action 3.1: Increase frequency or introduce service to reduce overcrowding, advance equity goals, and increase convenience

Action 3.2: Extend hours of operation for buses

Action 3.3: Have buses travel faster and be more reliable

Action 3.4: Make transit easier to use

Action 3.5: Make sure transit is safe, accessible, and comfortable

Action 3.6: Make transit more inclusive for everyone



Action 3.4: Make transit easier to use

Focus: Improving wayfinding, making real-time information more accessible, translating important information into other languages

Action 3.5: Make sure transit is safe, accessible and comfortable

Focus: Improving accessibility, providing new amenities at stations and exchanges, training for frontline staff (e.g., Indigenous cultural safety), improving general cleanliness on the system

Action 3.6: Make transit more inclusive for everyone

Focus: Prioritizing providing more transit services to communities that have fewer transportation options, supporting improved transportation options for First Nations communities, and looking for ways to have more public washrooms on transit system

Proposed Active Transportation Actions



What We Learned in Phase 1 Active Transportation

1

Need for safety and accessibility improvements around transit stations (e.g. wider sidewalks that are in a state of good repair, safer pedestrian crossing, more traffic-calming)

2

Need for more complete urban bikeway network and improved connections between urban centres, along with greater access to bike parking and shared mobility options



Walking / Rolling Goal:

Help make walking & rolling safer and more accessible, especially within 800m of the Major Transit Network

Draft Action:

Work with local governments to complete the sidewalks within 800m of SkyTrain stations and bus loops

- This will help improve accessibility to stations and exchanges
- It will include identifying potential ways to improve maintaining walk/rolling infrastructure

Draft Cycling Goal: Advance a safer, more complete regional cycling network

T Burrard Peninsula Major Bikeway Network Priority Gaps



Draft Action:

Work with local governments to create a connected cycling network that is comfortable for most people. We would start with the priority gaps identified through TransLink's *Major Bikeway Network (MBN) and Urban Centre Bikeways Action Plan* (marked in pink), with the remainder of the Major Bikeway Network (marked in grey) on the map to the right.

What we heard from NW AAC (Oct 25, 2023)

New West has many steep hills which pose mobility challenges

- Extensions of routes 102 & 103 will improve general mobility between Downtown and Uptown New West.
- New route H will provide a new connection between Braid Station and 22nd Station along 10th Ave where there is currently no service, improving general access to transit in Uptown New West.

More public washrooms are needed on the transit network

- The BP ATP will identify additional public washrooms as a key priority for transit users and support ongoing efforts to provide new washrooms at SkyTrain stations and major bus exchanges.

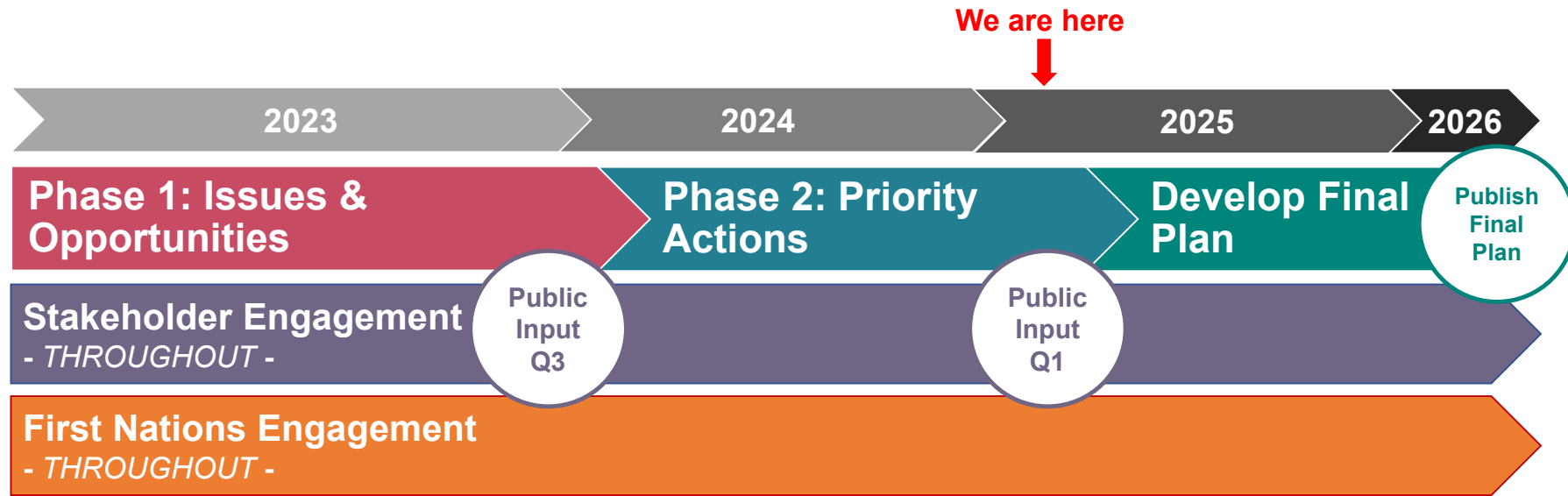
Ongoing maintenance of accessibility infrastructure is important

- The BP ATP includes several actions aimed at ensuring that transit is safe and accessible. This includes prioritizing ongoing maintenance that maintains access (e.g., snow clearance at stations and exchanges, repairing sidewalks).

More wayfinding materials should be translated into different languages

- The BP ATP includes a draft action specific to exploring translating more wayfinding materials into different languages (e.g., network maps, station and exchange signage)
- Beyond the ATP, TransLink is working on several initiatives regarding translation and making transit information more accessible. For example, the survey that we have open right now is available in Spanish, Punjabi, Mandarin, and Cantonese (this is a first for TransLink).

Next Steps



Please share our online survey with your members and network! www.translink.ca/bpatpsurvey

Survey is live now and open until Mar. 9th

If there's interest, we'd appreciate your support in reaching out to more community members



Thank You

