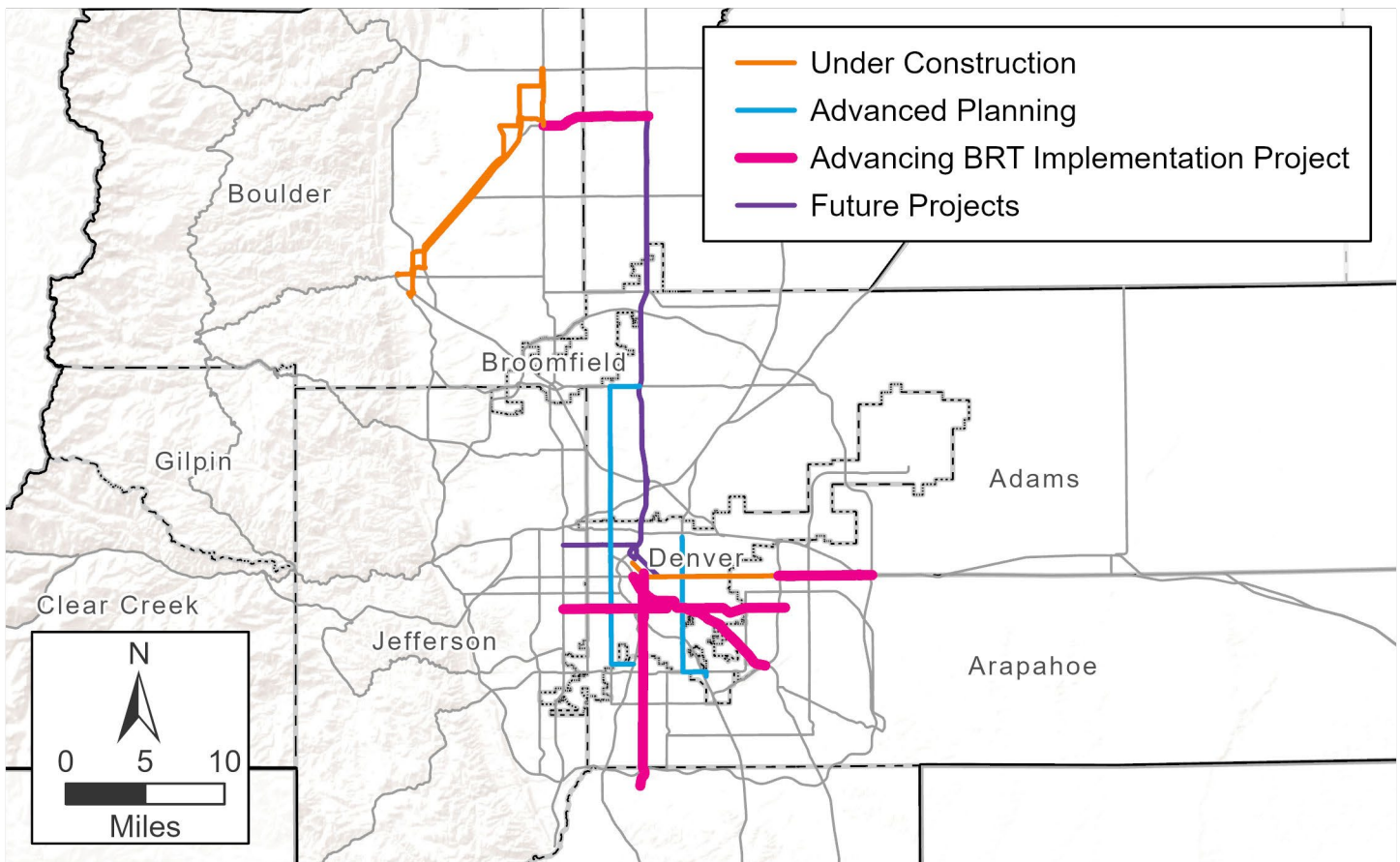


Advancing bus rapid transit implementation fact sheet

Map 1: Advancing BRT Implementation projects



The Advancing BRT Implementation project is a collaborative effort led by the Denver Regional Council of Governments to develop a roadmap for how the region can implement the next five bus rapid transit, commonly known as BRT, corridors identified in the [2050 Regional Transportation Plan: Colfax BRT Next](#) (from Interstate 225 to E-470), Alameda Avenue, [Speer/Leetsdale/Parker](#), Broadway/Lincoln, and

the extension of Colorado State Highway 119 (from Longmont to I-25).

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Background

The [2050 Regional Transportation Plan](#) identifies a network of 11 BRT corridors to be completed by 2050. The region has committed to implementing these corridors to help meet its mobility, safety and other goals, as well as to help meet federal air quality conformity and state transportation greenhouse gas emission reduction requirements.

In 2023, DRCOG and its partner agencies formed the Regional Bus Rapid Transit Partnership to cooperatively plan, develop and implement multiple bus rapid transit corridors within the Denver region. This partnership includes DRCOG, the Regional Transportation District, the Colorado Department of Transportation, the City and County of Denver, the City of Aurora, the City of Littleton, the City of Longmont, and the City of Boulder.

Project overview

The Advancing BRT Implementation project is an 18-month project to develop a roadmap to implement the next five BRT corridors by establishing context-sensitive design guidelines, identifying funding and financing strategies, and addressing regulatory barriers to streamline project delivery.

Key deliverables will include:



BRT Design Guidelines to support a uniform user experience across the network while allowing for flexibility for various corridor contexts.



Updated **capital, operating and maintenance costs estimates** for the five BRT corridors to help agencies prioritize investments and compete for different funding opportunities.



A menu of all possible **funding and financing strategies**, including local, state and federal sources, as well as potential innovative partnerships with the private sector.



Build an understanding of **legal and regulatory** limitations and opportunities related to BRT project funding, financing and delivery.



Create corridor-specific **implementation roadmaps** to prioritize, fund and finance the next five BRT corridors.



Develop **reusable tools** to support future BRT planning work in the region.

Get involved

For more information about the project, visit the [Advancing BRT Implementation webpage](#).

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