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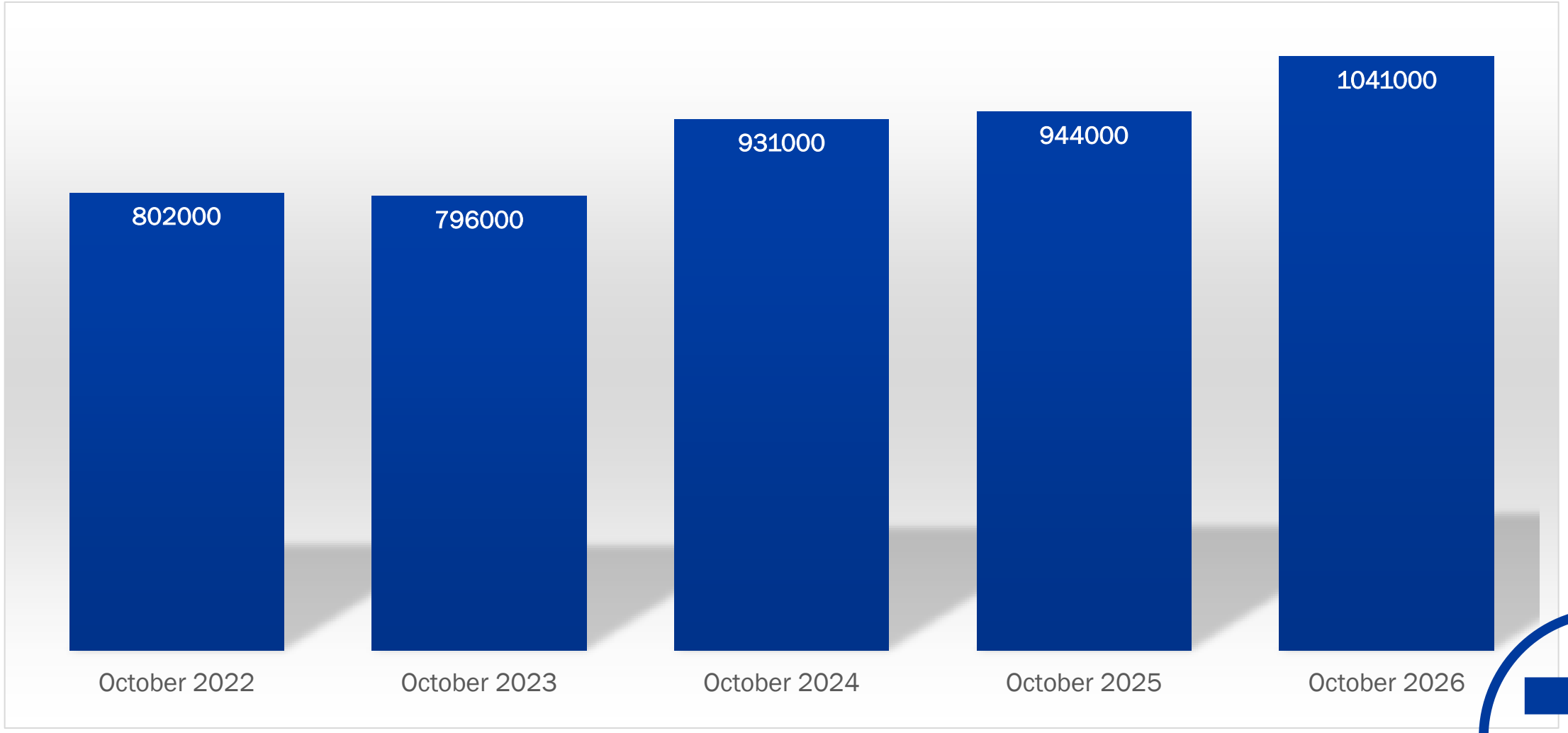
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Phil Eng, Interim Transportation Secretary & MBTA General Manager and CEO

November 19, 2026

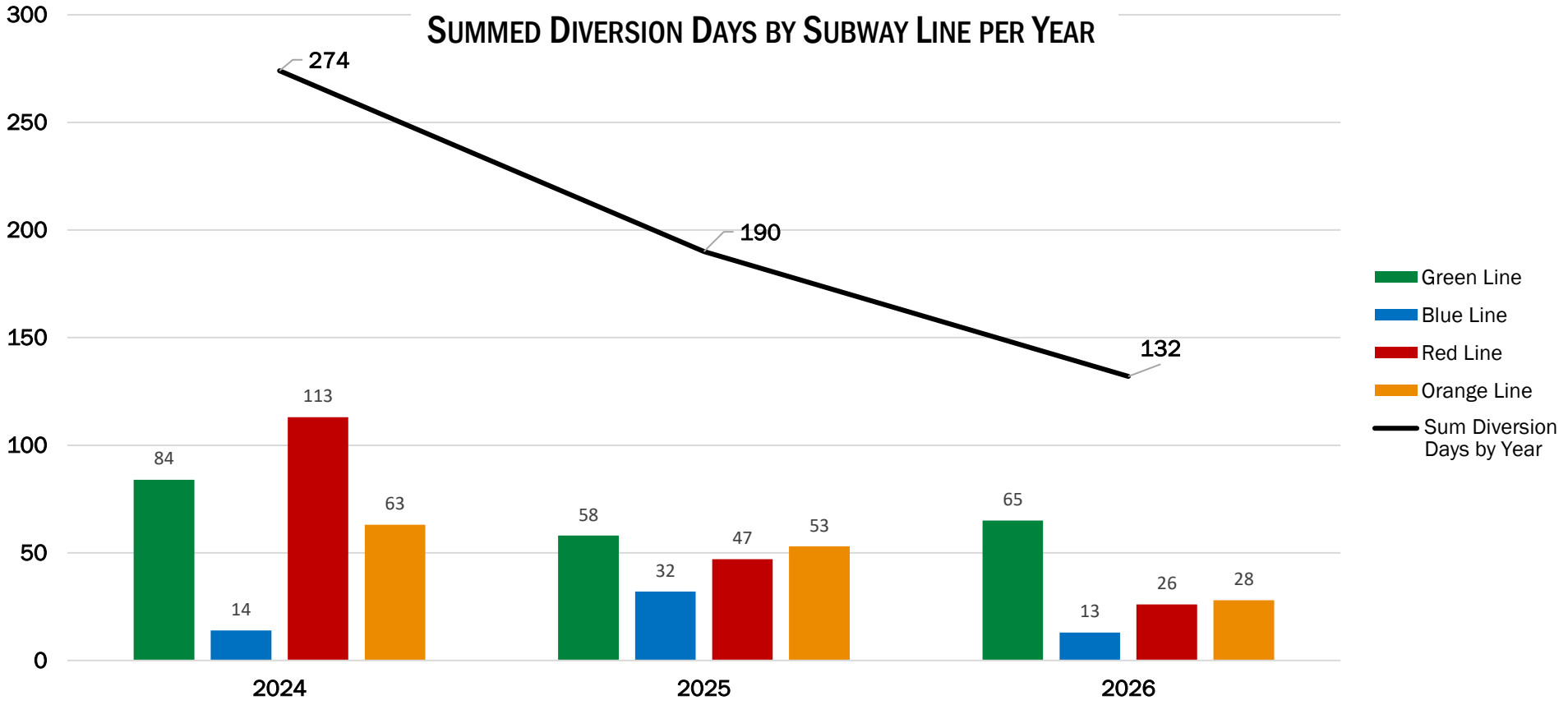
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MBTA Systems Renewal & Modernization







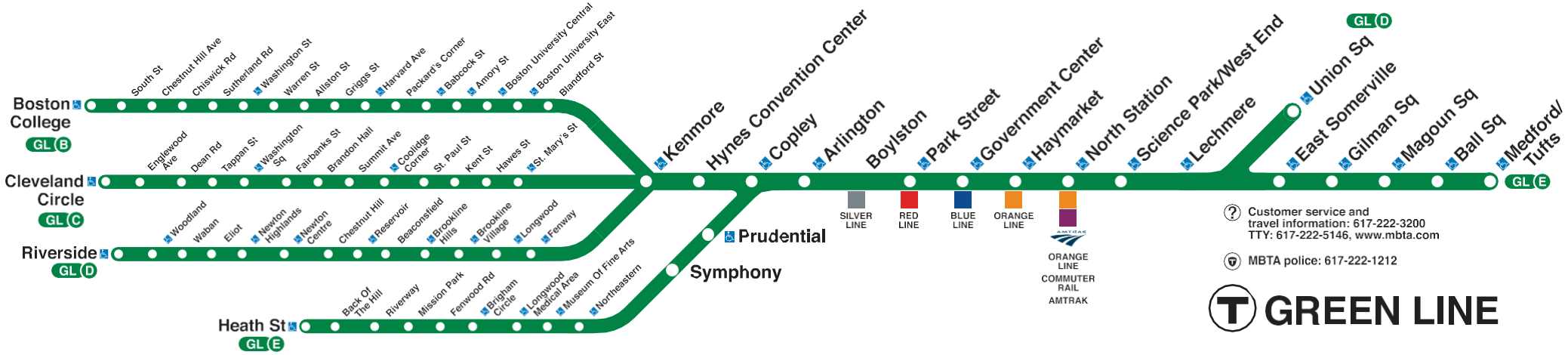






Green Line | 2026 Schedule

START 04.22.26
END 12.07.26
65 DAYS



Start Date	End Date	Total Days	Limits	Project Scope	APRIL '26	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
4/22/2026	5/1/2026	9	Boston College to Kenmore	GLTPS installation									
5/6/2026	5/17/2026	12	Cleveland Circle to Kenmore	GLTPS installation and station accessibility improvements									
5/30/2026	6/5/2026	7	Heath Street to Copley	GLTPS installation									
8/1/2026	8/2/2026	2	North Station to Blandford, Kenmore, and Heath	Central tunnel signal upgrades									
8/8/2026	8/16/2026	9	North Station to Blandford, Cleveland Circle, Kenmore, and Heath	Central tunnel signal upgrades and C-branch ADA station improvements									
9/19/2026	9/20/2026	2	North Station to Blandford, Kenmore, and Heath	Central tunnel signal upgrades									
9/26/2026	10/4/2026	9	North Station to Blandford, Kenmore, and Heath	Central tunnel signal upgrades									
10/31/2026	11/1/2026	2	North Station to Blandford, Kenmore, and Heath	Central tunnel signal upgrades									
11/7/2026	11/15/2026	9	North Station to Blandford, Cleveland Circle, Kenmore, and Heath	Central tunnel signal upgrades and C-branch ADA station improvements									
12/4/2026	12/7/2026	4	North Station to Blandford, St. Mary's, Brookline Hills, and Heath St	Type 10 vehicle clearance upgrades and central tunnel signal upgrades									

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Green Line | 2026 Summary

START 04.22.26
END 12.07.26
65 DAYS

Track
Full depth track **reconstruction** at Park Street including the ADA ramp and crossing and **switch upgrades** for the Type 10 vehicles, **special trackwork**

Power
Replacing catenary wire throughout central tunnel

Signals
Upgrading 129 signal-system components, 90 track circuits, 72 miles of signal cables, **4 miles of fiber-optic communications infrastructure**

Stations
Accessibility improvements at 10 Stations and 3 grade crossings

Structures
Removal of **130-year-old wooden trough** for a safer more reliable ride

BENEFITS

- ✓ **Train protection system equipment installed** to **provide warnings** for train-on-train collisions to improve safety
- ✓ **Upgrading the GL signal system** from 25 Hz to 100 Hz from analog system to digital and micro-processor-based architecture
- ✓ **Accessibility improvements** at grade crossings and stations

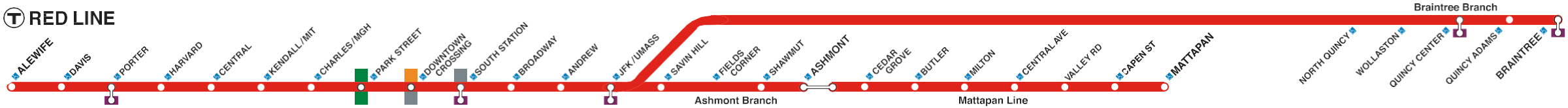


Green Line | **Improved Accessibility**



Red Line | 2026 Schedule

START 02.21.26
END 11.22.26
26 DAYS



Start Date	End Date	Total Days	Limits	General Scope	FEB '26	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
2/21/2026	2/22/2026	2	Broadway to Ashmont	Infrastructure work around Ashmont + testing, Fiber Optic Installation, track work over Gallivan Bridge										
5/2/2026	5/4/2026	3	Broadway to Quincy Center	Testing for Columbia jct.										
5/14/2026	5/16/2026	2	Broadway to Ashmont	Tamping of Clayton Curve to remove speed restriction, Signals testing, Codman yard										
5/16/2026	5/18/2026	3	Broadway to Ashmont	Testing for Columbia jct										
5/29/2026	5/31/2026	3	Broadway to Ashmont + Quincy Center	Testing and commissioning of Columbia Jct										
7/21/2026	7/30/2026	10	Alewife to Park Street	APM track work, rack relocation at Central										
11/20/2026	11/22/2026	3	Broadway to North Quincy	Signals infrastructure work for Columbia Junction phase 2B. Switch repair work at JFK										



Red Line | 2026 Summary

START 02.21.26
END 11.22.26
26 DAYS

Track
951 feet of full depth track replacement, 3,600+ feet of rail replacement, 300+ ties, 24 floating slabs, and 5,255+ feet of tamping, special trackwork

Power
Critical upgrades to Codman Yard facility **power substation**

Signals
Completed testing and commissioning of **Columbia Junction**

Stations
Repaired station ramps for **accessibility**, Alewife headhouse plaza renovations, concrete and **stairway repairs** at 5 Stations

Structures
Performed bridge, retaining wall, and tunnel inspections

BENEFITS

- Removed speed restriction on Ashmont
- **Strengthened reliability with the Red Line's new digital signal system** by modernizing the train control infrastructure and enhancing the overall rider experience long-term through more reliable service
- Continued **State of Good Repair** improvements
- Improved **critical communication upgrades**
- **Speed increase** between North Quincy and JFK/UMass



Orange Line | 2026 Schedule

START 01.10.26
END 09.14.26
28 DAYS



Start Date	End Date	Total Days	Limits	Project Scope	JAN '26	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT
1/10/2026	1/11/2026	2	Wellington to Back Bay	FMI work at Community college and Sullivan Sq., Tunnel Inspections										
2/14/2026	2/16/2026	3	Forest Hills to Jackson	Testing at Forest Hills and Jackson, signal infrastructure work at Forest Hills										
2/28/2026	3/6/2026	7	Back Bay to Forest Hills	Testing and cutover of Jackson Square and Forest Hills										
8/20/2026	8/30/2026	11	Oak Grove to Back Bay	APM track work, Rack relocation for OL signals										
9/10/2026	9/14/2026	5	Back Bay to Forest Hills	Ruggles Station Improvements & OL Signals										

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Orange Line | 2026 Summary

START 01.10.26
END 09.14.26
30 DAYS

Track
9,100+ feet of rail; **25,000 feet of tamping**, and 1,200+ ties replaced

Signals
Commissioning of Jackson Square & Forest Hills for the **mainline signals upgrade project**

Stations
Accessibility improvements at Ruggles Station and Jackson Square

Structures
Tunnel and bridge **inspections**

BENEFITS

- Increased **speeds to 55 MPH between Assembly Station and North Station in Both Directions**
- **Improved reliability** with signal system upgrades
- Continued **State of Good Repair** improvements

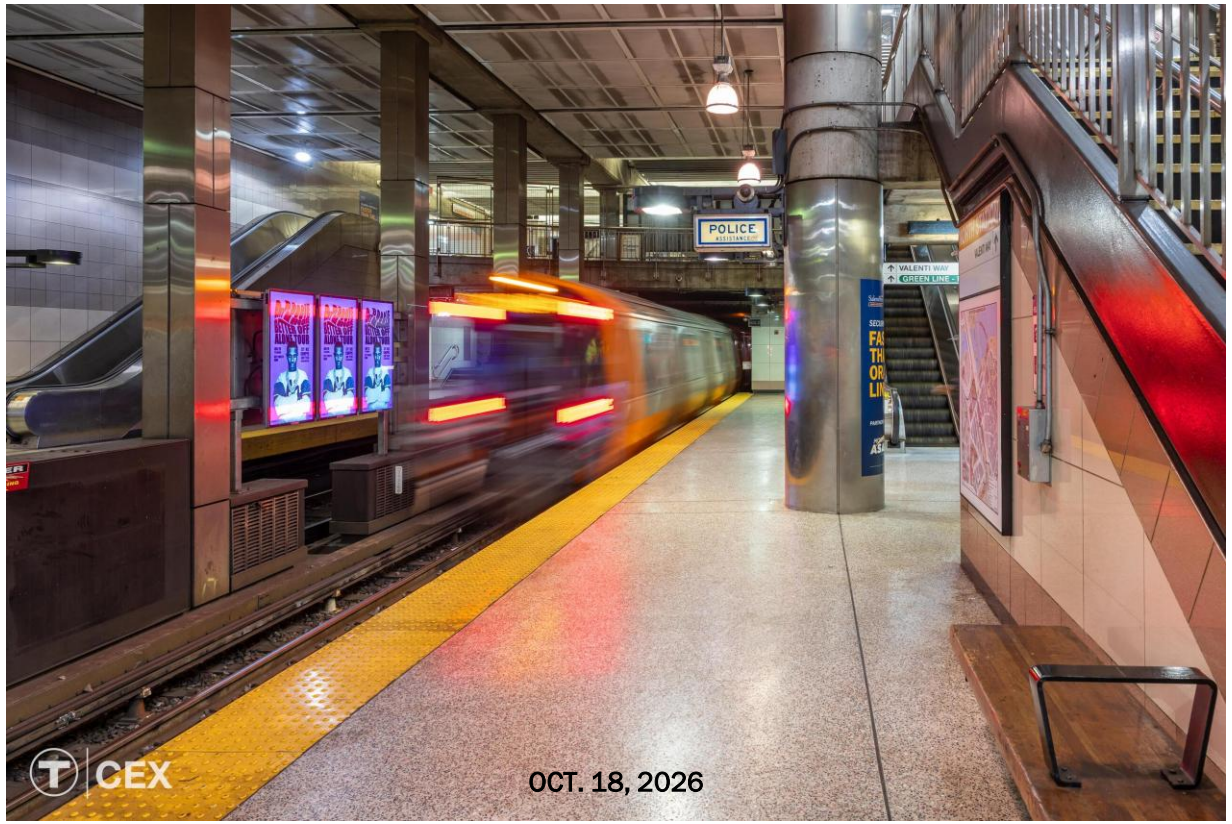




Higher Speeds for Faster Trips

ORANGE LINE *Mainline signals upgrades, accessibility improvements, track work improve reliability and better service.*

Orange Line trains reach speeds of 55 mph north of North Station because of **investments made to improve tracks & infrastructure**.



RED LINE *New signal systems, communications and power upgrades, tunnel structural work improve state of good repair and service.*

Red Line trains speed increase means riders experience **faster trips between Braintree and JFK/UMass in both directions**.



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Noticeable Improved Service **Earns Trust**

Immortan Joe Mazzulla
@normal_jake_

My opinion on MBTA shutdowns is they did actually fix the orange line so they have earned a lot of credit with me lately

3:12 PM · Nov 17, 2026 · **1,711** Views

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Relevant

Immortan Joe Mazzulla @normal_jake_ · 2h
You have earned your way into some benefit of the doubt now don't waste it!

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Kurr Kurr @RosebudKane25 · 2h
The T is 10x better now than it was before Eng

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Immortan Joe Mazzulla @normal_jake_ · 2h
Yep. It's annoying and maybe we can argue about the dates they choose but I think they have earned trust. It's clear improvement

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mars @mar1narasauce · 1h
It's sooooo fast now

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Immortan Joe Mazzulla @normal_jake_ · 1h
Its so good! I really am impressed everytime I am back.

1 · 80

James @_jamhol · 51m
The worst part about the shutdowns is that they are actually completely worth it and good. Very upsetting that this is close to the best possible situation!

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A320neo 🚂☘️🛫🏁 @A320ne0 · 17m
Not only is it now by far the best T line, I think it's one of the best subway lines in the country. Fast, reliable, very frequent, new trains, good station placement and spacing, decent operating hours for anywhere outside NYC/Chicago.

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Blue Line | 2026 Schedule

START 01.24.26
END 12.20.26
13 DAYS



Start Date	End Date	Total Days	Limits	General Scope	JAN '26	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1/24/2026	1/26/2026	2	Bowdoin to Airport	Hi-rail tunnel inspection of the Blue Line from Bowdoin to Airport. Bucket trucks and ladders will be the primary access method												
5/9/2026	5/10/2026	2	Bowdoin to Airport	MBTA Comms to replace fiber between Aquarium and Maverick EB												
12/12/2026	12/20/2026	9	Bowdoin to Orient Heights	Track SOGR												

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Blue Line | 2026 Summary

START 01.24.26
END 12.20.26
13 DAYS

Track
400+ feet of full depth, **8000+ feet of rail**, 900+ ties, 12,000+ feet of tamping

Power
DC Cables and 3rd rail taps replaced, tunnel lighting replaced

Signals/ Communications
Replaced **critical fiber optic line between Aquarium and Maverick**

Drainage
Pressure testing on **drainage pipes, pump room repairs**

BENEFITS

- ✓ Continued **State of Good Repair improvements**
- ✓ **Resiliency improvements** by replacing the temporary fiber optic cable with a permanent one
- ✓ **Improved critical communications** with systemwide radio installations
- ✓ General **station maintenance**



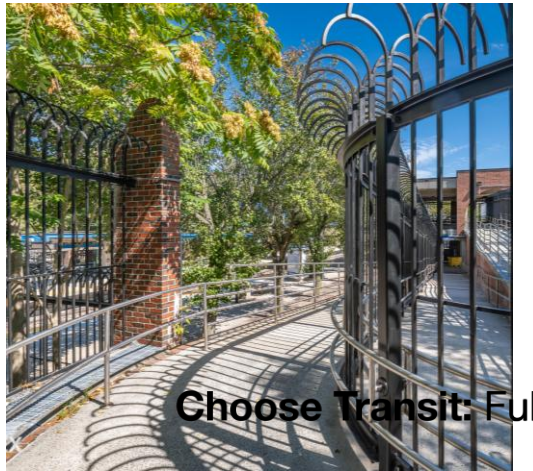
Blue Line | 2026 Station Brightening





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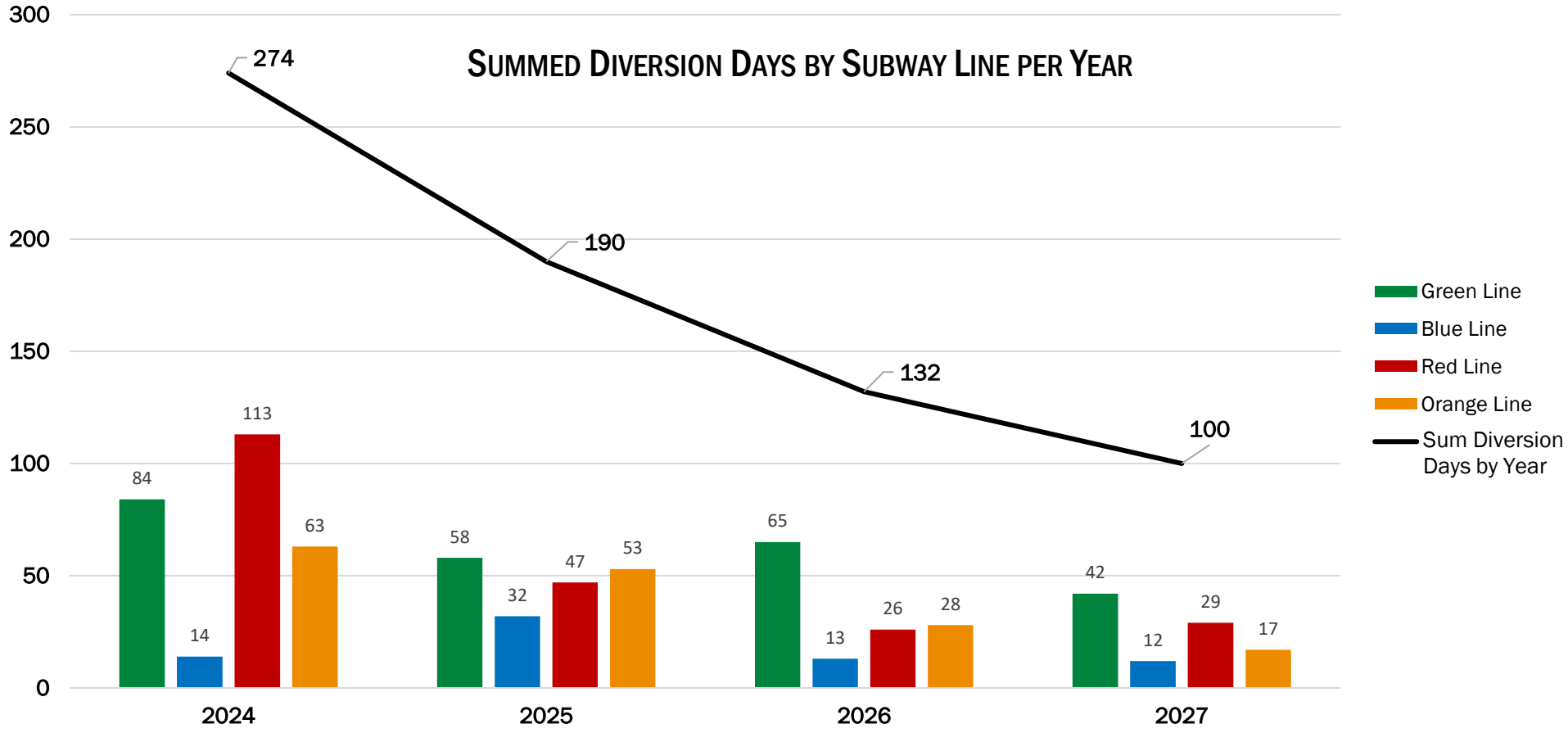






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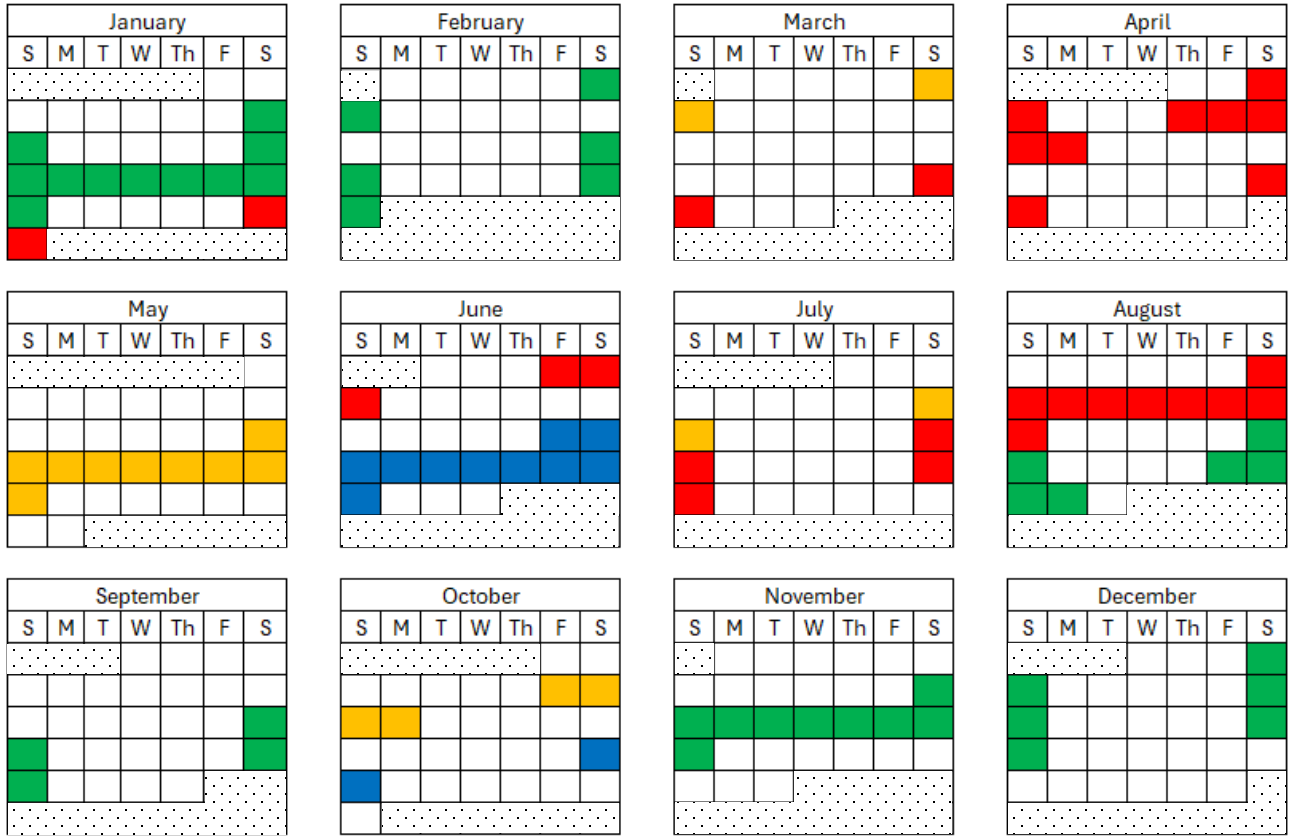




Proposed 2027 Construction Calendar

100 DAYS

Dates	Line	Limits	Project
Jan 9-10	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Central Tunnel Upgrades
Jan 16-24	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Central Tunnel Upgrades
Jan 30-31	Red Line	Alewife to Kendall/MIT	Tunnel Inspections
Feb 6-7	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Central Tunnel Upgrades
Feb 20-21	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Central Tunnel Upgrades
Feb 27-28	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Central Tunnel Upgrades
Mar 6-7	Orange Line	Back Bay to Forest Hills	Ruggles Station & Tunnel Inspections
Mar 27-28	Mattapan	Ashmont to Mattapan	Track Work
Apr 3-4	Mattapan	Ashmont to Mattapan	Track Work
April 8 -12	Red Line	JFK/UMASS - Quincy Center	Further Signal Enhancements
April 24-25	Red Line	Broadway to North Quincy and JFK*	Further Signal Enhancements
May 15-23	Orange Line	North Station to Ruggles	Annual Programmed Maintenance
June 4-6	Red Line	Harvard to Kendall/MIT	Central Station Improvements
June 18-27	Blue Line	Bowdoin to Airport	Annual Programmed Maintenance
July 10-11	Orange Line	North Station to Back Bay	Systemwide Radio
July 17-18	Red Line	Kendall/MIT to JFK/UMass	Systemwide Radio and Tunnel Inspections
July 24-25	Red Line	Kendall/MIT to JFK/UMass	Systemwide Radio and Tunnel Inspections
August 7-15	Red Line	JFK/UMass to Braintree	Annual Programmed Maintenance
August 21-22	Green Line (D)	Reservoir to Riverside	Hammond St Bridge Steel Repairs
August 27-30	Green Line (D)	Reservoir to Riverside	Hammond St Bridge Steel Repairs
September 18-19	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Tunnel Inspections
September 25-26	Green Line	N. Station to Babckock, Kenmore & Heath	Tunnel Inspections
October 8-11	Orange Line	North Station to Back Bay	Downtown Crossing Accessibility Upgrades
October 23-24	Blue Line	Bowdoin to Airport	Systemwide Radio
November 13-21	Green Line (D & E)	Gov. Center to E. Somerville/Union Square	Annual Programmed Maintenance
November 13-14**	Green Line (E)	East Somerville to Medford/Tufts	Broadway Utility Bridge Removal
December 4-5	Green Line (B)	Babcock St to Boston College	B-Branch ADA Improvements
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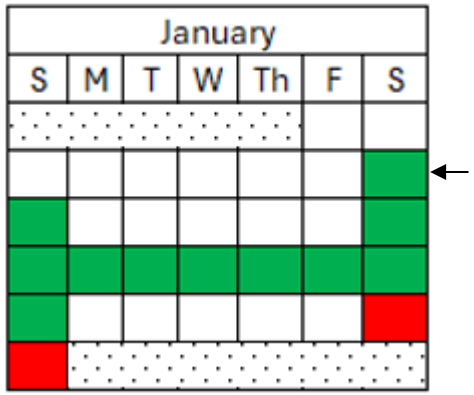
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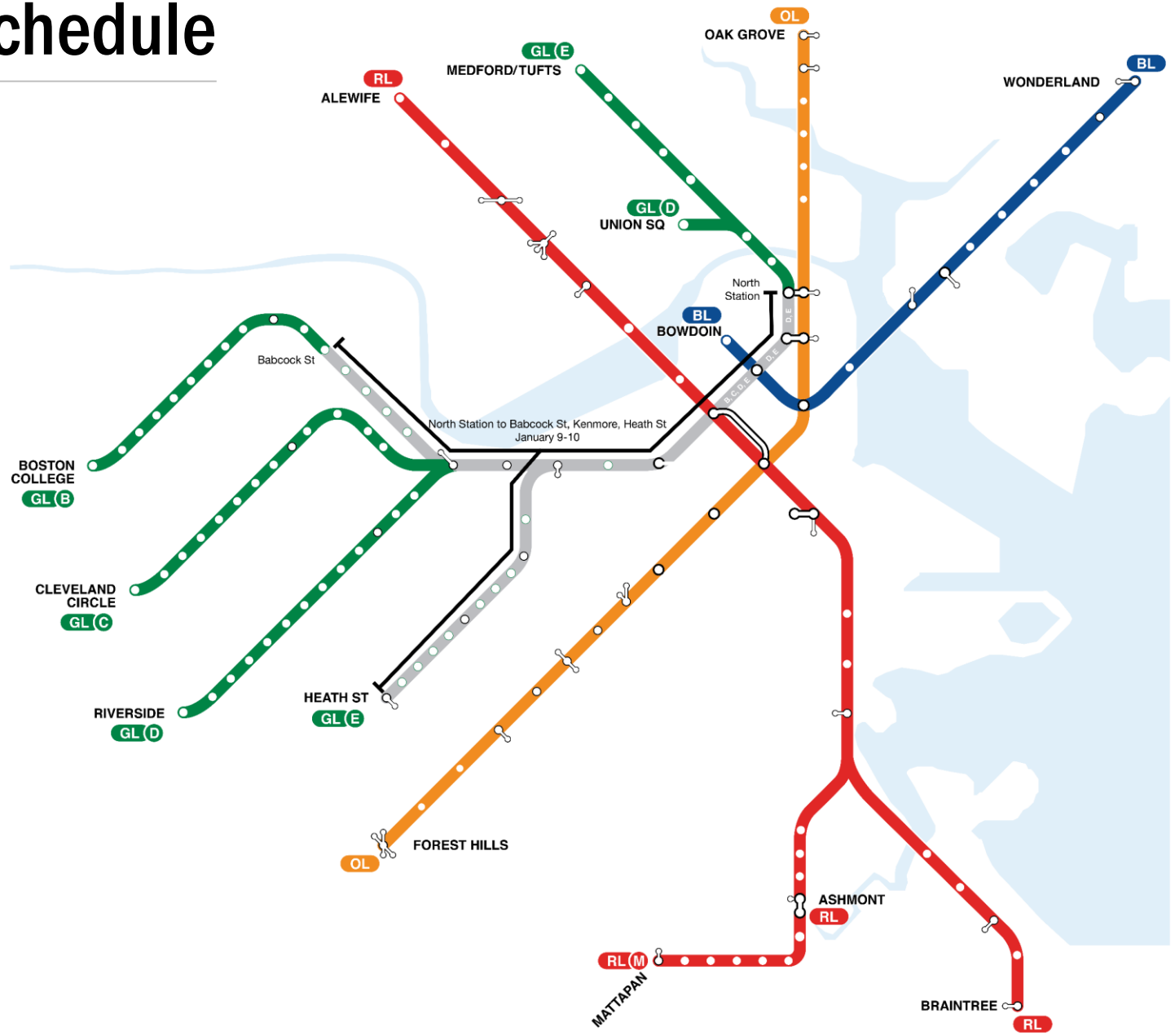
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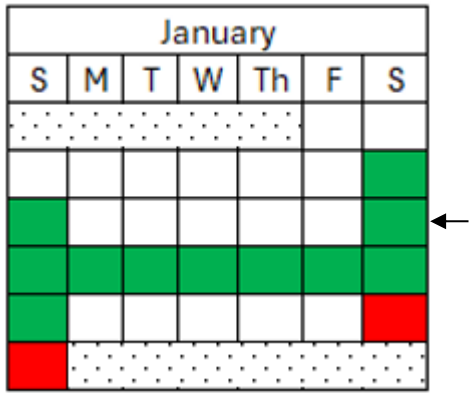
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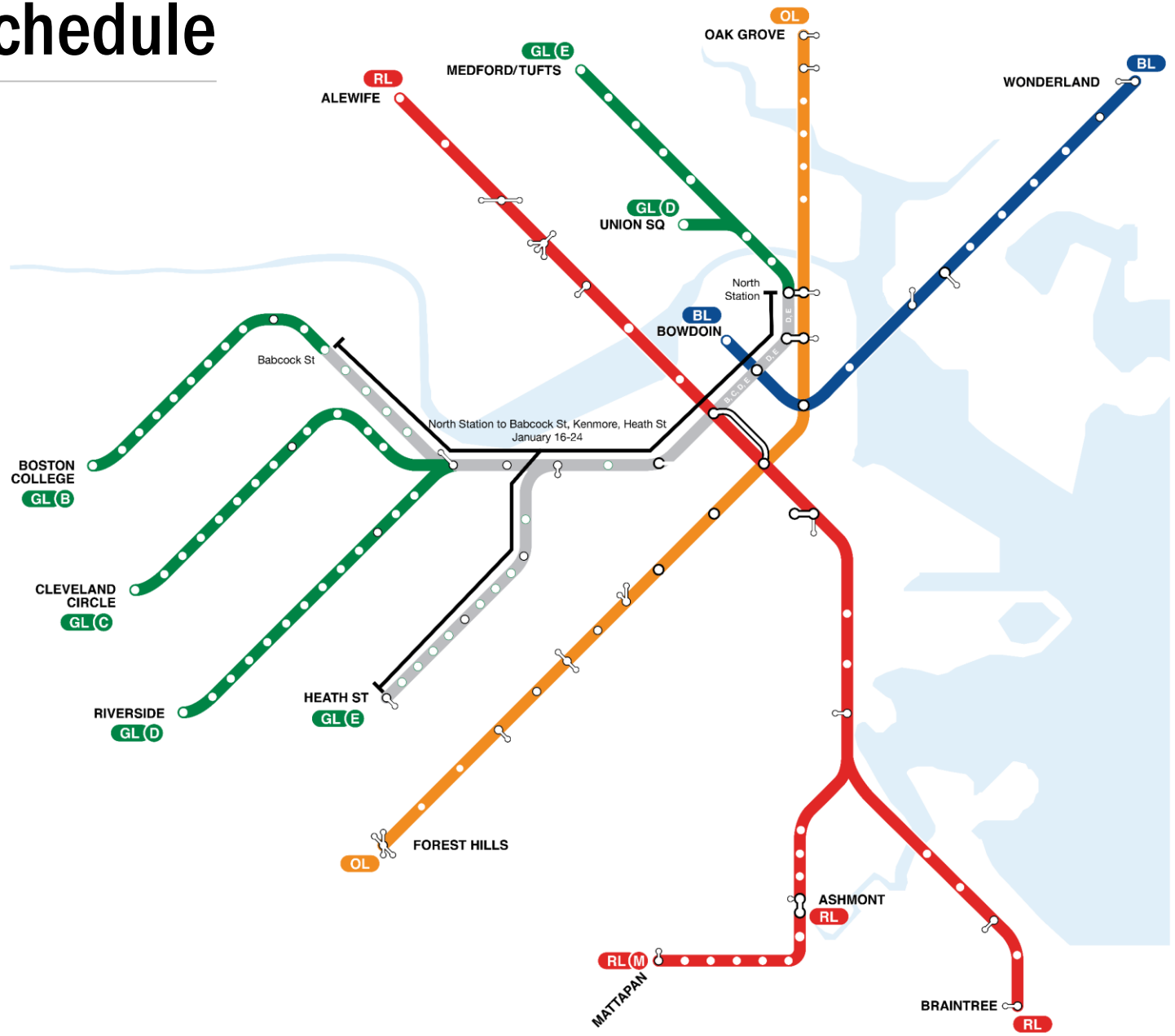




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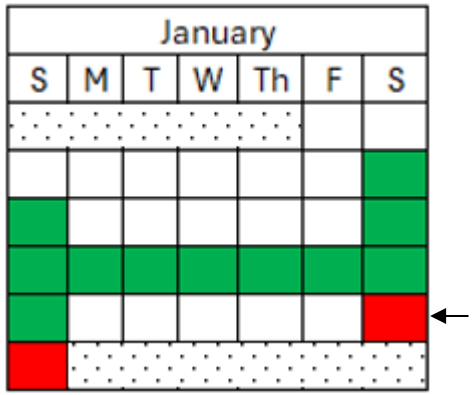
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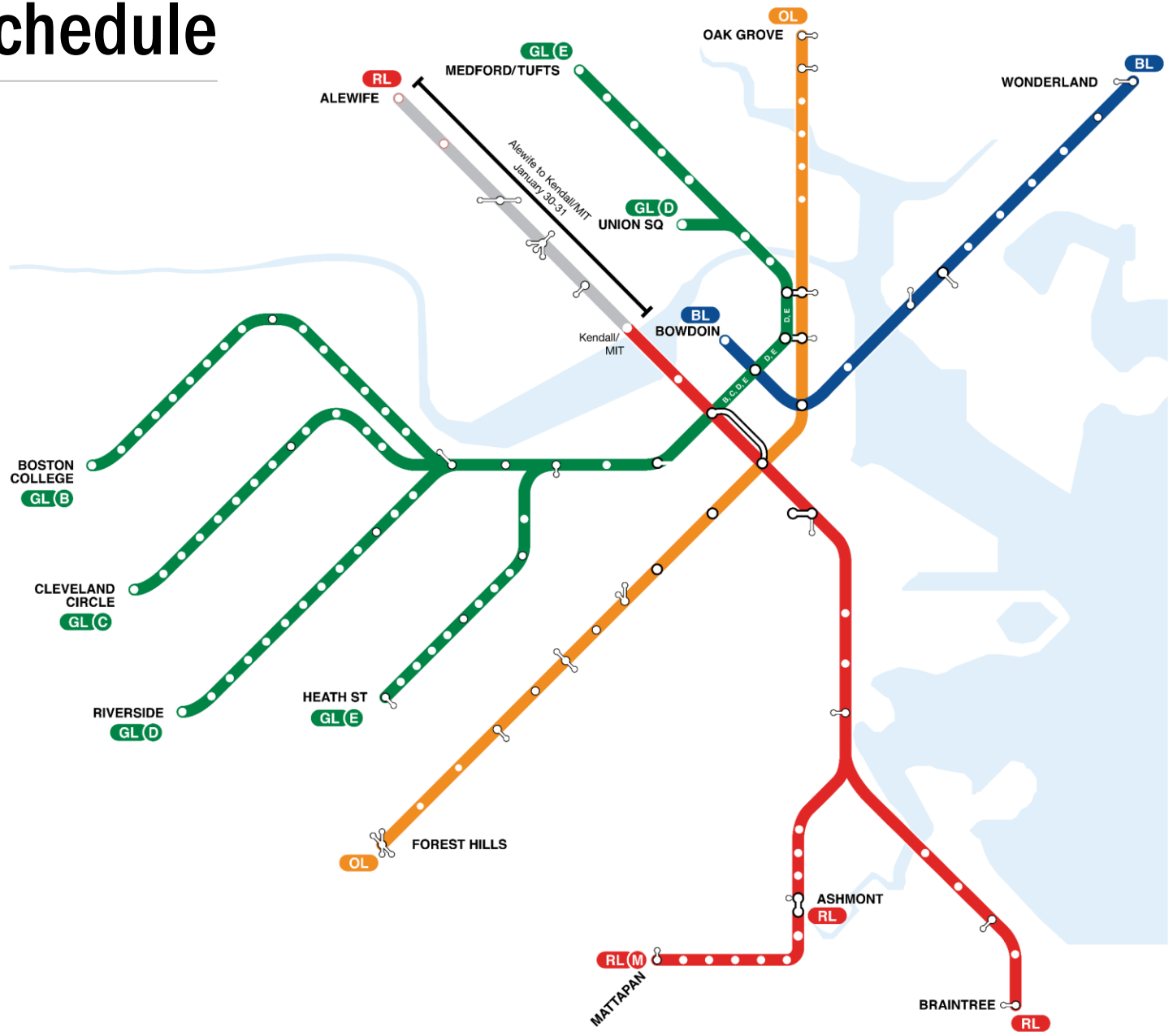




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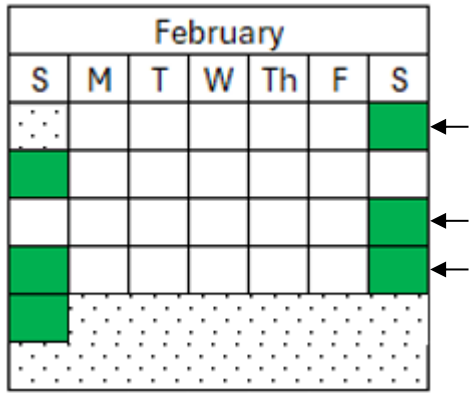
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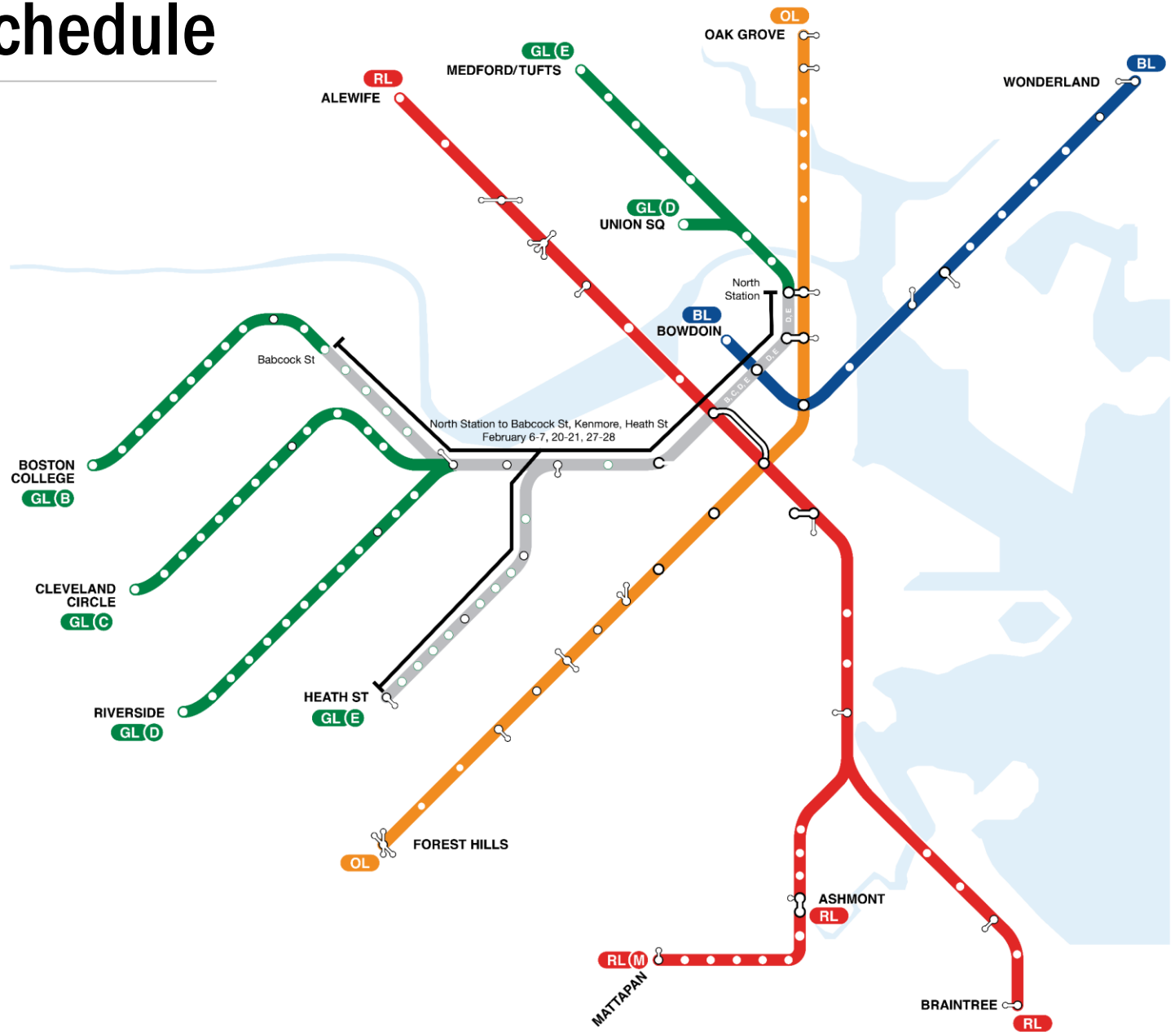




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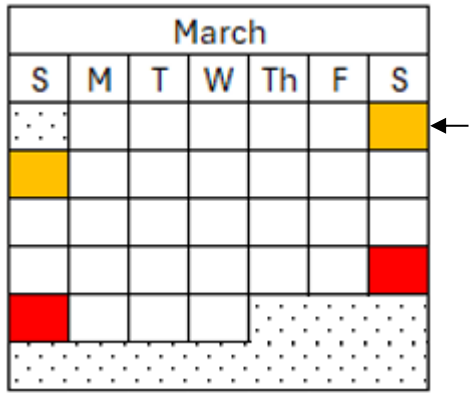
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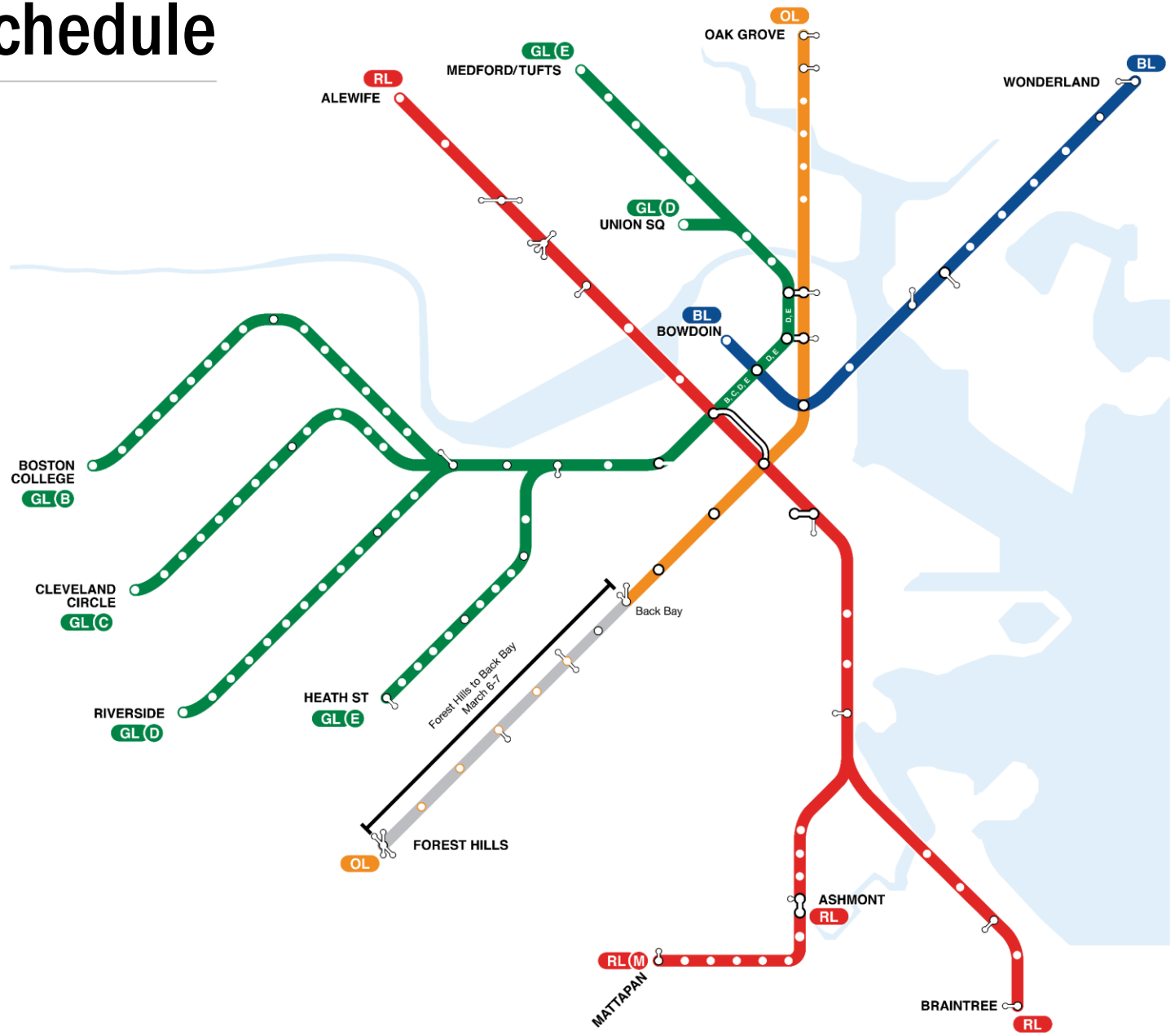




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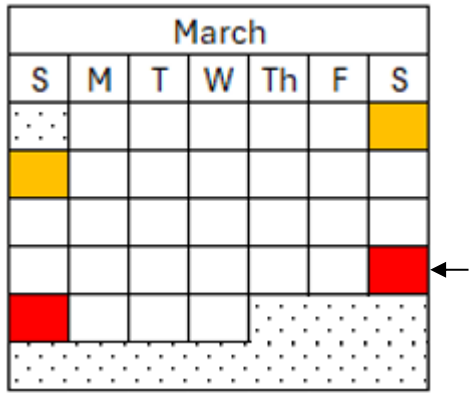
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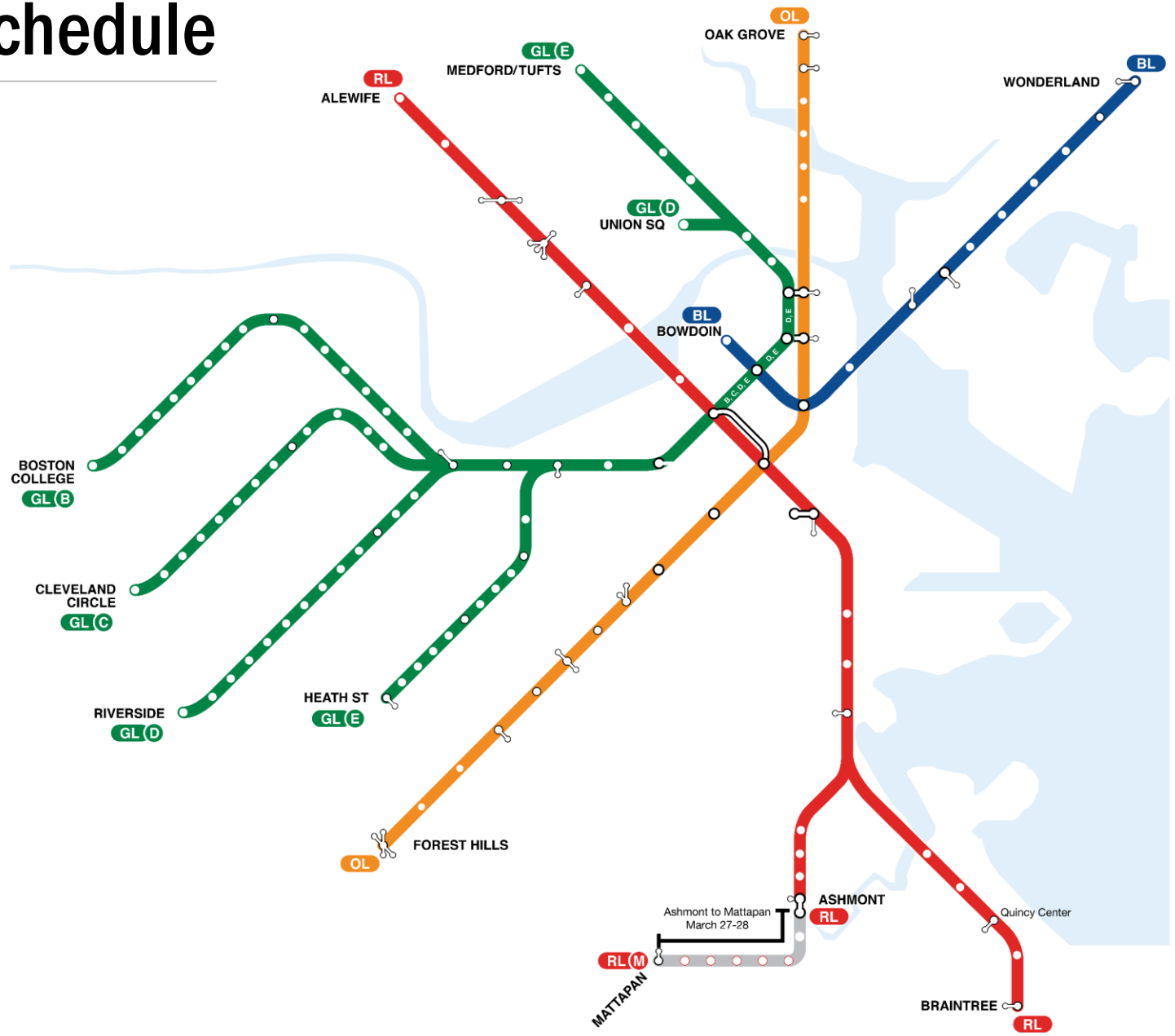




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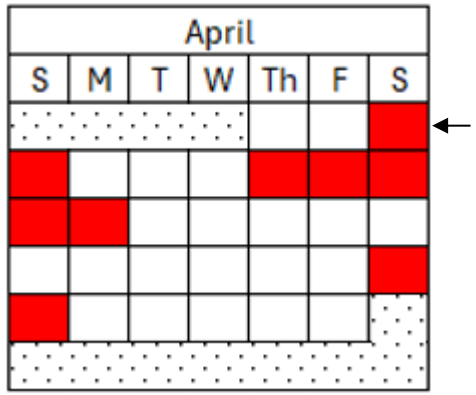
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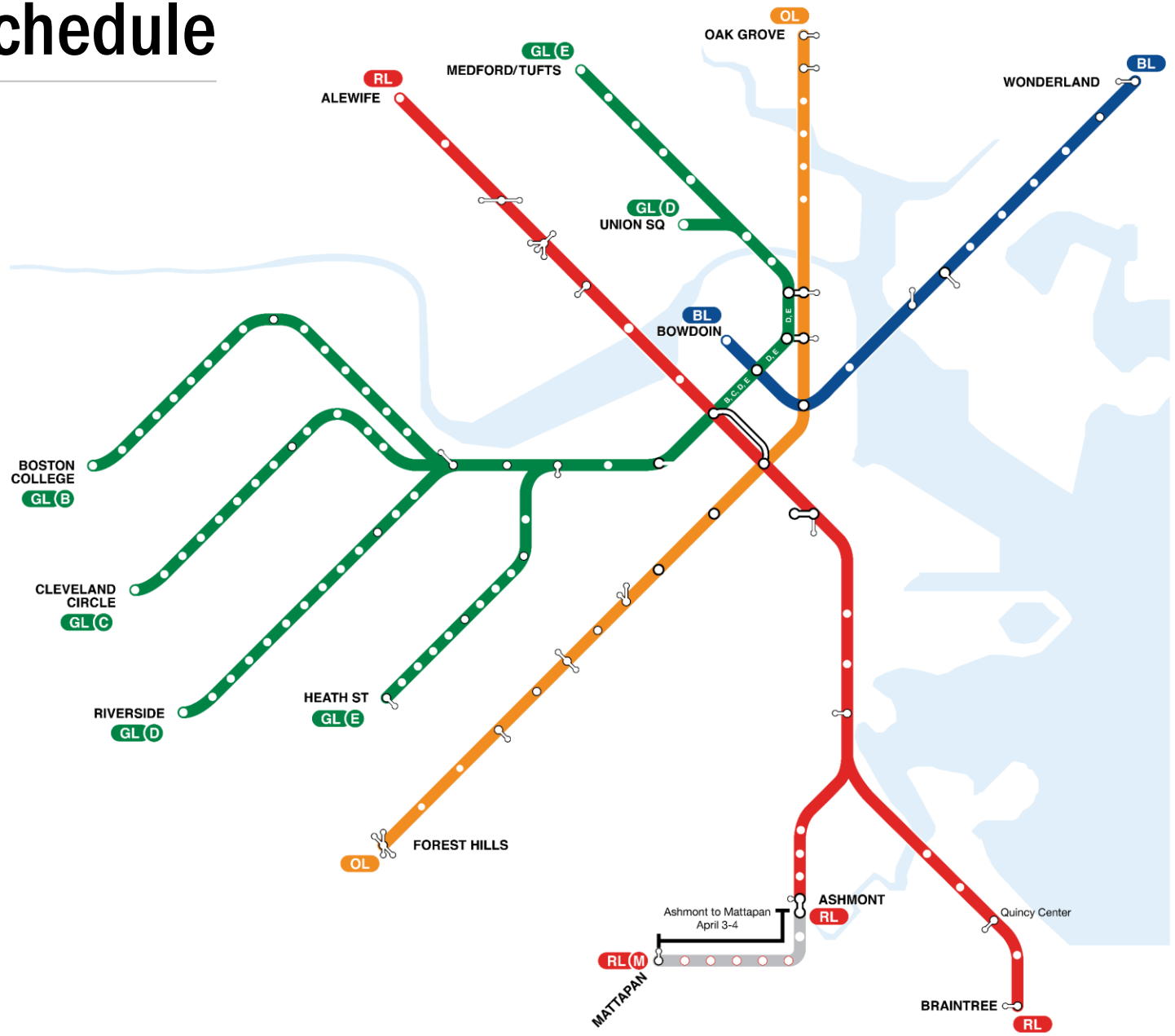




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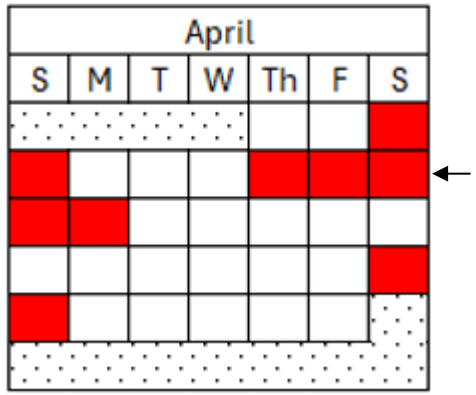
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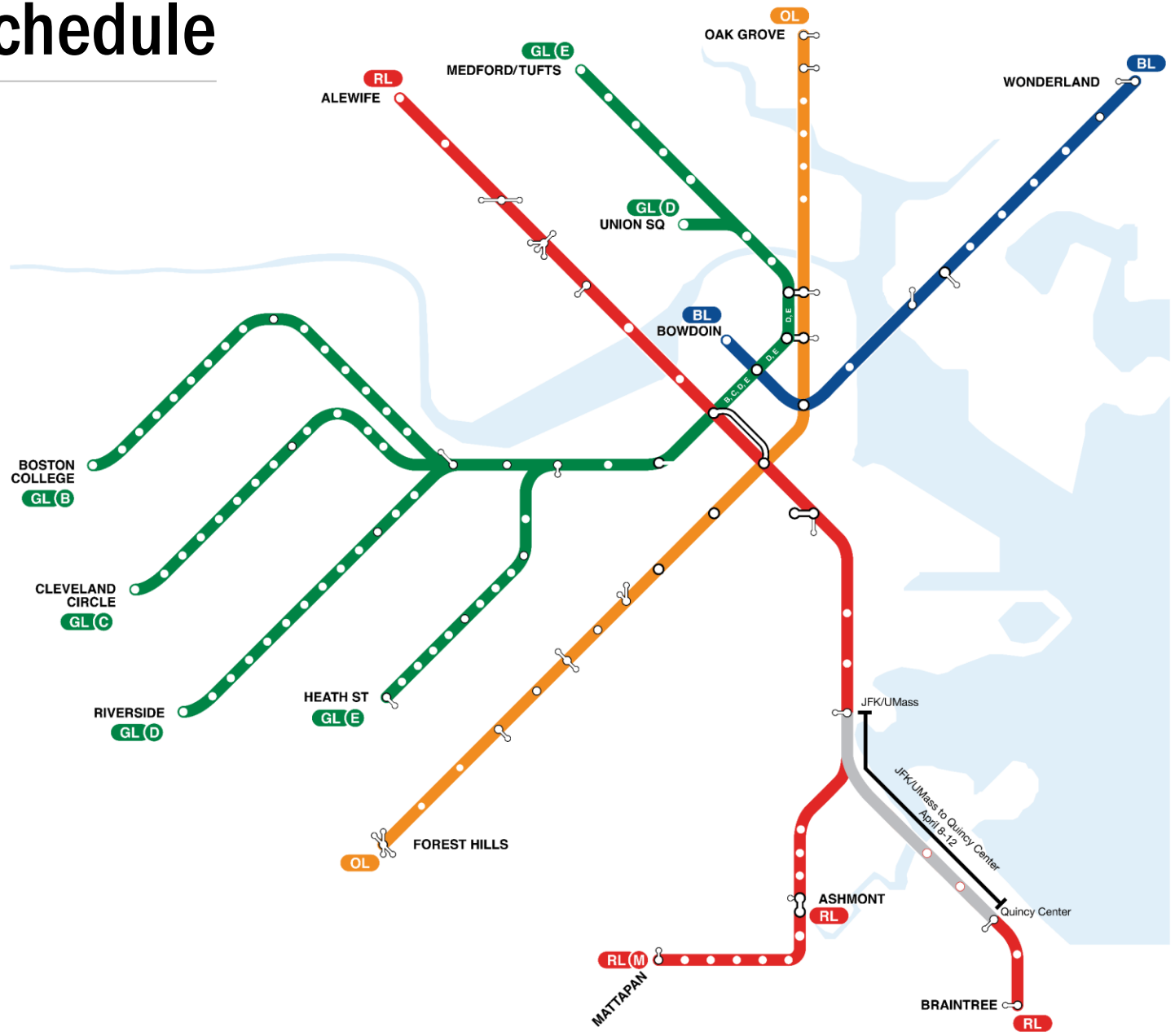




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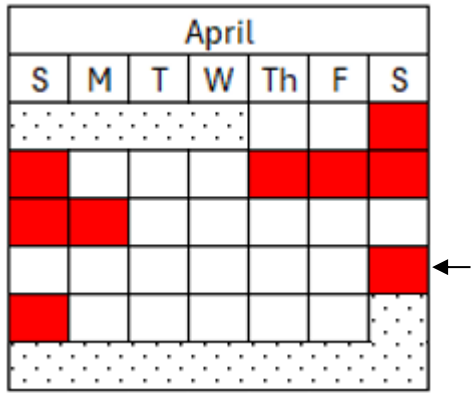
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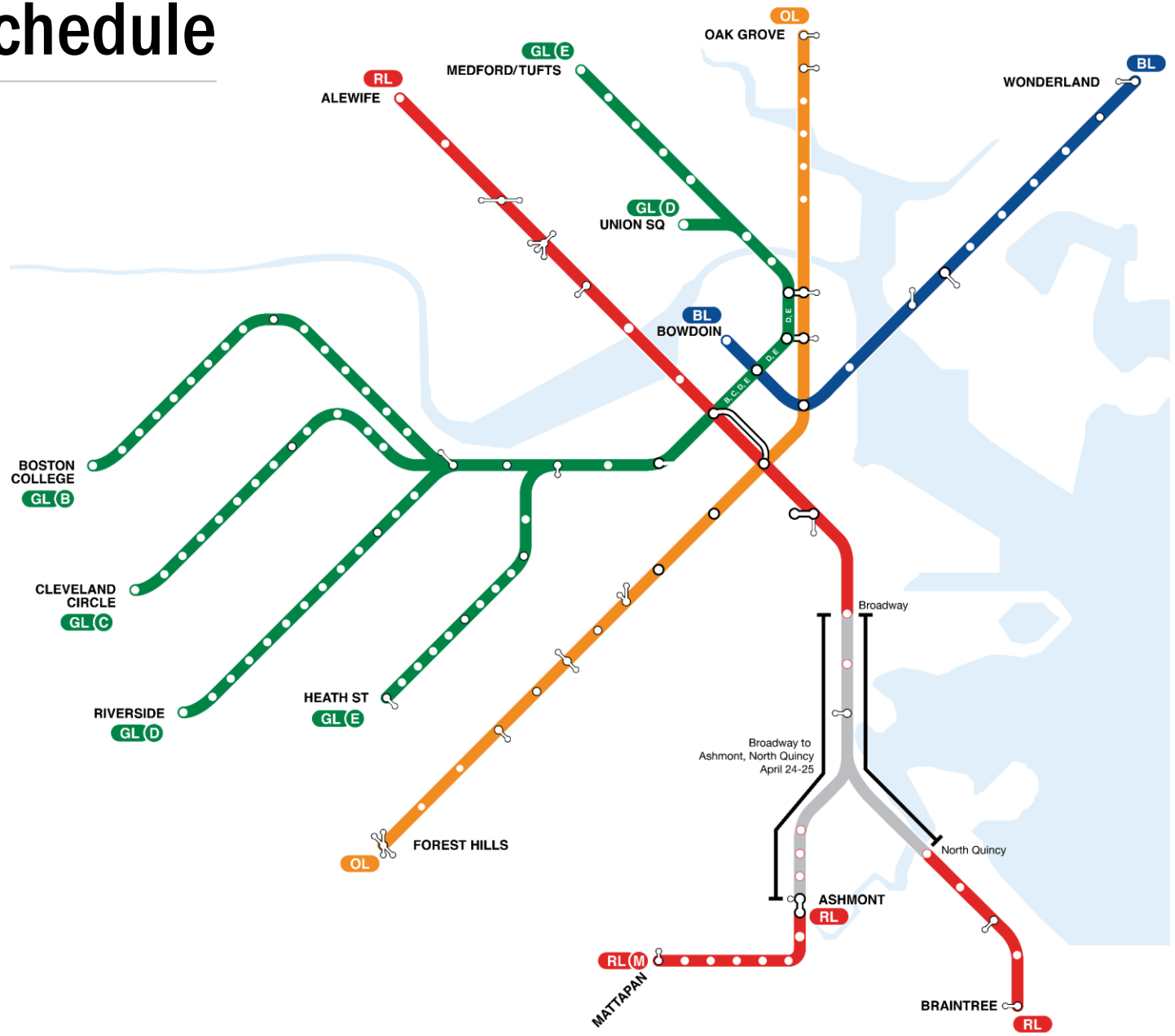


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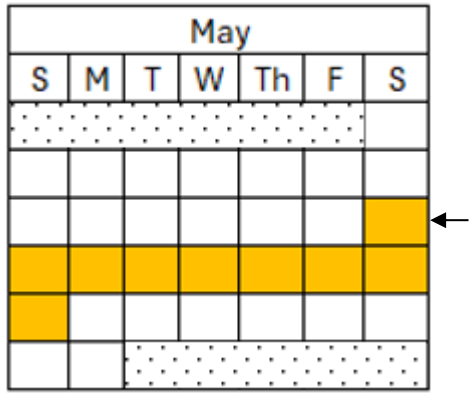


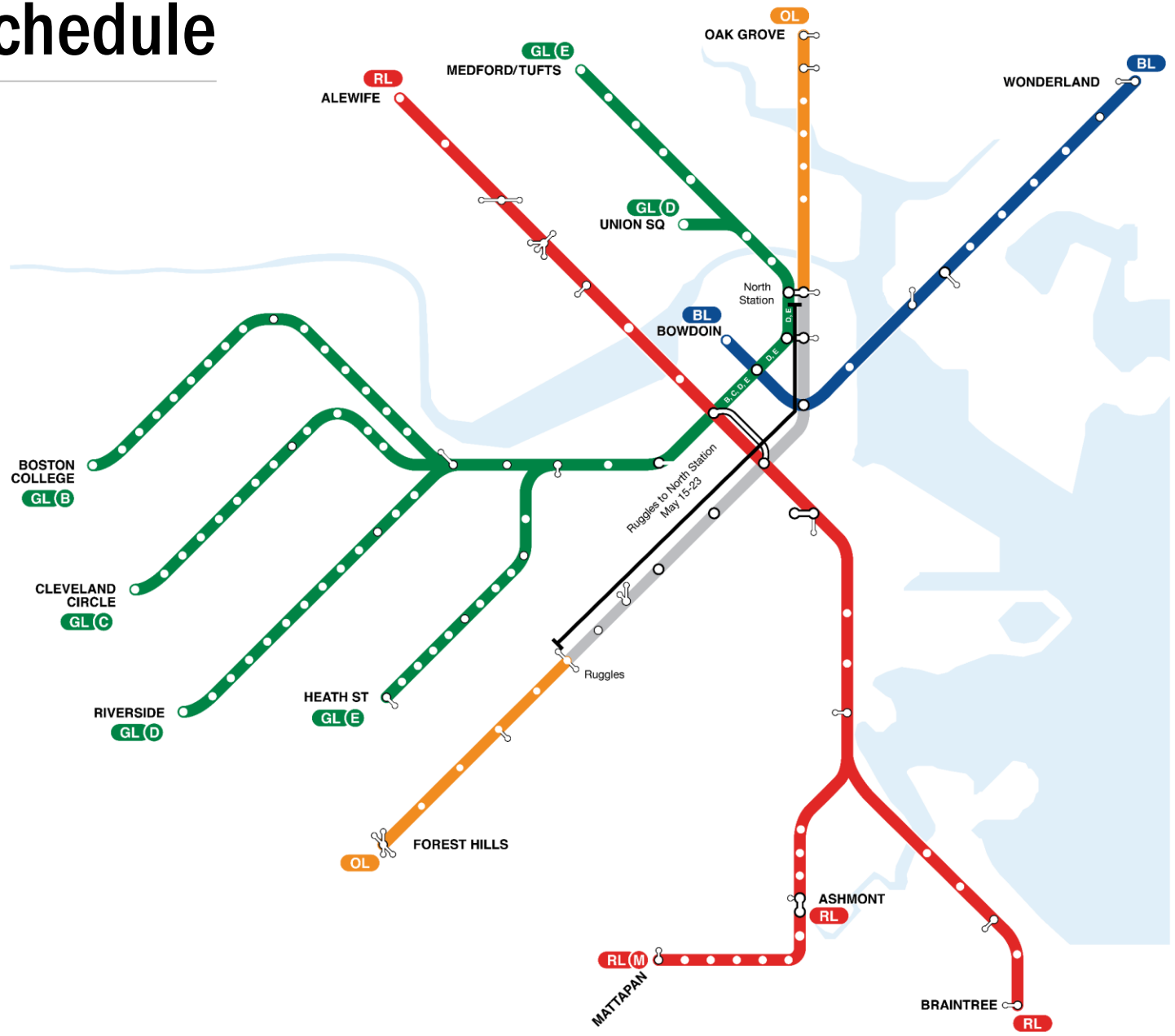
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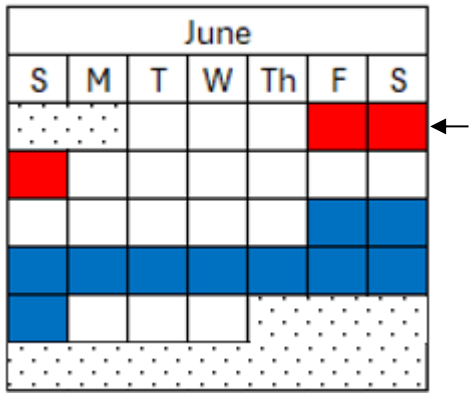
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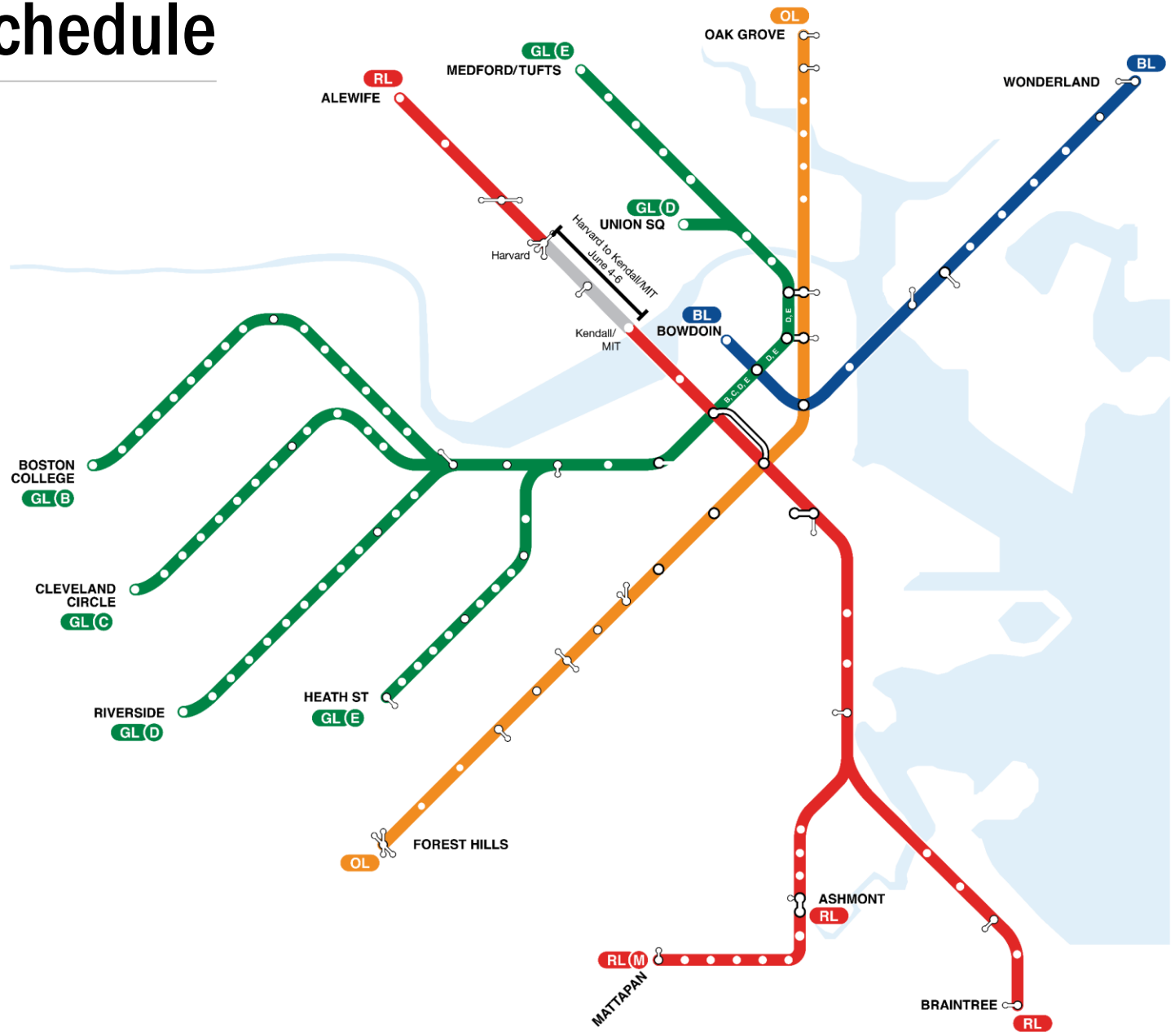




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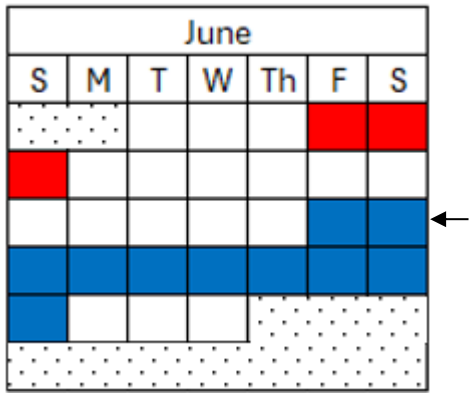
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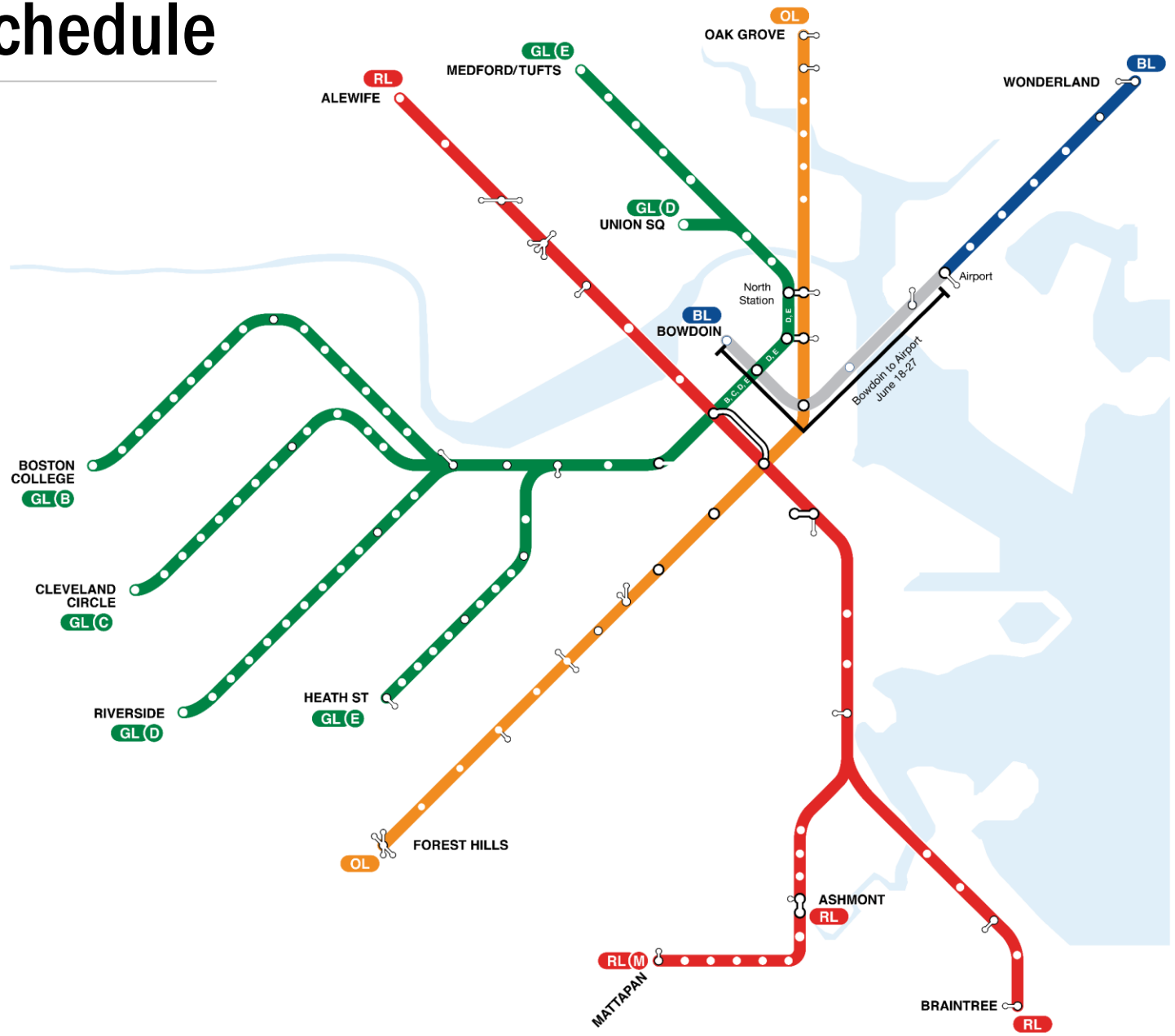




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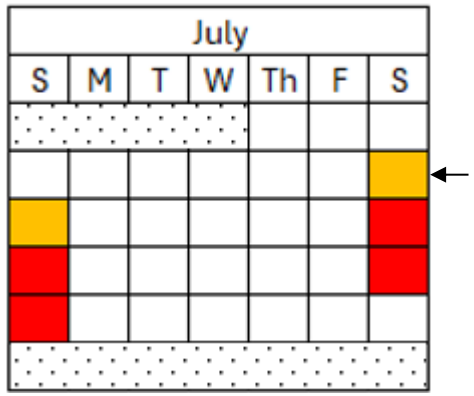
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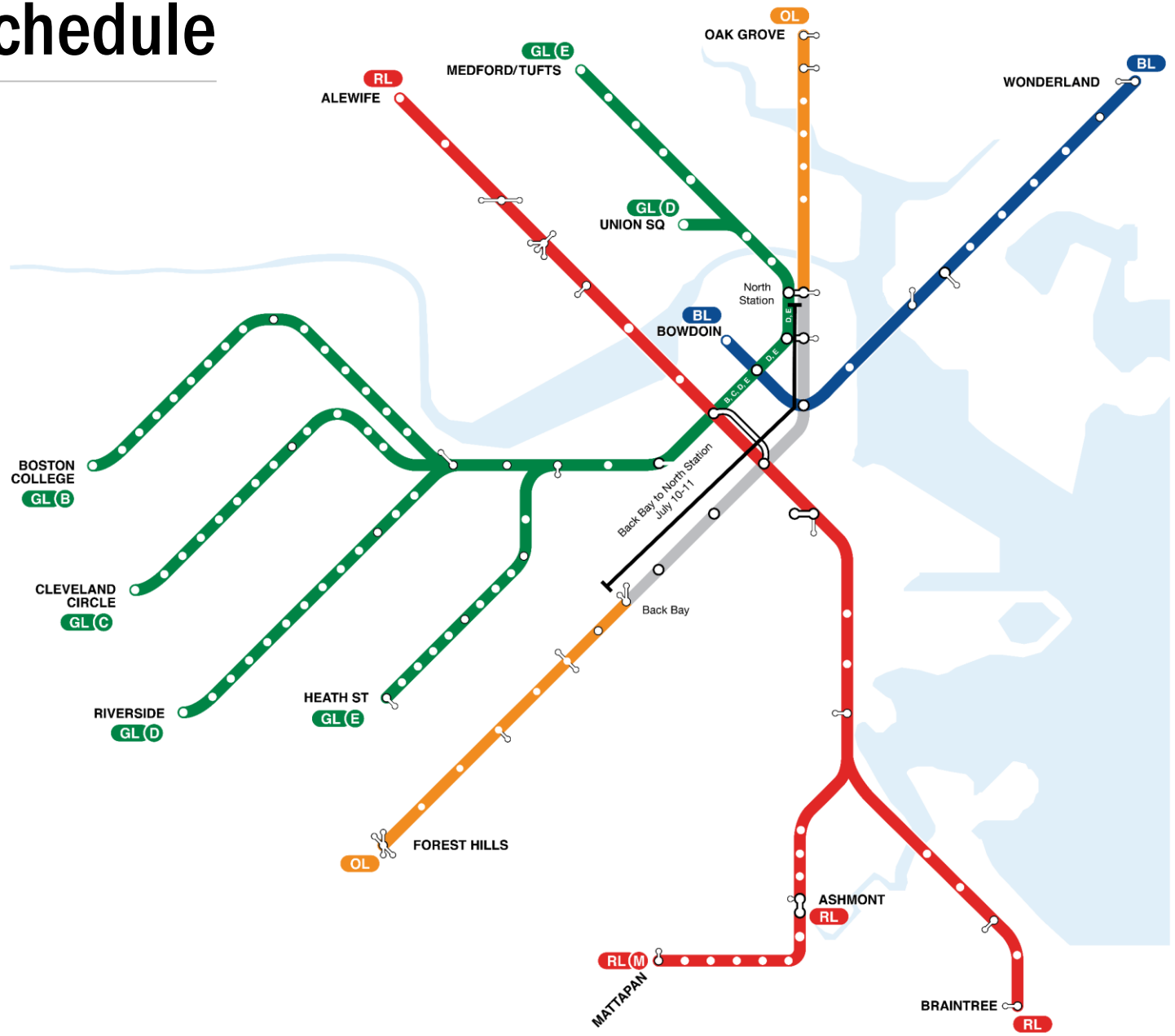




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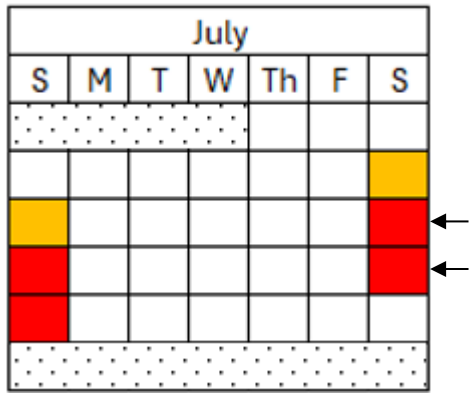
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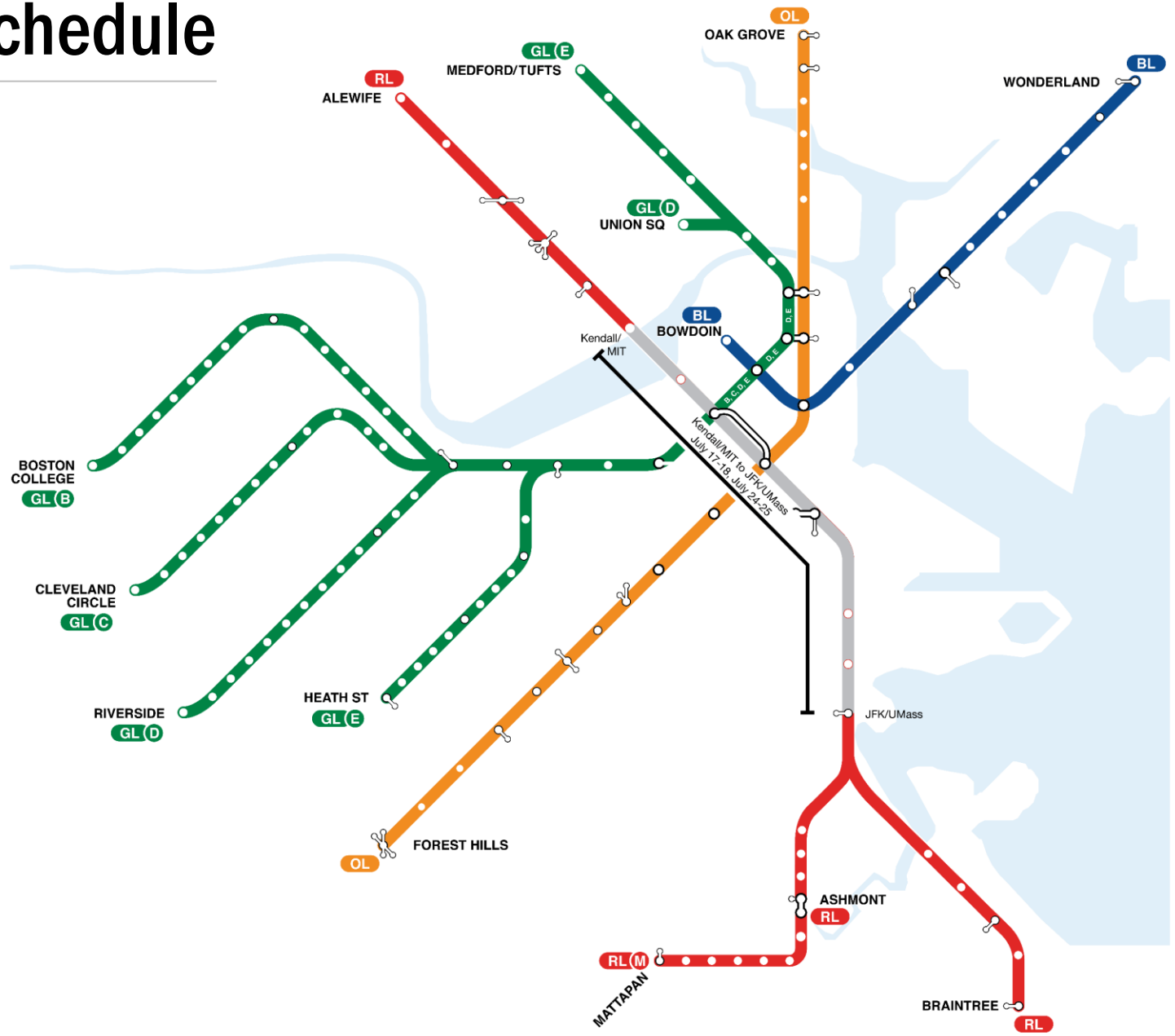




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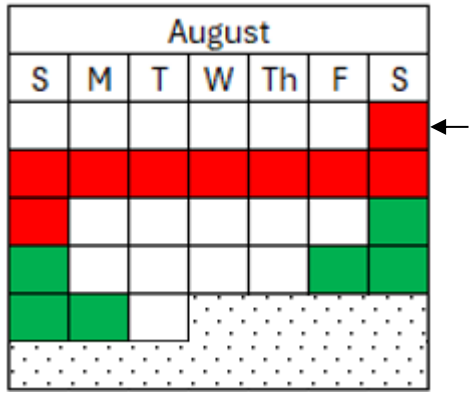
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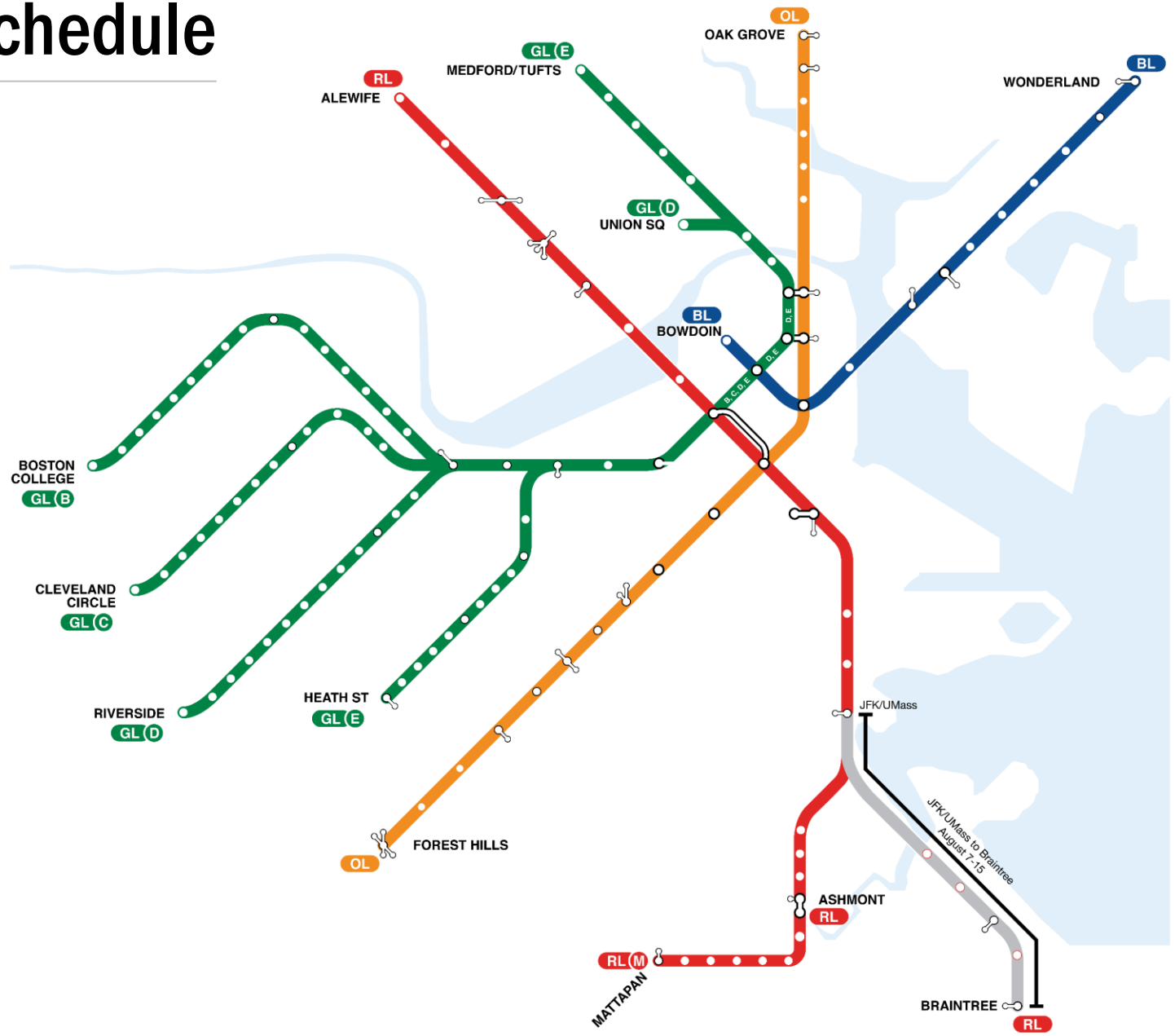




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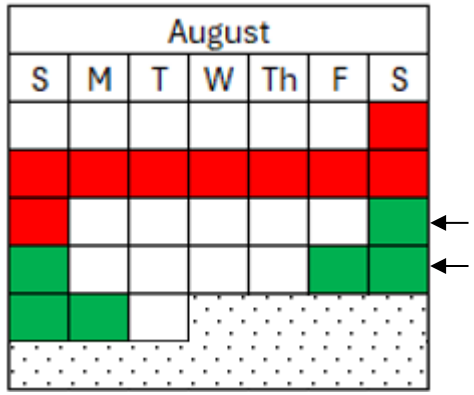
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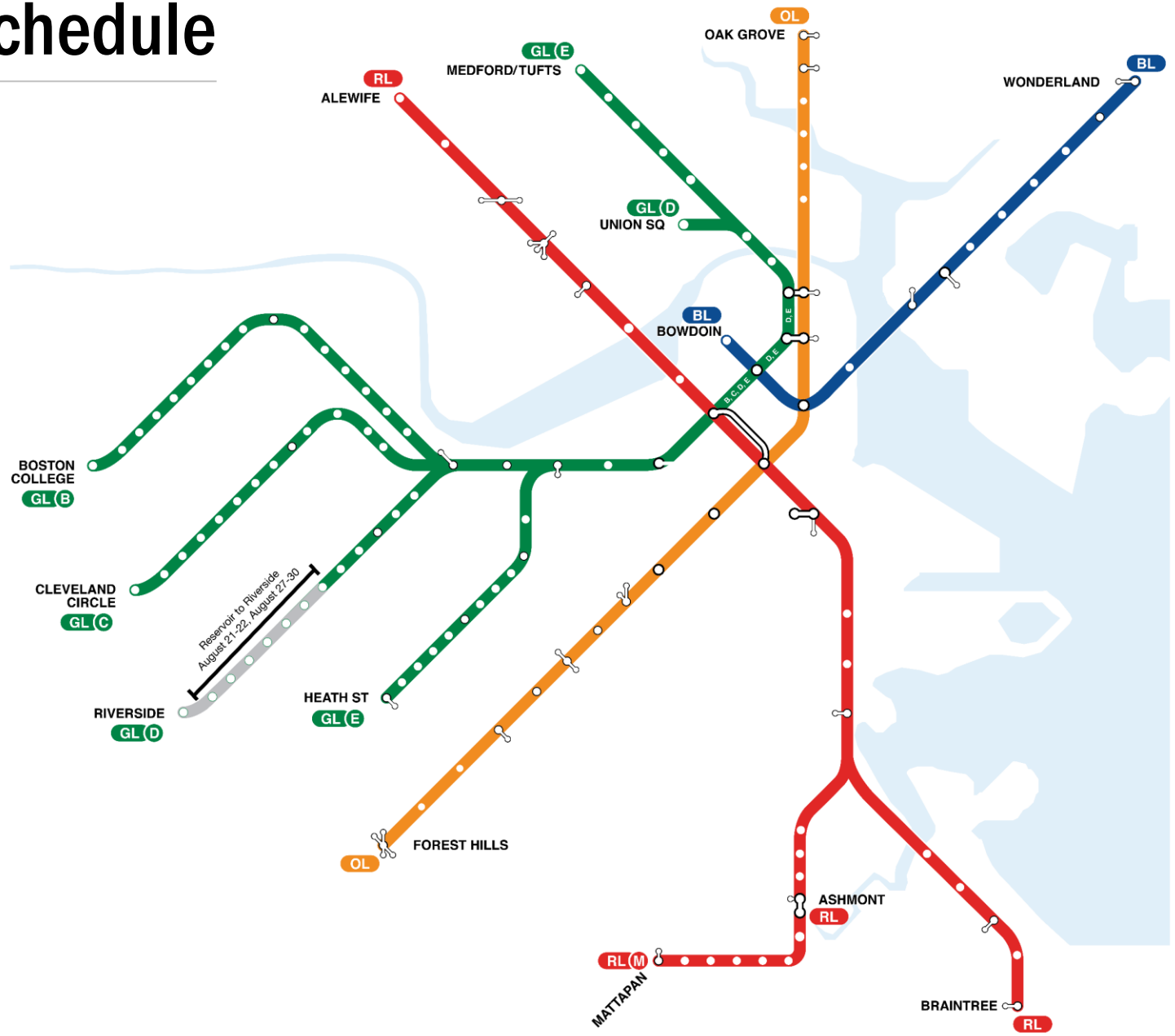




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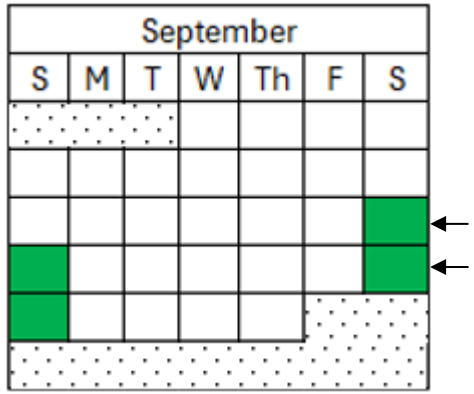
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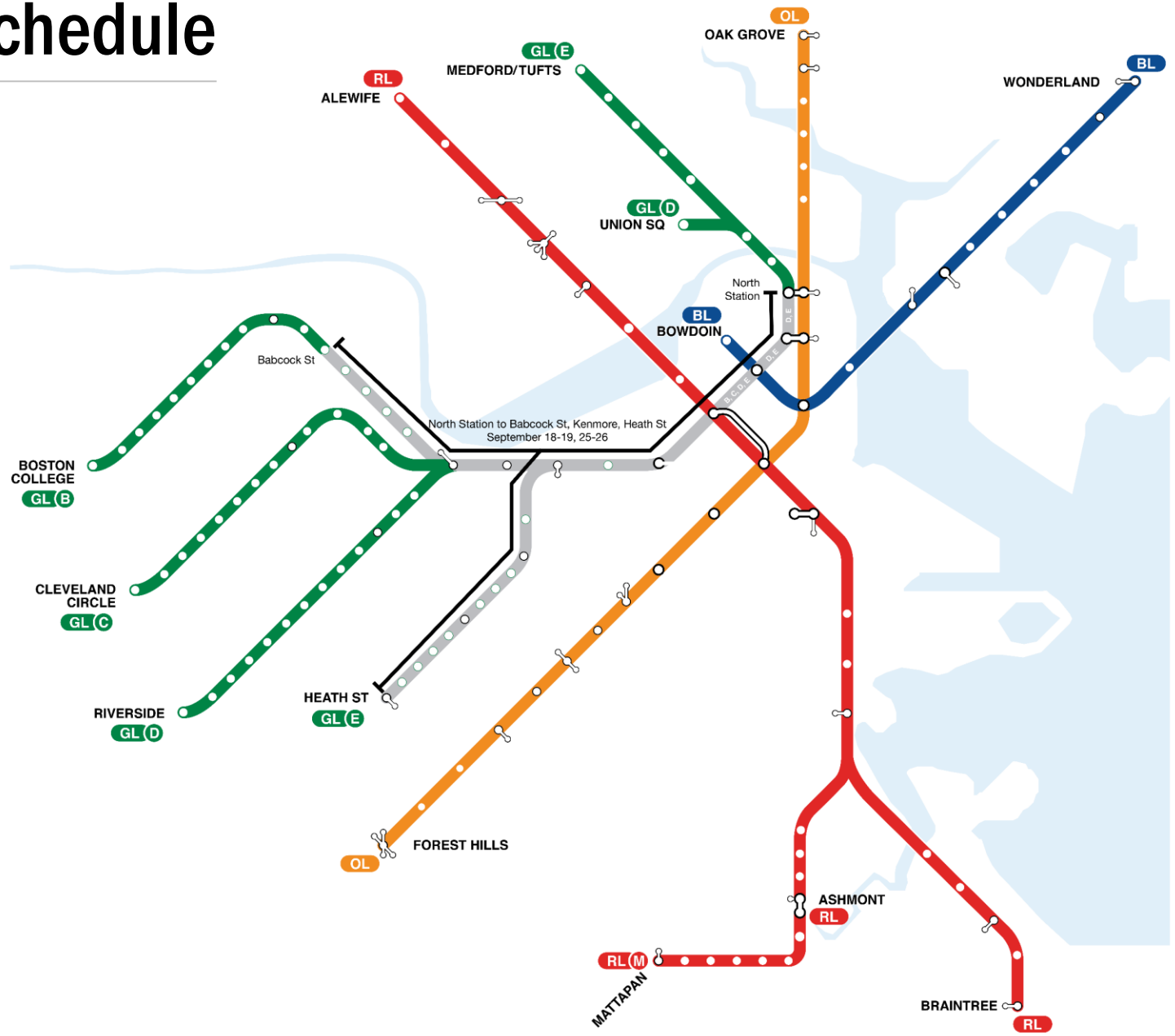




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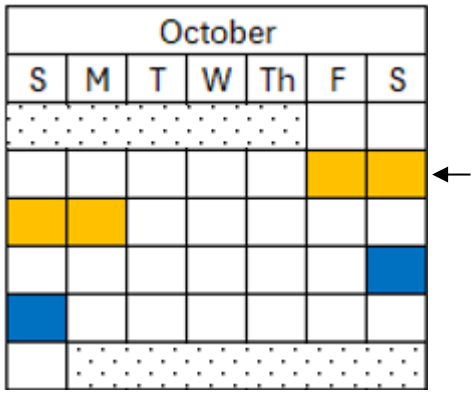
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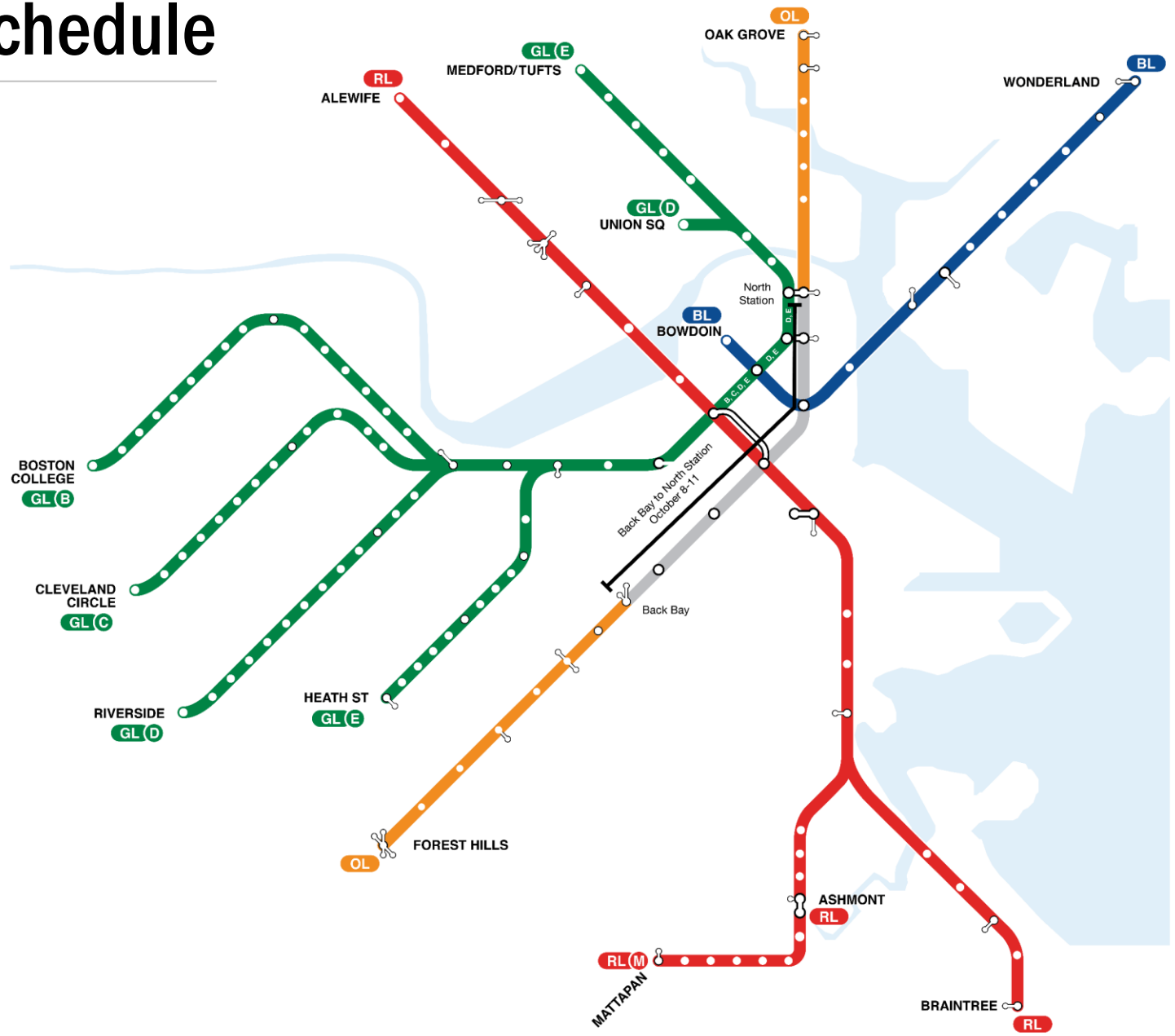




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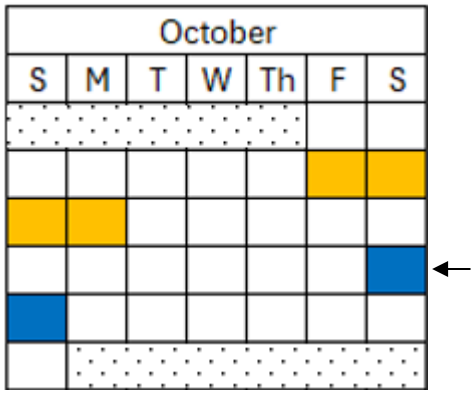
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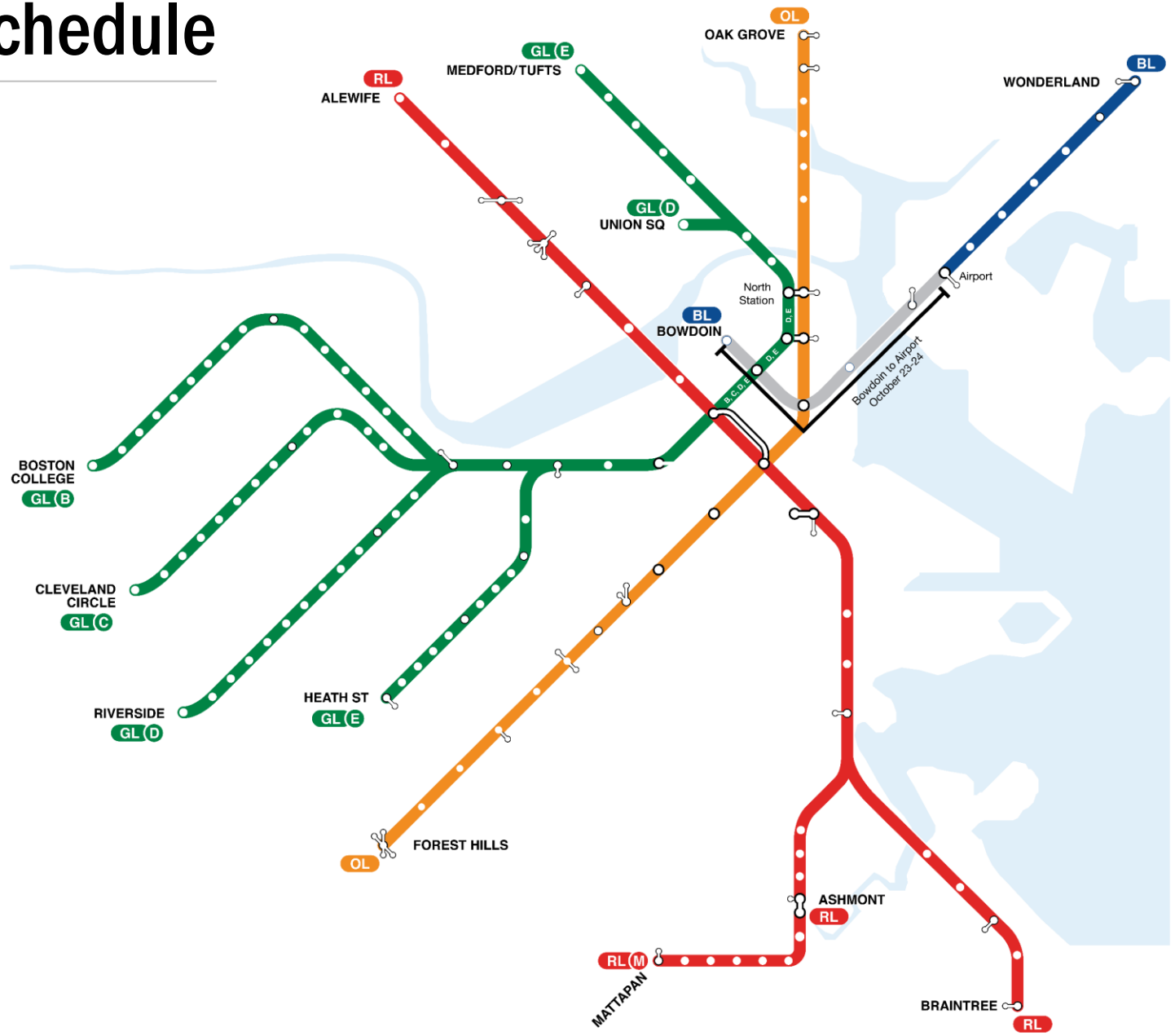




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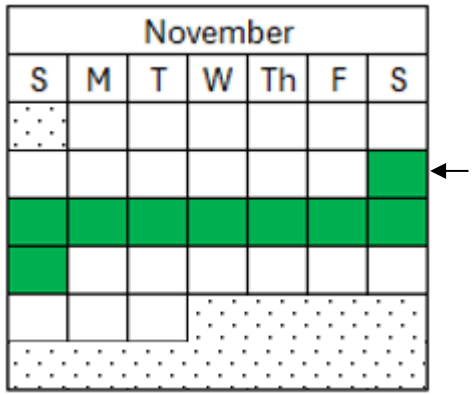
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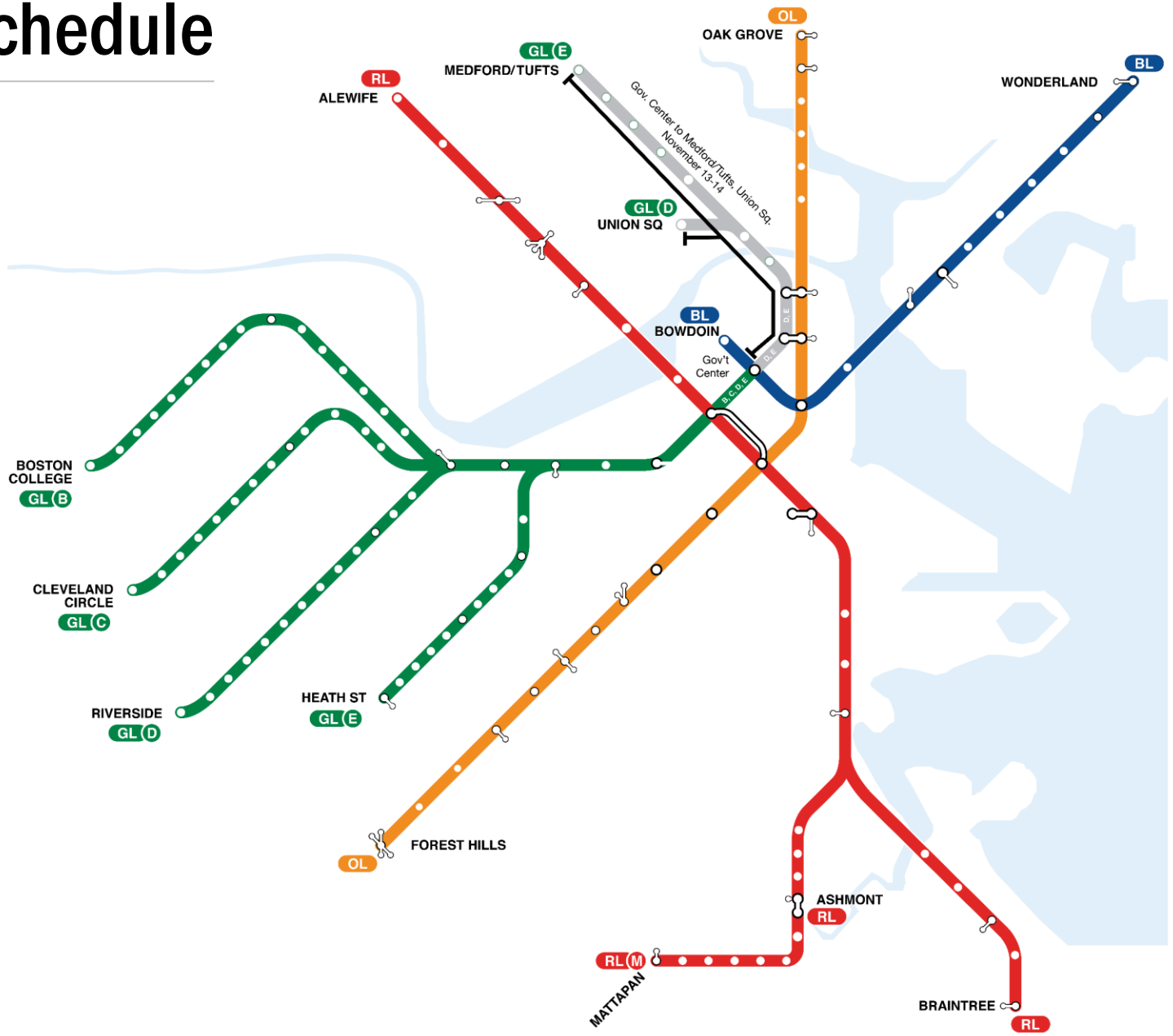


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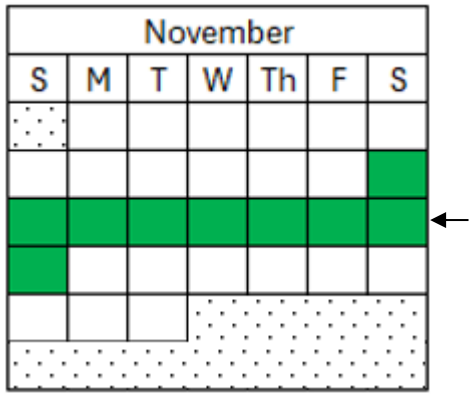


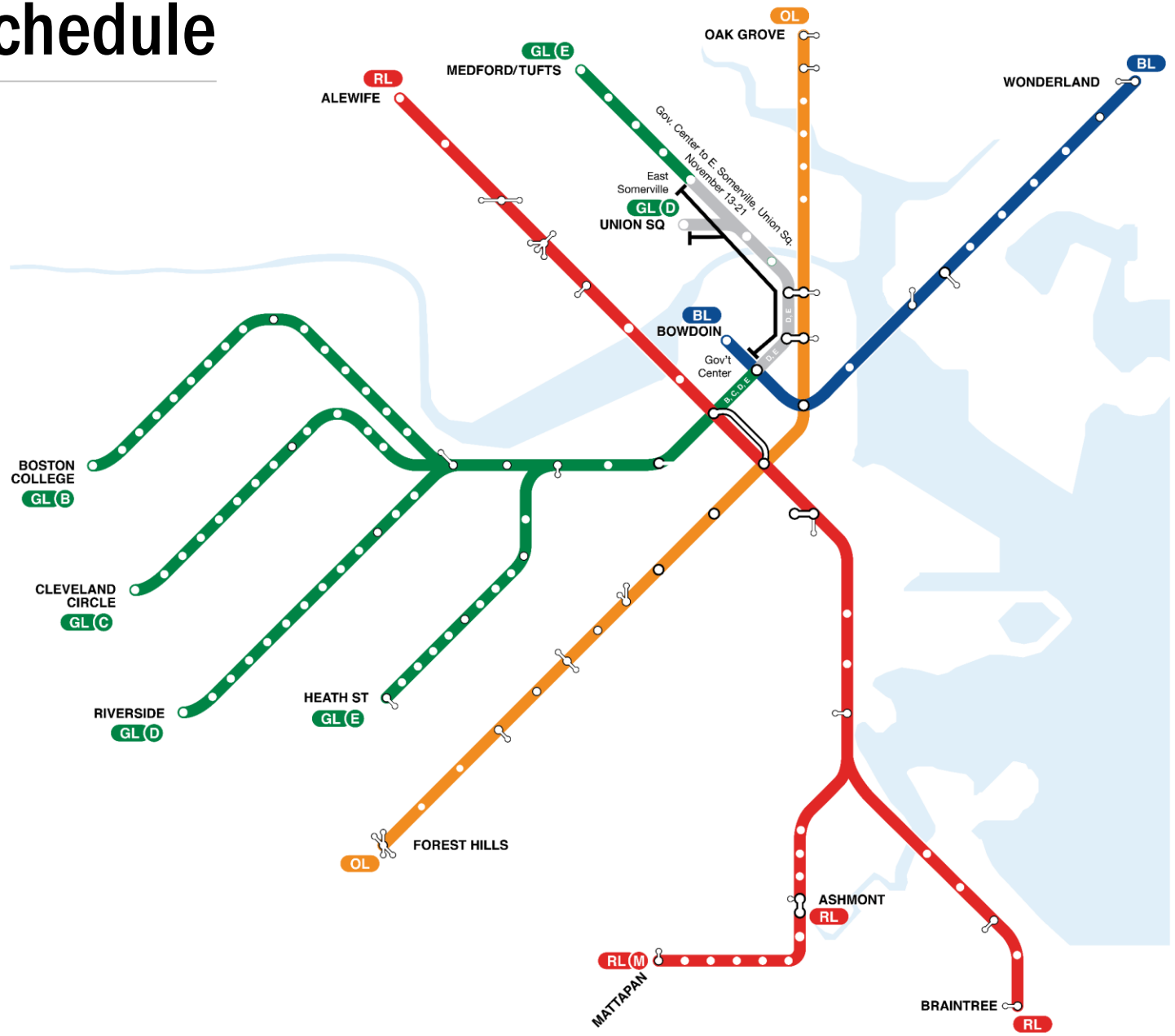
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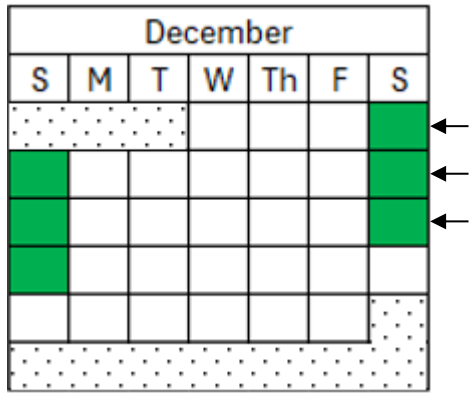
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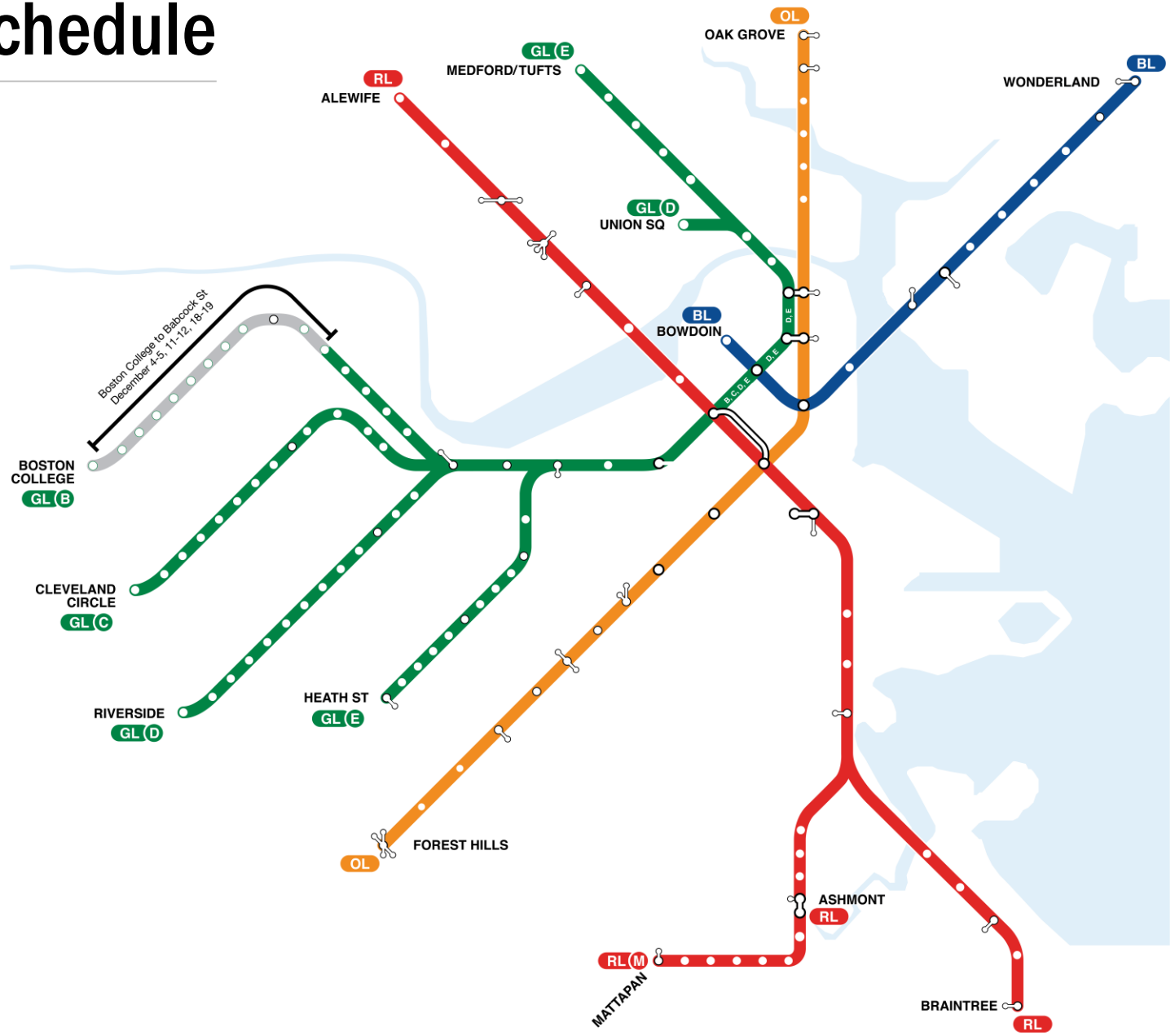




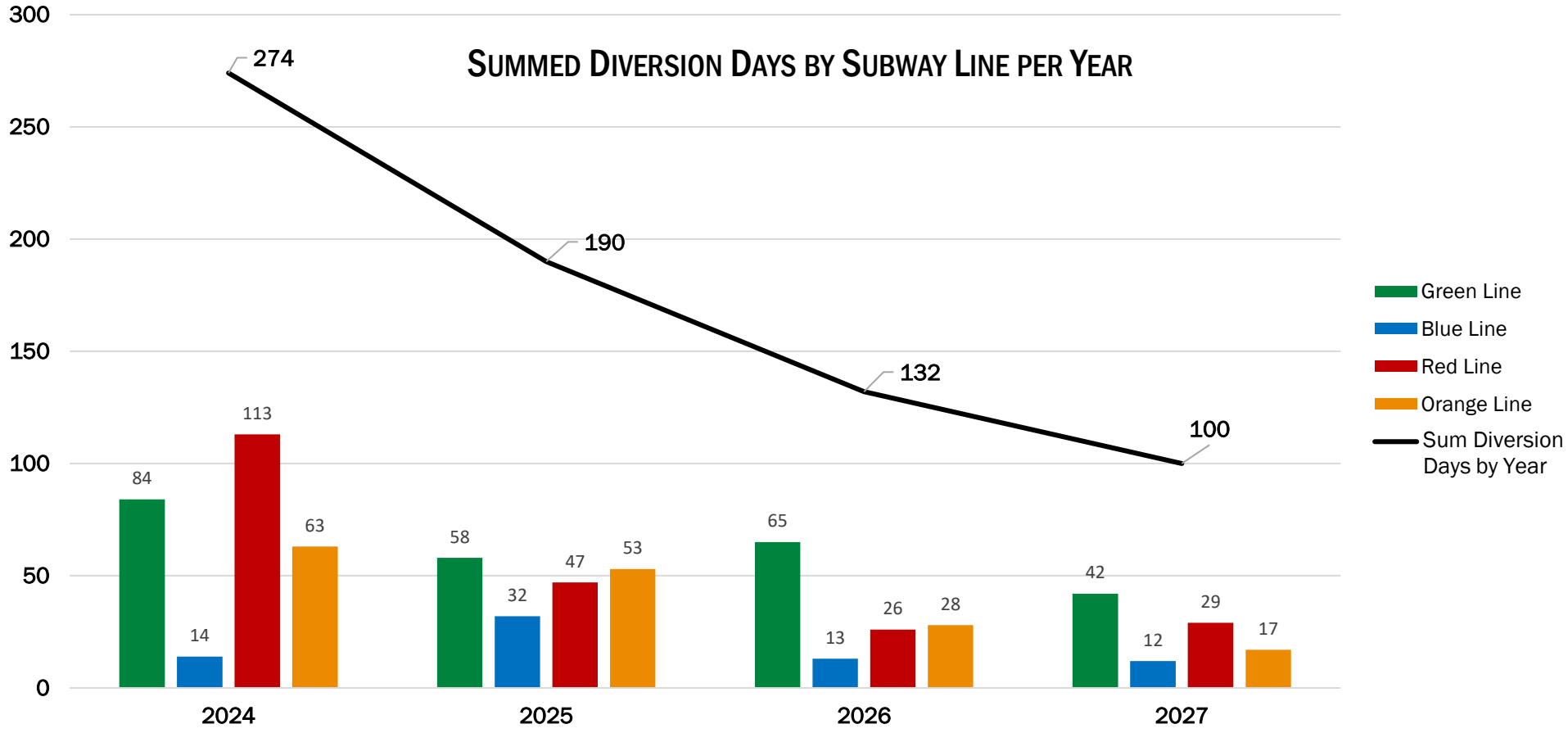
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