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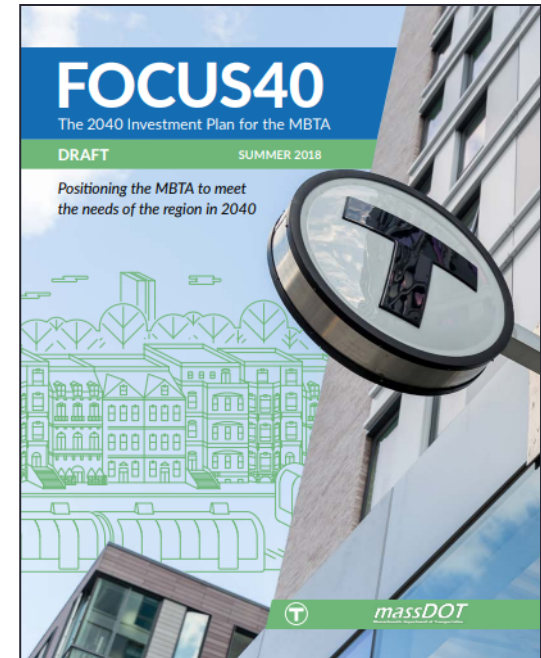
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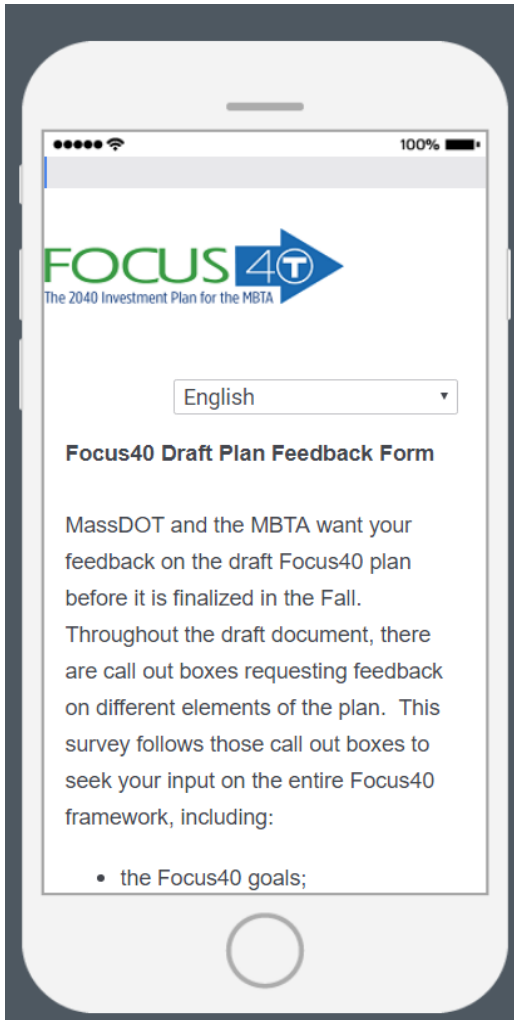
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# Purpose

- Share feedback received on the draft plan
- Present proposed updates
  - Propose policy topics to be addressed in implementation
- Establish whether FMCB agrees we are ready by the end of February to finalize and publicly release plan



# Outreach for the Draft Report



- Draft Plan posted on project website for three months
- Over 8,000 unique visitors to [www.mbtafocus40.com](http://www.mbtafocus40.com)
- 705 survey respondents
- 90 letters/emails (including stakeholder groups)

# RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK

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- Policies
- Programs
- Priority Places
- Implementation

# Major Themes Heard During Outreach

## Policies

- Establish role and priorities for bus street infrastructure
- Identify path forward for expansion ideas
- Resiliency investment needs to be more ambitious and holistic

## Programs/Investments

- Red-Blue Connection
- Zero-Emissions Buses
- Green Line Extension to Mystic Valley Parkway, Somerville/Medford

## Priority Places

- Expand list of Priority Places to additional areas
- Focus on areas where roadway network is congested

## Implementation

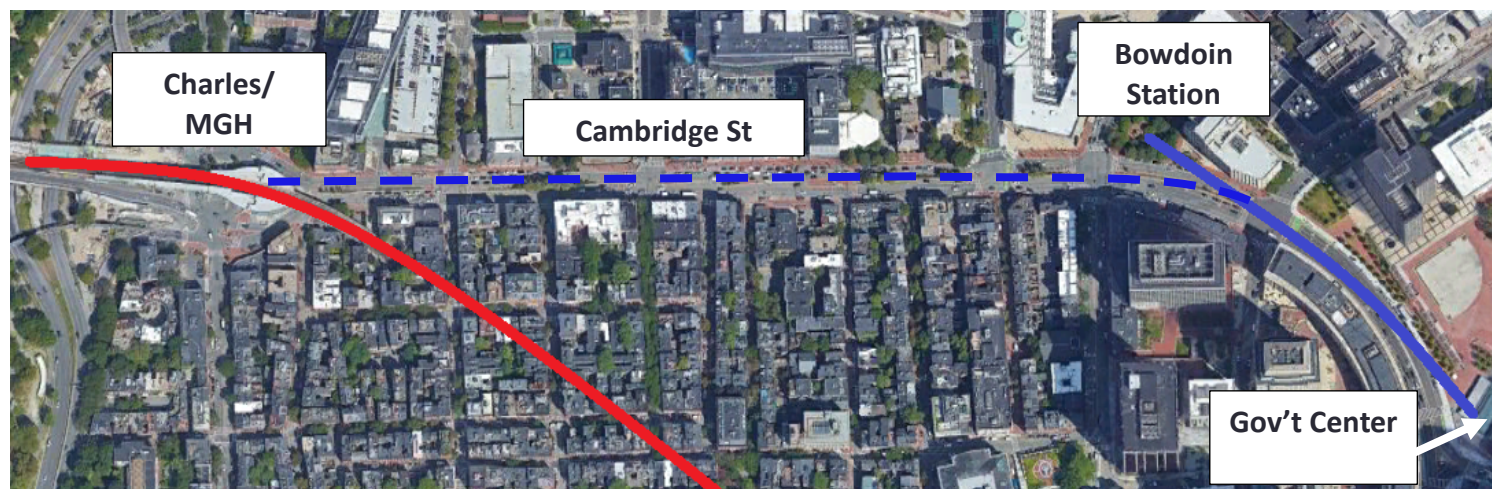
- Request for more information on project universe, costs, prioritization process, and implementation

# Proposed Changes: Policy Needs

- Develop policy statements to be applied in implementation phase:
  - **Bus Street Infrastructure:** MassDOT / MBTA will work closely with communities to help establish roles and identify investment priorities for street-level bus infrastructure improvements (accessibility, amenities, transit priority, and new transit service).
  - **Funding Expansion Projects:** MassDOT/MBTA will not advance future expansion projects beyond a conceptual study until a finance plan has been developed and they have been included in a financially constrained programming document (CIP, Boston Region MPO Regional Transportation Plan).
  - **Resiliency:** Resiliency will be incorporated into all activities and resiliency design guidelines will be developed and applied to future capital projects.

# Proposed Changes: Red-Blue

- Move implementation of a rail Red-Blue Connector into *Next Priorities*.
- Eliminate pedestrian connection from *Next Priorities*.



# Proposed Changes: Zero-Emissions Buses

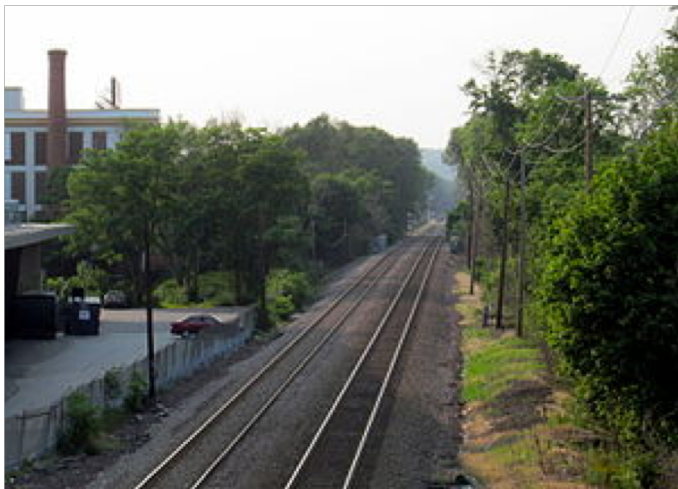
- Clarify that the MBTA will no longer procure new diesel-only buses.
- Underscore that all maintenance facility upgrades and expansions will be designed to accommodate zero emission vehicles.
- Once successful electric bus pilots are complete and capital plan for the facilities has been developed, commit to a target date for transitioning the fleet.





# Proposed Changes: GLX to Mystic Valley Parkway, Somerville/Medford

- Include Final Environmental Impact Report in *Commitments*.
- Keep implementation in *Big Ideas*.
- Complete the MEPA process that was initiated as part of the commitment of MPO funding to GLX.

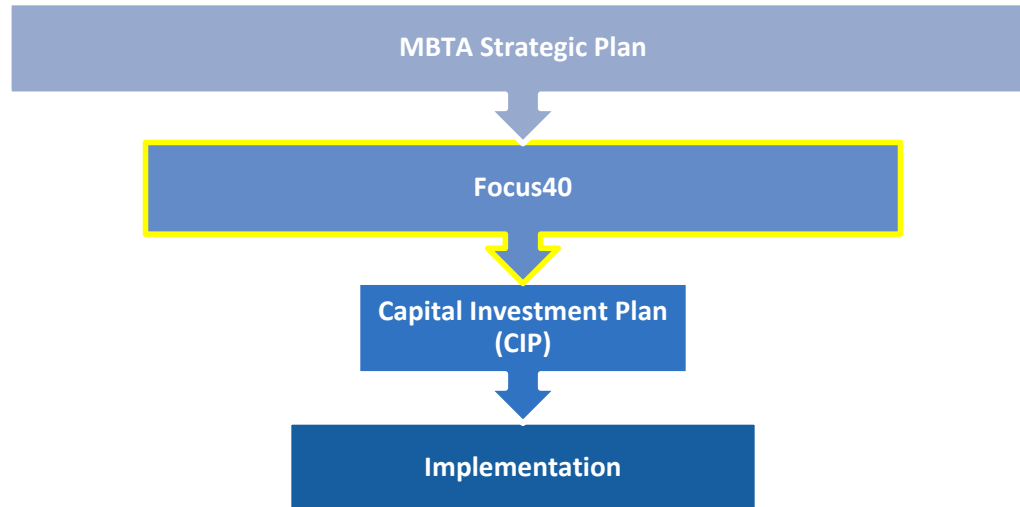


# Proposed Changes: Places

- Highlight additional places that meet the criteria (density, transit dependent population)
  - Call out *Urban Gateways* that do not have MBTA bus service (Brockton, Lawrence, Lowell, Framingham)
  - Identify other *Inner Core* locations without rapid transit (e.g. parts of Allston/Brighton)
- Add areas where roadway network is congested as a criterion
- Reassess Priority Places periodically in response to shifting regional development patterns

# Addressing Comments: Implementation

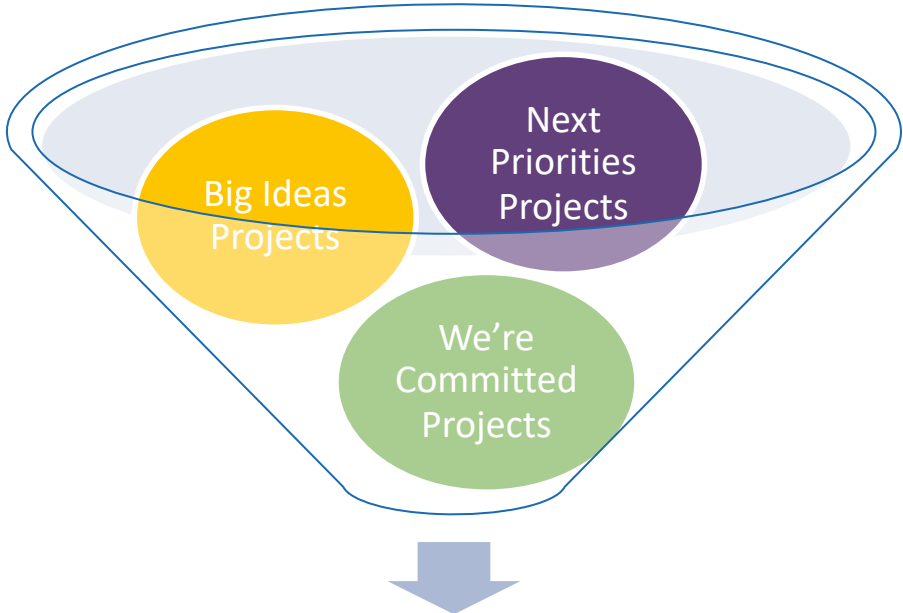
- Integrate Focus40 into Capital Investment Program development
- Complete identification of clear next steps for each “*Next Priority*”
- Clarify pathways for Priority Places and “*Big Ideas*”
- Develop and have FMCB adopt relevant policies



# APPENDIX

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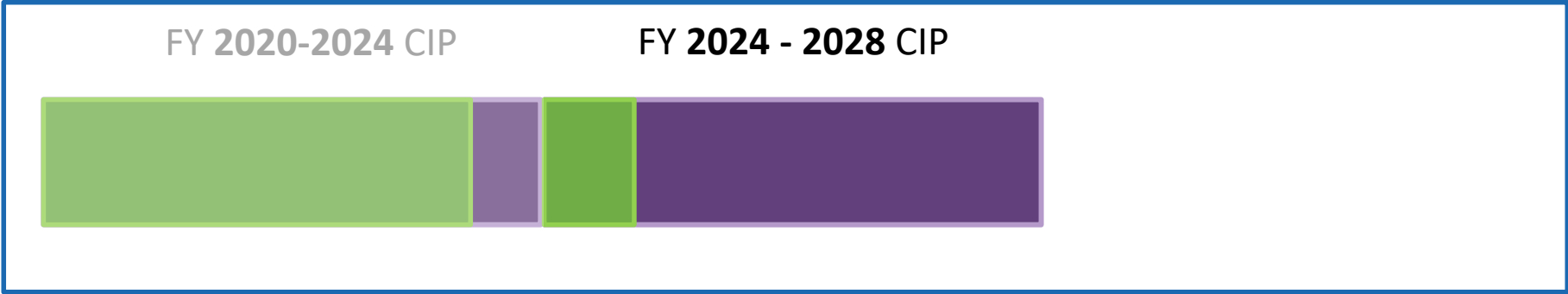
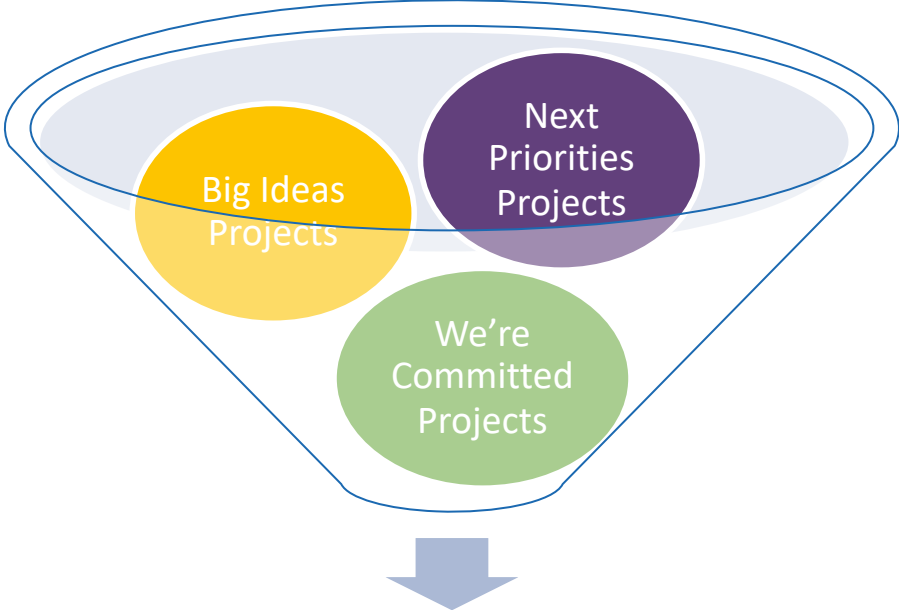
# Focus40 Investment Priorities



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