## Roadmap Update:

### Path to a Zero Emissions Fleet

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## Today's Discussion Route:

- ABOUT MAINTENANCE A brief introduction to the department
- ZERO EMISSIONS ANALYSIS PROJECT OVERVIEW
  - About our partner CTE
  - Project Goals
  - Project Plan and Schedule
  - ZEB 101
  - Progress to date
- ACTIONS AND IMPACT What are we doing now?
- NEXT STEPS What are our next steps toward our destination?



# DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW:

Facilities Maintenance (15 FTE)

- > 1037 bus stops, 291 bus shelters,
- Pattison Base (4 buildings)
  - Operations/Administration and Maintenance
- Transit Centers
  - Olympia Transit Center (2 buildings)
  - Lacey Transit Center
- Park and Rides (2)
- Centennial Station (Amtrak)







## DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW:

### Fleet Maintenance (58 FTE)







### Vehicles by NTD mode and Vehicle Type

	Count
Demand Response	60
Para Transit (Dial-A-Lift)	54
Village Van	6
Motor Bus	86
Bus	86
Staff Vehicles	38
Non-Revenue Service Vehicle	32
Trailer, non motorized	4
Vanpool	1
Walk N Roll/Bike Partners	1
Vanpool	195
Community Van	8
Vanpool	187
Grand Total	379



### **PROJECT OVERVIEW:**

Zero Emissions Analysis

Project Partner:

- Center for Transportation and the Environment
  - Nelson Nygard
  - ➢ Hatch LTK









# **About CTE**



#### WHO WE ARE

501(c)(3) nonprofit engineering and planning firm



#### OUR MISSION

Improve the health of our climate and communities by bringing people together to develop and commercialize clean, efficient, and sustainable transportation technologies



#### PORTFOLIO

\$850 million

- Research, demonstration, deployment
- 100+ Active Projects totaling over \$336 million



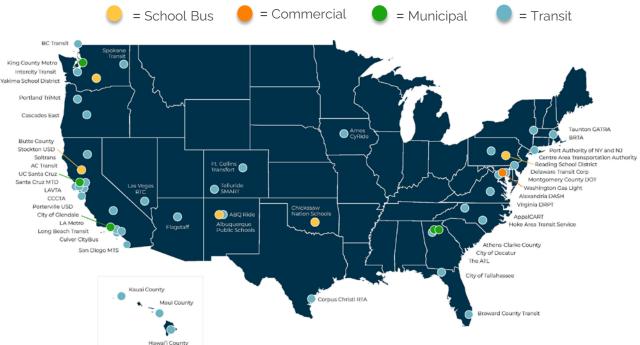
### OUR FOCUS

Zero-Emission Transportation Technologies





NATIONAL PRESENCE Atlanta, Berkeley, Los Angeles, St. Paul



# **Project Goals and Priorities**

### ➢ Goals:

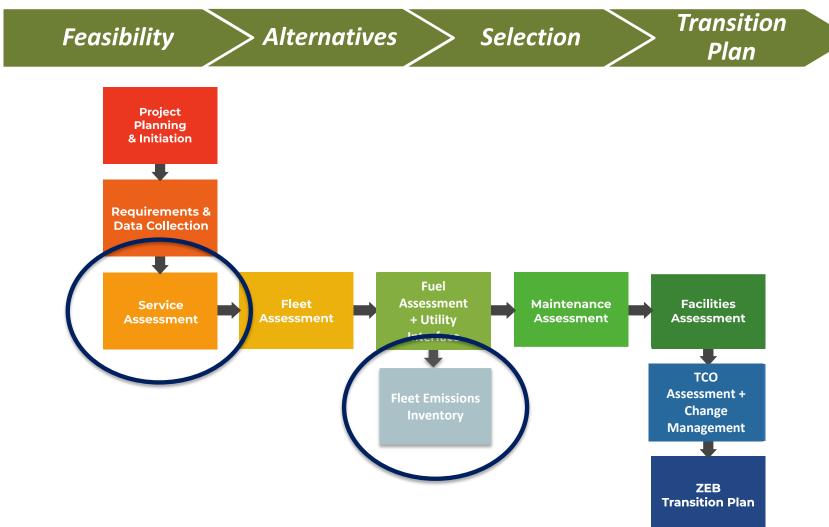
- Perform an analysis of current and emerging zero emission vehicle technology to assist Intercity in preparing for the development of a long-term zero emissions fleet transition plan.
- Understand the barriers, constraints, risks associated with transitioning to zero emission fleet.

### > <u>Priorities</u>:

- Provide transit services focused on community needs, not technology constraints
- Consider full lifecycle emissions of all solutions (well-towheels)



# ZEB Transition Approach and Methodology





# **Project Schedule**

Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Q4			Q1			Q2			Q3	
				Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Part 1: Zero Emission Analysis	205d	10/31/22	08/25/23											
+ Planning, Initiation, and Kickoff	16d	10/31/22	11/22/22											
<ul> <li>Baseline</li> </ul>	40d	11/16/22	01/17/23											
GHG Emissions Inventory	139d	11/16/22	06/07/23											
<ul> <li>State of the Industry</li> </ul>	35d	11/25/22	01/17/23		P									
Analyze and Evaluate	137d	12/02/22	06/20/23											
<ul> <li>Economic and Cost Assessment</li> </ul>	68d	03/22/23	06/27/23											
<ul> <li>Change Management</li> </ul>	95d	02/02/23	06/16/23											
Potential Timeline	1d	06/21/23	06/21/23									ľ		
Outreach and Education	189d	11/25/22	08/25/23											
<ul> <li>Report and Recommendations</li> </ul>	45d	06/01/23	08/04/23											
Draft Report (For Low-No Application)	10d	06/01/23	06/14/23											
Final Report	35d	06/15/23	08/04/23									+		

Contract states that the Statement of Work should be completed by July 31, 2023.





## **Zero Emission Bus 101**

## Why Zero-Emission Buses?



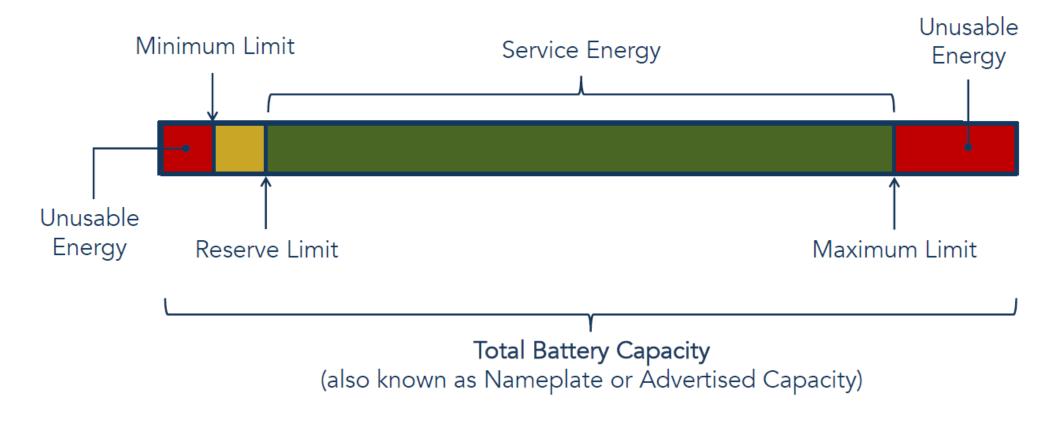
- Cleaner, lowers transit's contribution to climate change
  - Zero tailpipe emissions
  - Lower source emissions
- More efficient, lower energy consumption
- Quieter, Preferred by passengers
- Lower maintenance costs
- Lower fuel cost in some parts of the country
- US-produced fuel source, predictable fuel cost
- Innovative technology





### New Battery

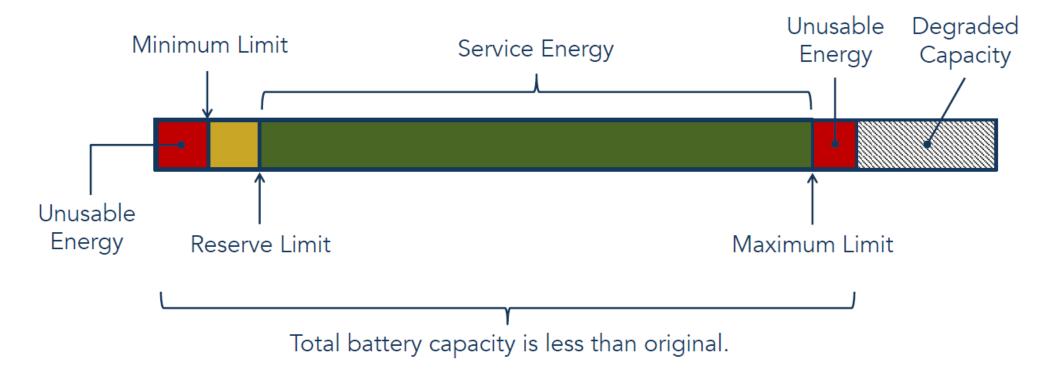
• Understanding how much of the battery is usable for service is critical for planning your deployment.





### Battery at End-of-Life\*

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<sup>\*</sup>as defined by battery warranty

### Zero Emission Buses —What's Different?

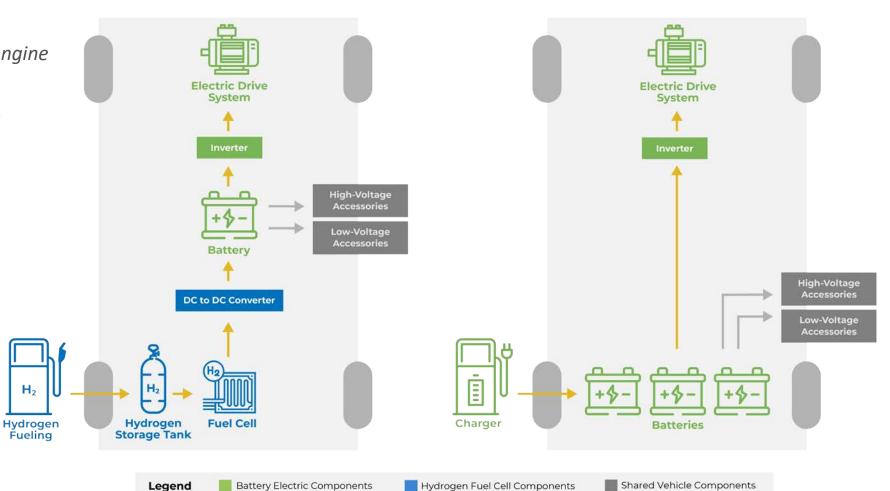
**ELECTRIC VEHICLE** 

**FUEL CELL** 



### Propulsion System

- Traction Motor instead of engine
- Energy Storage System
  - Battery instead of fuel tank
- HVAC
  - No "free" heat
  - Electric heater
- Time to "Re-fuel"
  - FCEB: 10 minutes
  - BEB: ~3 hours



**BATTERY** 

**ELECTRIC VEHICLE** 

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

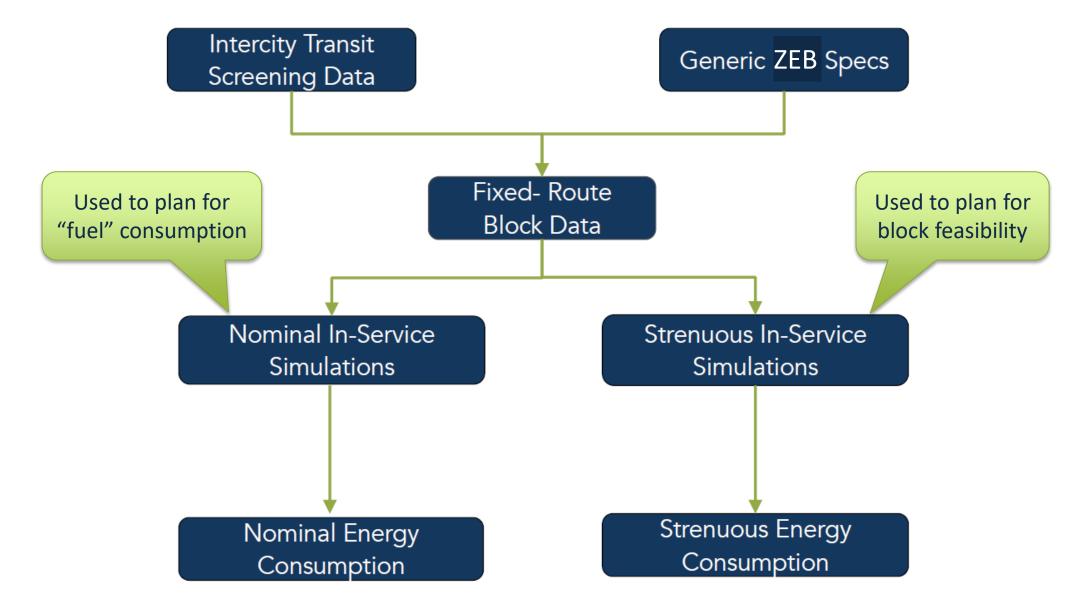
Zero Emissions Analysis

Progress to date:

- Kick-off Day and Site tour complete
- Bi-weekly project meetings
- Initial data provided and analysis underway
- Current work in progress:
  - Service assessment Baseline and feasibility of each Technology
  - GhG emissions analysis



# **Modeling and Simulation Approach**

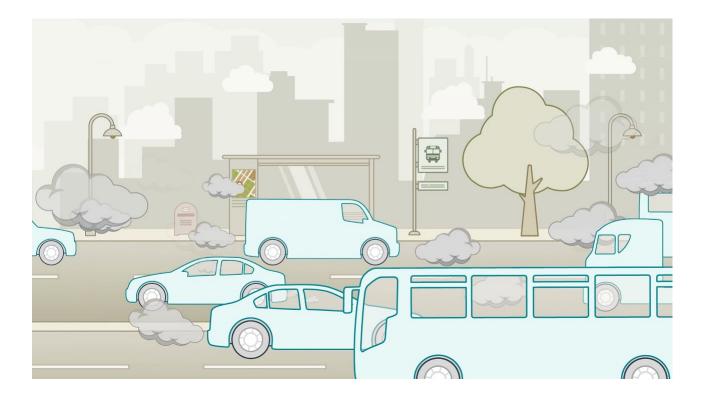


# **ZEB Transition Analysis**

### **Fleet Emissions Inventory**

Fleet Emissions Inventory Calculate Intercity's greenhouse gas (GhG) emissions for the baseline fleet, future fleet, and historic fleet (beginning with 2010). Fixed route, paratransit, vanpool, and non-revenue fleets will be included.

• Develop a tool for Intercity to calculate GhG emissions in future years.



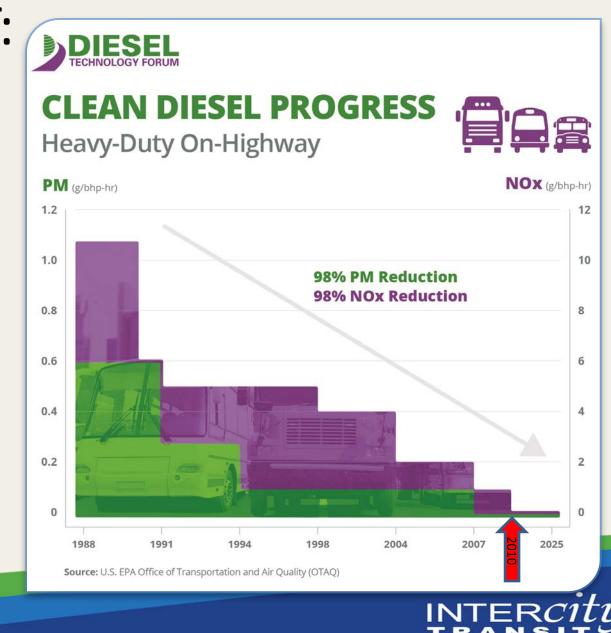


# ACTIONS AND IMPACT:

### **Emissions Reductions:**

### FLEET REFRESH – CLEAN DIESELS

 Q2 2022 – removed last of pre-2010 diesel buses from our fleet



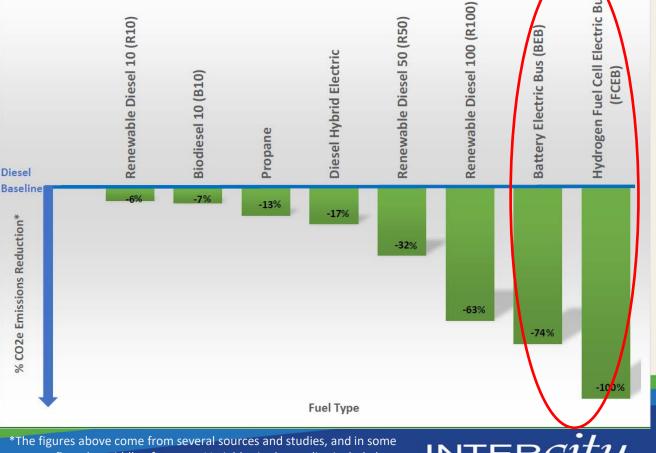
# **ACTIONS AND IMPACT:**

### **Fuel Choice Reductions:**

- **EMISSION REDUCTION CHOICES** 
  - 2006-2010: Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel phased in by US EPA (suppliers mandate)
  - **2008**: Began using Biodiesel blend (B10)
  - 2010-2014: Purchased 23 hybrid buses
  - 2018: Introduced Propane DAL vehicles
  - **2020**: Began using Renewable Diesel blend (R10)
  - Late 2021: Increase Renewable Diesel blend (R50)
  - **2023:** transition to R99/R100

Both Zero tailpipe emissions, but lifecycle depends on production process and grid composition

#### Life Cycle Emissions of Alternative Fuels Compared to Diesel



cases, reflect the middle of a range. Variables in the studies include bus size, location, and operation, as well as the source of fuel feedstock and electricity generation (e.g., power grid mix).

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## ACTIONS AND IMPACT:

We have made significant progress in emissions reduction through our lifecycle replacements and fuel choices.

Vehicle Replacements (arriving soon)

- 12 Toyota Sienna Hybrids Vanpool
- 2 Chevrolet Bolt EV Staff cars

### **Fuel Choices**

• 2023 - Transition to R99 (Renewable Diesel)



### NEXT STEPS

- STAY FOCUSED ON OUR PRIORITIES
  - Provide transit services focused on community needs, not technology
  - Consider full lifecycle emissions of all solutions (well-to-wheels)
- STAY INVOLVED AND CONTINUE TO LEARN
  - Staff regularly participates in the following, plus others:
    - WSU Green Transportation Program
    - The Consortium for Hydrogen And Renewably Generated E-Fuels (CHARGE)
    - RHA Renewable hydrogen Alliance
    - PNWH2 PNW Hydrogen Hub Association
    - Zero Emissions Bus Resource Alliance (ZEBRA)
    - APTA Zero Emission Fleet Committee
  - Outreach and communication with many transit agencies across the United States for lessons learned in ZEB deployment
  - Monitor State and Federal grant programs for future ZEB Projects
  - Continued partnerships: PSE, Port of Olympia, multiple suppliers (vehicles and infrastructure)



# **QUESTIONS?**



### Definitions:

- BEB/BEV Battery Electric Bus or Vehicle
- DAL Intercity Transit Dial-A-lift vehicle used for paratransit services
- FCEB Fuel Cell Electric Bus uses an onboard hydrogen fuel cell to generate electrical energy
- NOx Oxides of Nitrogen a greenhouse gas related to vehicle emissions
- PM Particulate Matter particles of solids or liquids contained in vehicle exhaust (soot, smoke, etc.)

