

Final Adoption

September 2025 Service Change Summary & Equity Analysis



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Presented to the Intercity Transit Authority on August 6, 2025

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[Updated] *Transit Development Plan 2025 - 2030*

Element 1: Plan Adoption

Element 2: Description of service area

Element 3: Comparison of Goals

Element 4: Local performance measures

Element 5: Plan consistency

Element 6: Planned capital expenses (CIP)

Element 7: Planned operating changes

Element 8: Multiyear financial plan

Element 9: Projects of significance (TIP)

January 2025

- ✓ Introduced the Route 14 in downtown Olympia



May 2025

- ✓ Extended span and frequency on many routes



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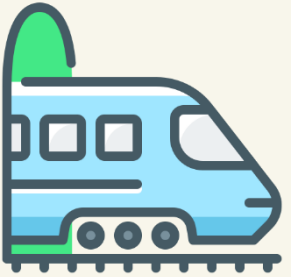
- ☐ Enhanced Commuter service to Pierce County
- ☐ New access to Madigan Gate at JBLM via Pierce Transit



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Enhanced Commuter service to Pierce County

❑ Replace the Route 620 with two new commuter routes



1. Direct service to Lakewood

Route 600 – Lakewood Commuter

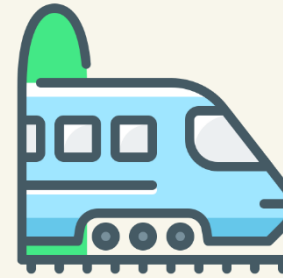


2. New connection to JBLM at Berkeley St.

Route 610 – Lacey Connector

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Route 600

Lakewood Commuter



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Route 620

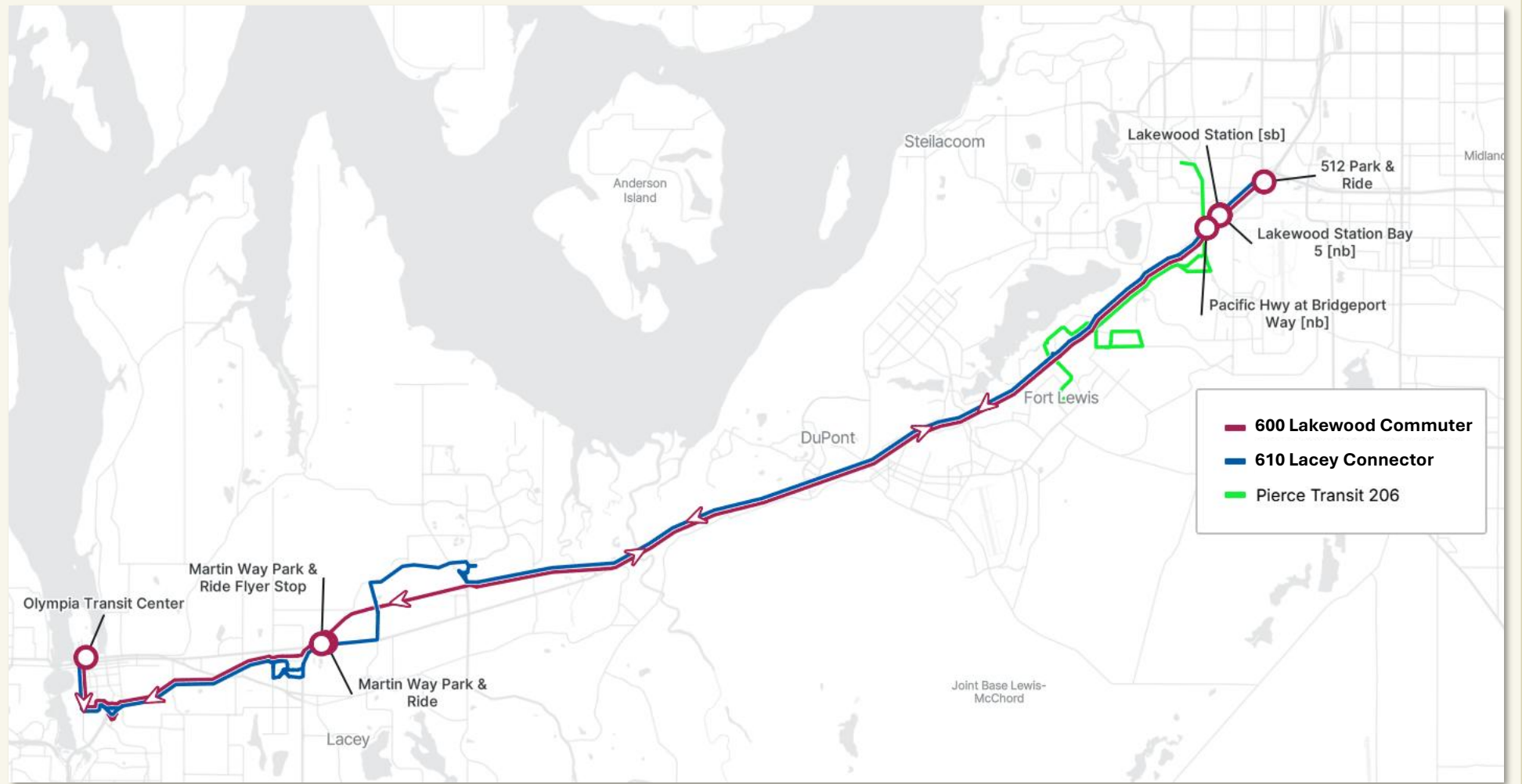
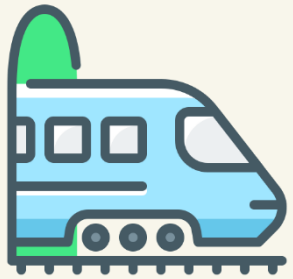
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	Route 620 <i>to be replaced</i>	Route 600 <i>Lakewood Commuter</i>	Route 610 <i>Lacey Connector</i>
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Lacey Transit Center	✓	---	✓
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Lakewood [Sounder] Station	✓	✓	✓
SR 512 Park & Ride	✓	✓	✓
Weekend Service	✓	---	✓



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[Draft] *Service Change Summary – Sept. 2025*

Comments Received

Zero formal comments prior to the Public Hearing on July 16th

- Announced an extension through August 6th

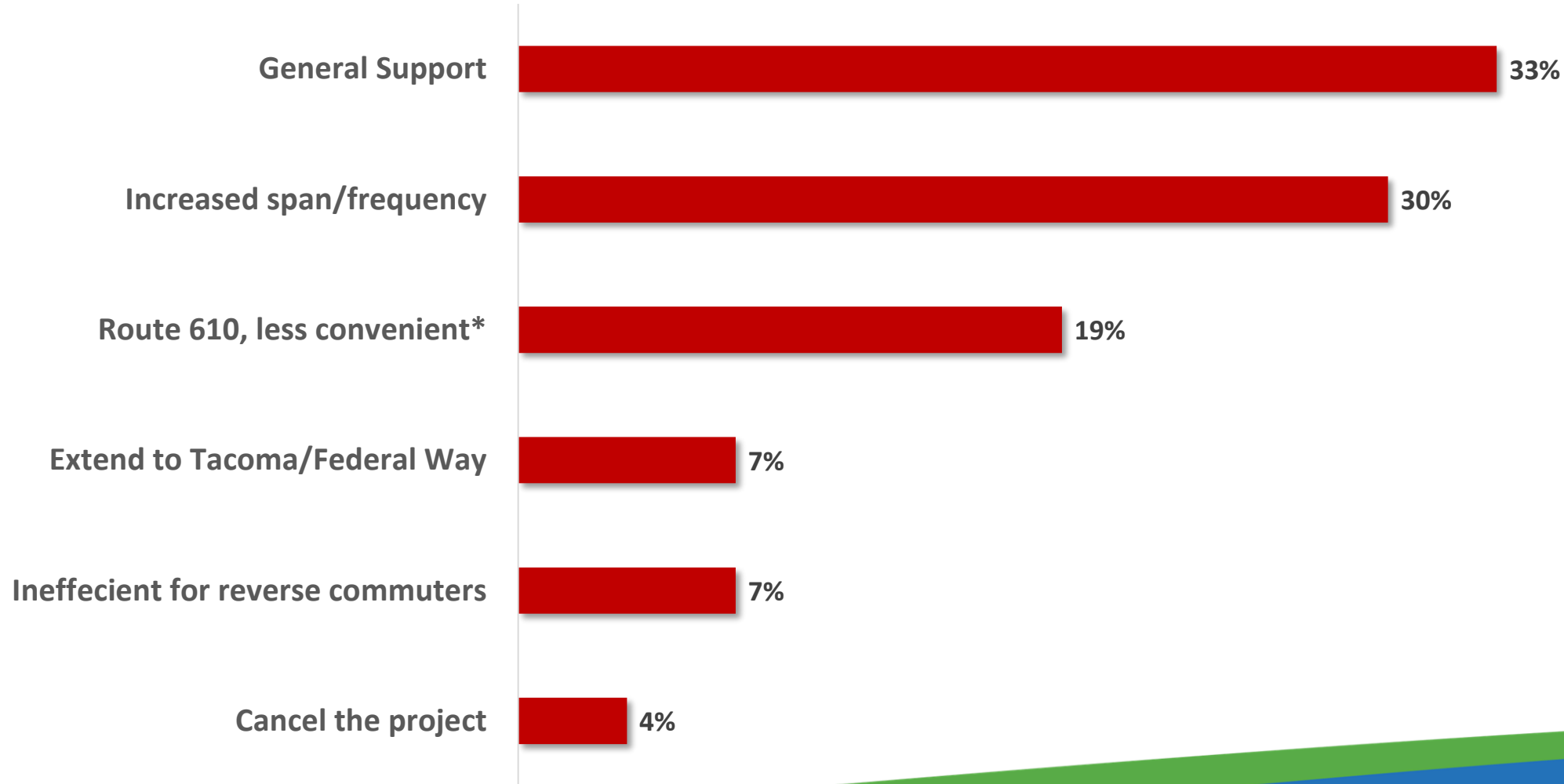
19 new comments since July 16th



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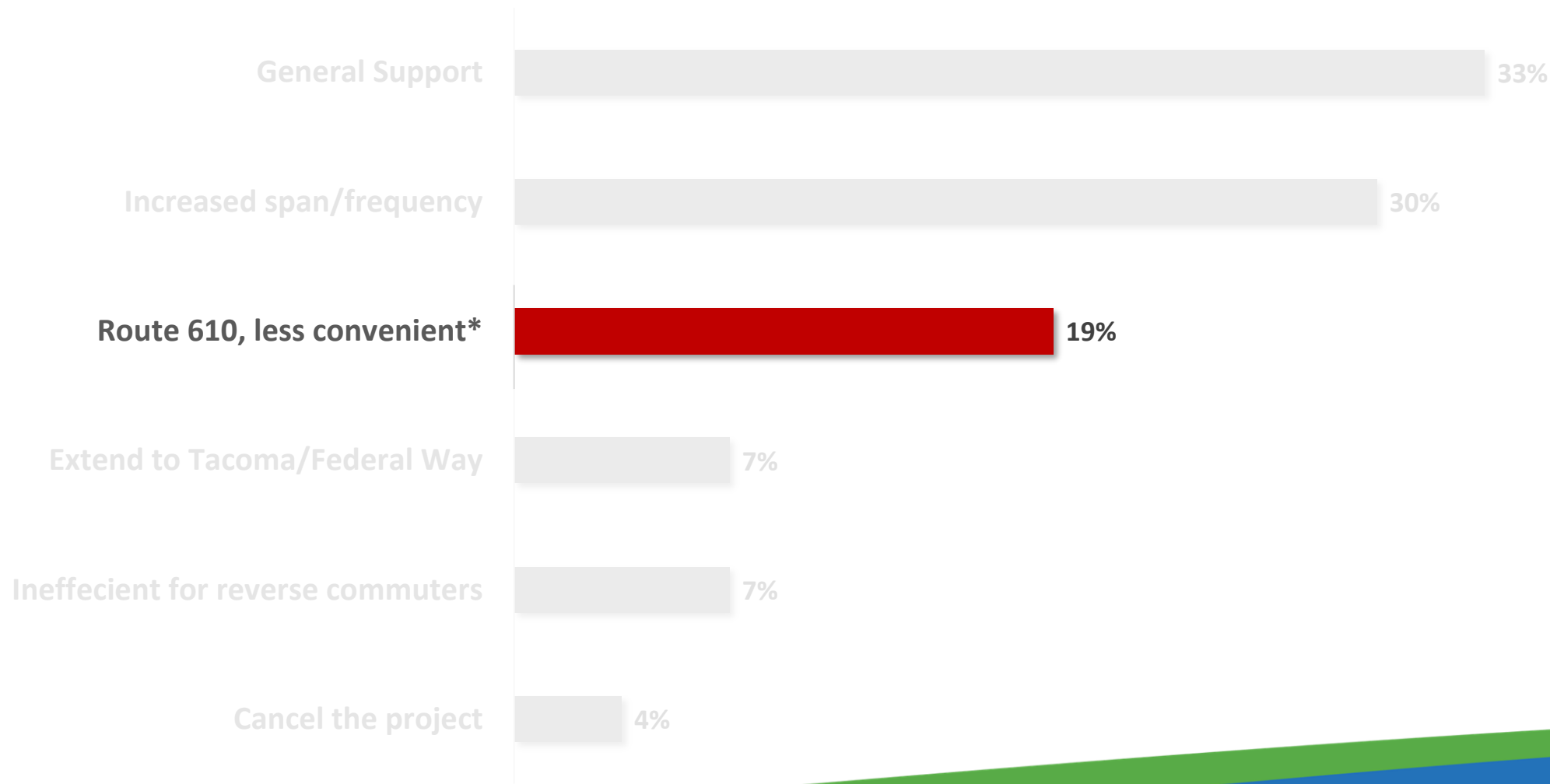
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**Route 610, Less Convenient*

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System Redesign – Phase 2 of 3

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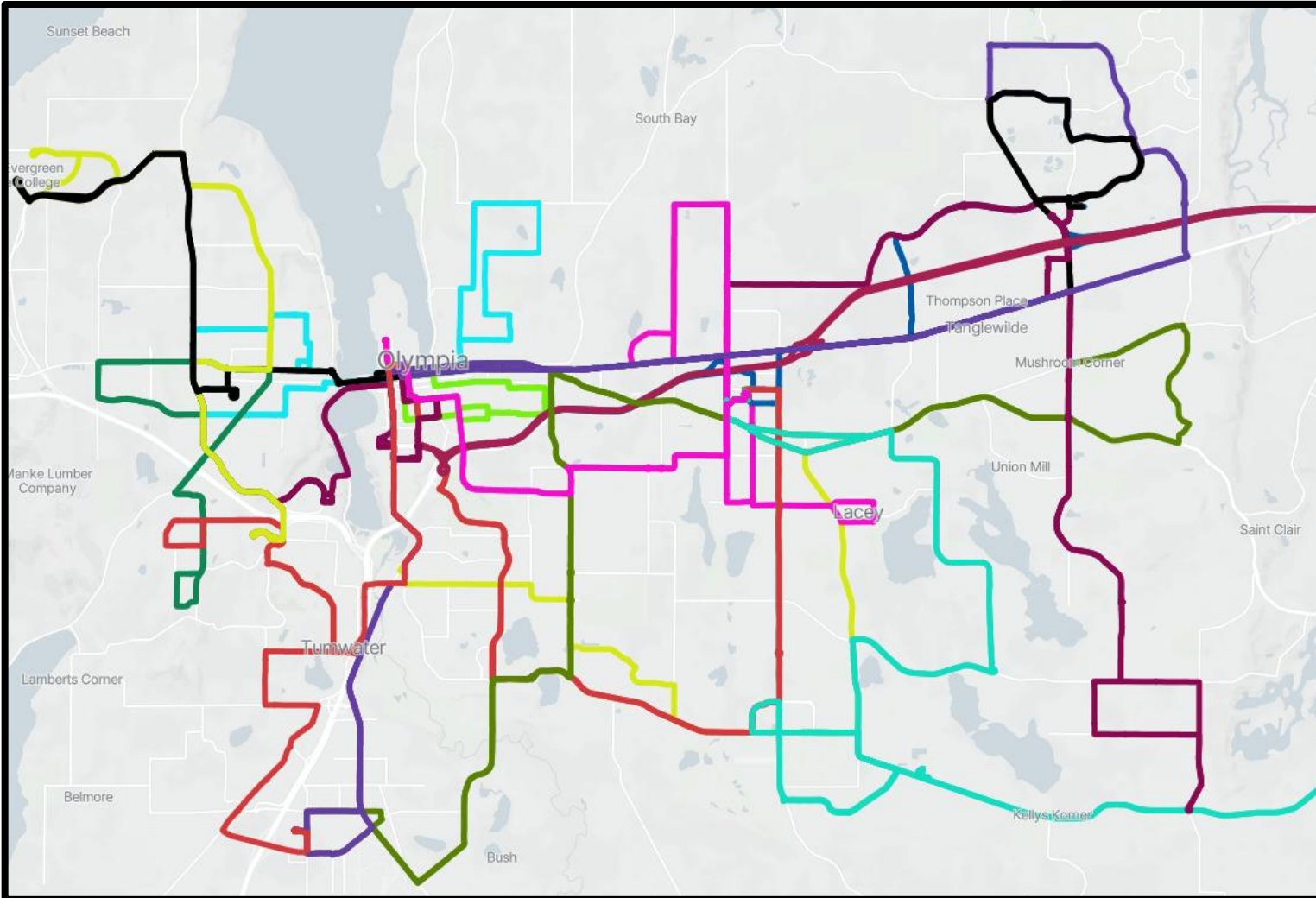
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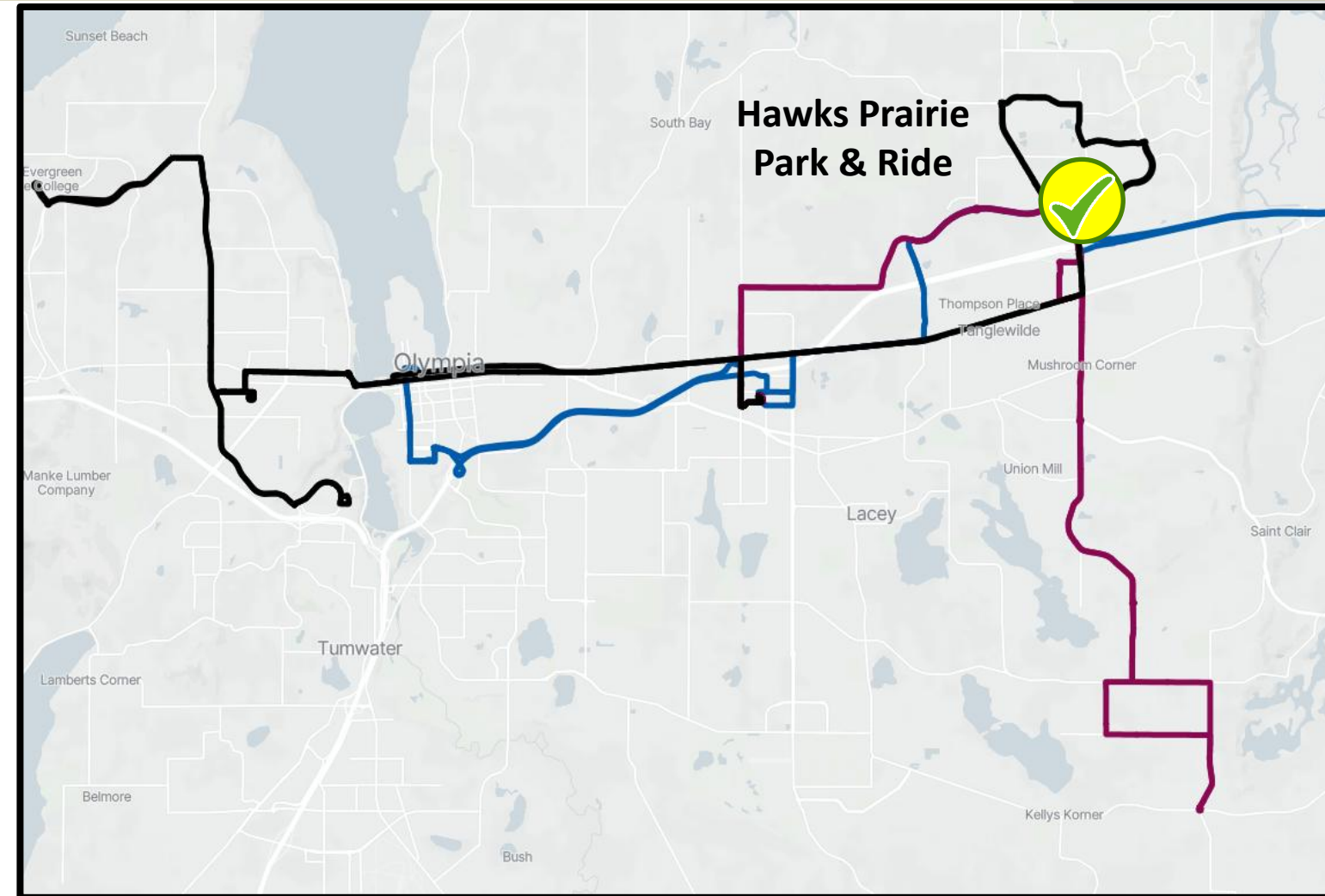
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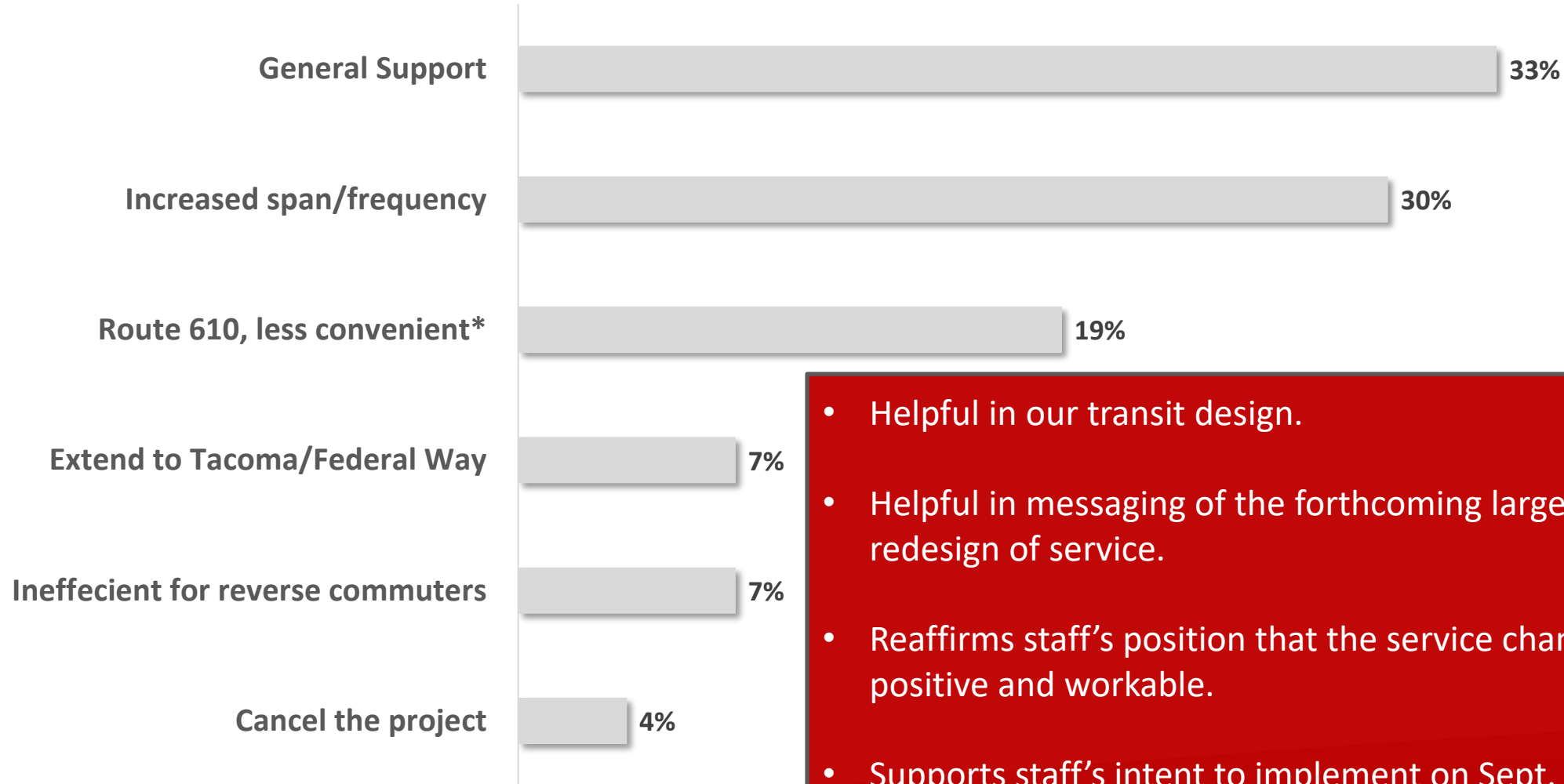


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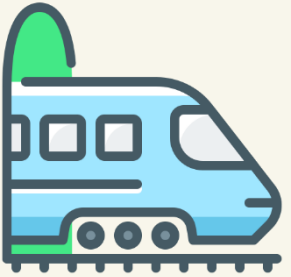
- Helpful in our transit design.
- Helpful in messaging of the forthcoming larger comprehensive redesign of service.
- Reaffirms staff's position that the service changes are generally positive and workable.
- Supports staff's intent to implement on Sept. 7th 2025.

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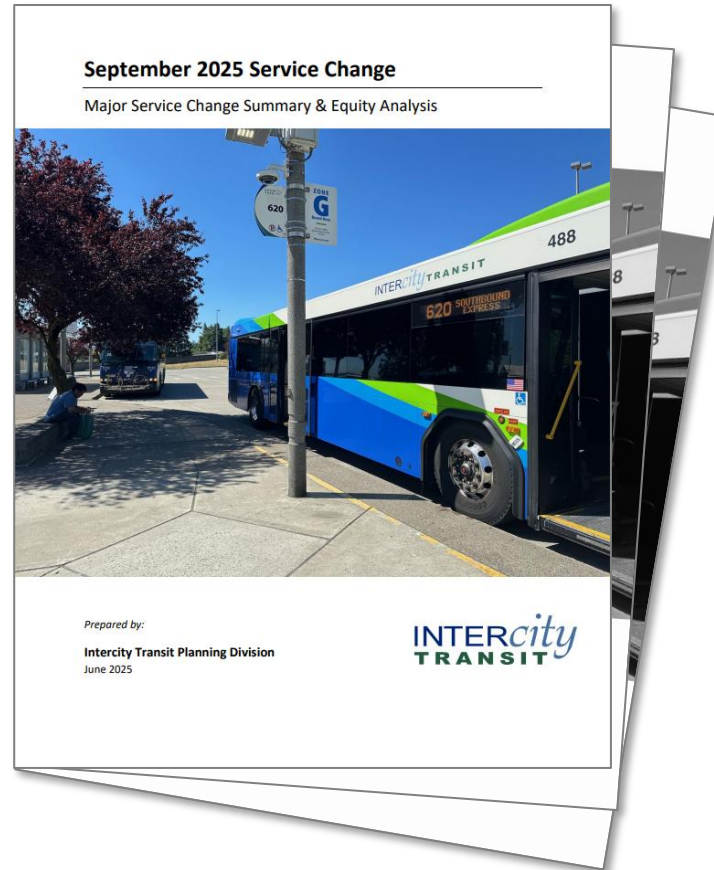
Next Steps:

- ☐ Execute Grant Agreement with WSDOT
- ✓ Complete a DRAFT Service Change Summary
- ✓ Present to the ITA & CAC, set a public hearing
- ✓ Public Hearing
- ✓ Continue comment period to August 6th
- ☐ **ITA adoption of Summary & Analysis**
- ☐ Implement – Sunday, September 7th



Staff Recommendation

Adoption of the September 2025 Service Change Summary & Equity Analysis, as presented



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