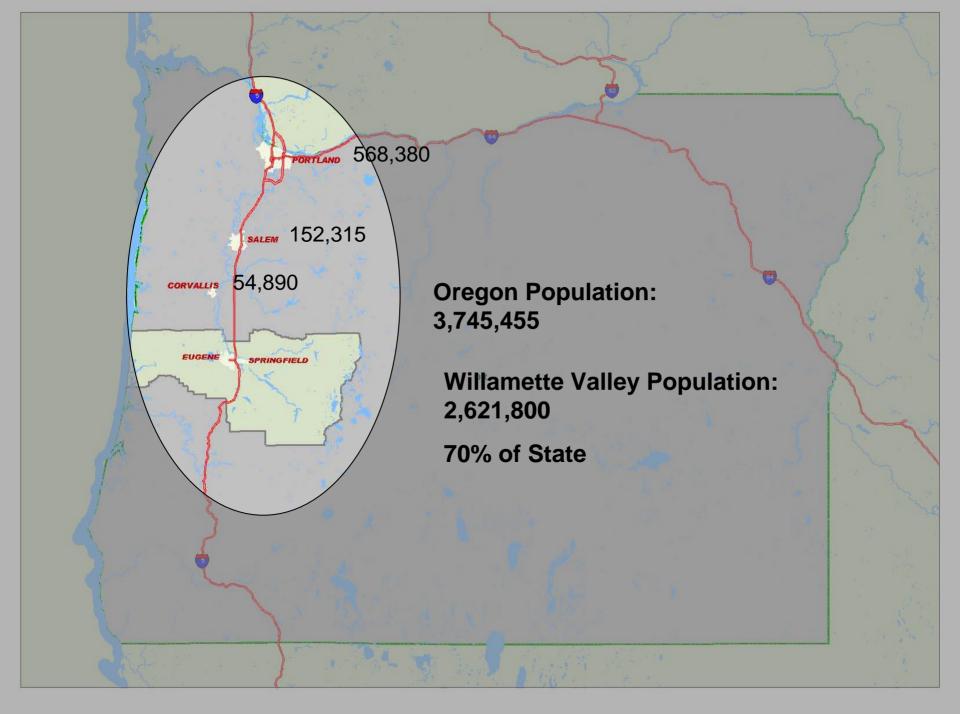
Lane Transit District's EmX Project

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Presentation Outline

- EmX Project Background
- Franklin EmX Corridor
- EmX Experience
- Further Corridors
- Future Enhancements





BRT Decision Process

Need for improved transit service

- Increased congestion
- Community desire for higher quality transit
- State and local mandates
- Options considered
 - Enhanced conventional service
 - Light rail/streetcars
 - BRT
- BRT selected as preferred transit strategy as part of Regional Transportation Plan

"Like" Rail rather than Light Rail

BRT Objectives

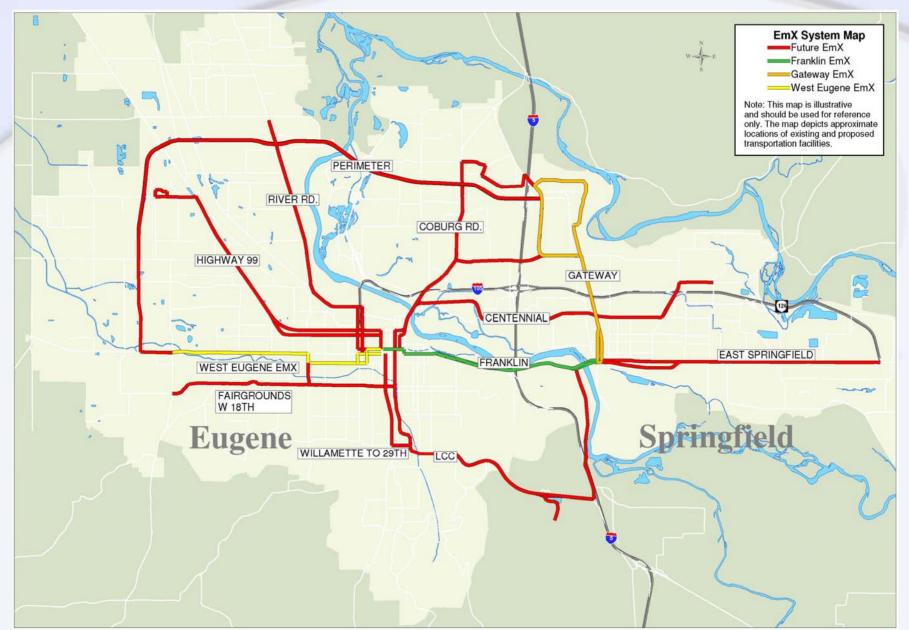
- Create system for the future
 - As much exclusive lane as possible
- Create rail-like image
 - Unique name and identity
 - High quality stations
 - Attractive vehicle
- Ease of use
 - Straight-forward routing
 - High frequency (10 minutes)



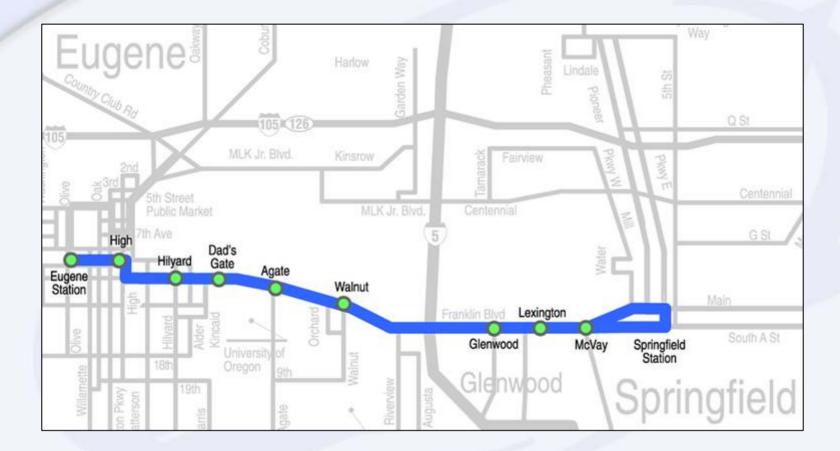
LTD's EmX System

Element	Included	Planned
Exclusive transitways	\checkmark	
Transit Signal Priority	\checkmark	
Wider Stop Spacing	\checkmark	
Near-Level Boarding	\checkmark	
Eliminate On-Board Fare Collection	\checkmark	
Improved Stops and Stations	\checkmark	
Real-Time Passenger Information	100	\checkmark
Unique Vehicle Design	\checkmark	
Precision Docking	1	\checkmark
Lane-Keeping System		\checkmark
Unique Identity	✓	1.17

EmX System Map



Franklin EmX Corridor



Project Objectives

- Be competitive with autos
- No increase in auto travel times
- No impact to street trees
- Minimize displacements
- Enhance pedestrian/bicycle facilities
- Enhance corridor and improve landscaping
- Gain approval from all jurisdictions
- 100% Exclusive right-of-way





1996	
1997-1999	
2000	
2001	
2002-2003	
2004	4
2006	4
January 2007	

BRT Concept Developed/TAC formed BRT Steering Committee/MIS/Outreach Draft Environmental Assessment Final EA/Local Approval & Engineering Vehicle selection Groundbreaking/Construction begins Vehicle delivery/Operator Training Open for Service

Franklin EmX Key Dates

Corridor Design Process

- Divide corridor up
- Develop "seed" ideas
- Meet with every property owner/occupant
- Hold design charettes
- Open houses



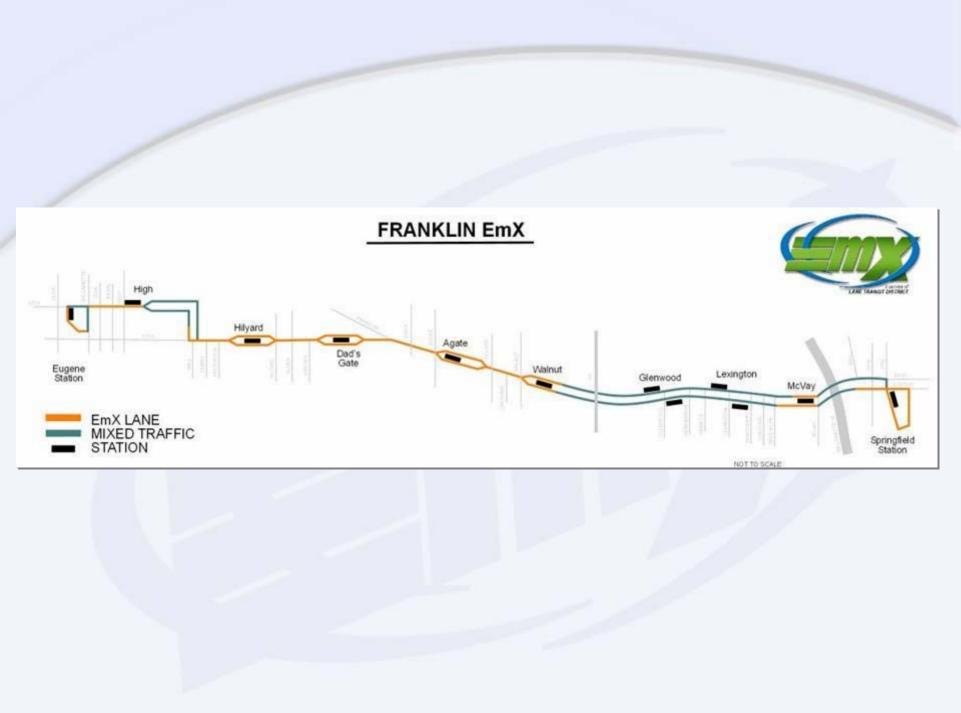
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Franklin EmX

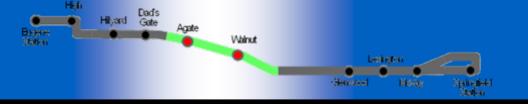
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Dads' Gates Station

Lane Transit District

- Four-mile corridor & eight stations
- 15.5-minute travel time (projected 16-minutes)
- \$6 Million per mile (typical LRT is \$50 M per mile)
- 80% federal discretionary funds
- 25% of EmX riders are new transit users
- Free fare on route (applies to 9% of riders)
- Lower operating costs per rider than regular bus

Roadwork



Franklin Segment



Runningway Configurations

- Median, One-way lane curb separated
- Median, Bi-directional lane curb separated
- Median, Bi-directional -- no barrier
- Curb side, Bi-directional –no barrier
- Curb side, One-way lane no barrier
- Mixed traffic operation

Curbed Transit Lanes

Lane Trans

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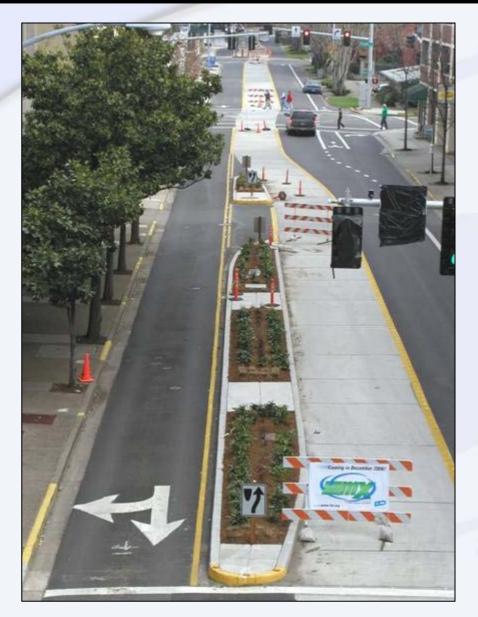
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Lane Transit District Ú TURN ONLY PERMITTED ALL Traffic Signal **Priority**

EmX Stations









Curb-side Stations

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Single-sided median Station

Lane Transit District

Station approach angle critical for docking

Lane Tra





- 63-foot articulated bus
- Domestic manufacturer
- Hybrid-electric propulsion
- Doors on left and right side
- Bikes on board





Rear-Facing Wheelchair Bay

Lane Transit District

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Lane Transit Detrict **Real Time** Passenger Information

Shared lane at intersection

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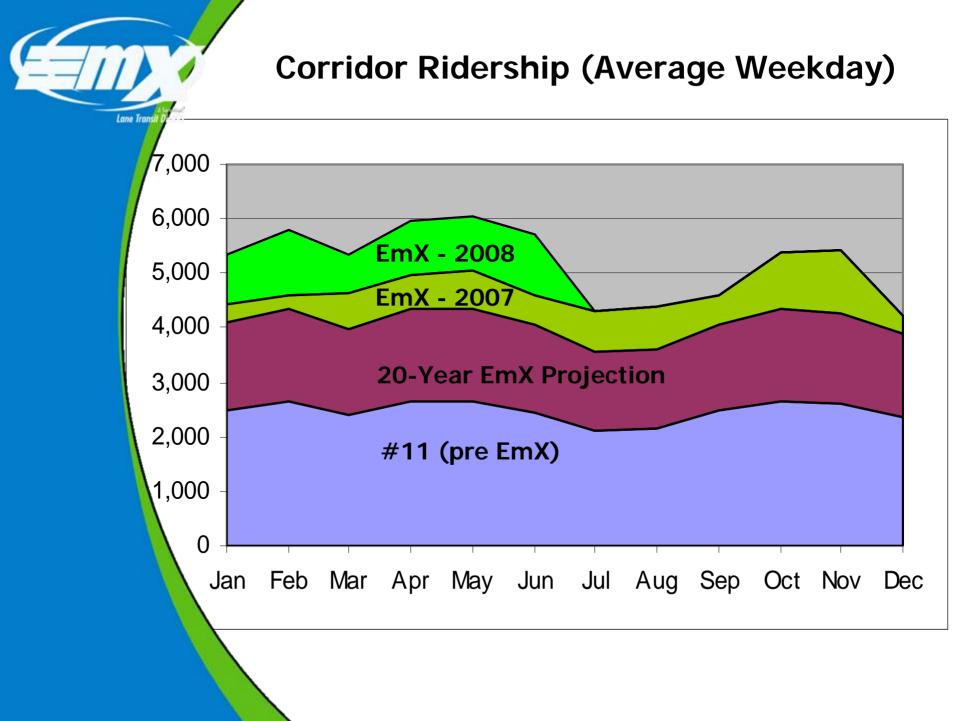
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Agate Station Video



Operations

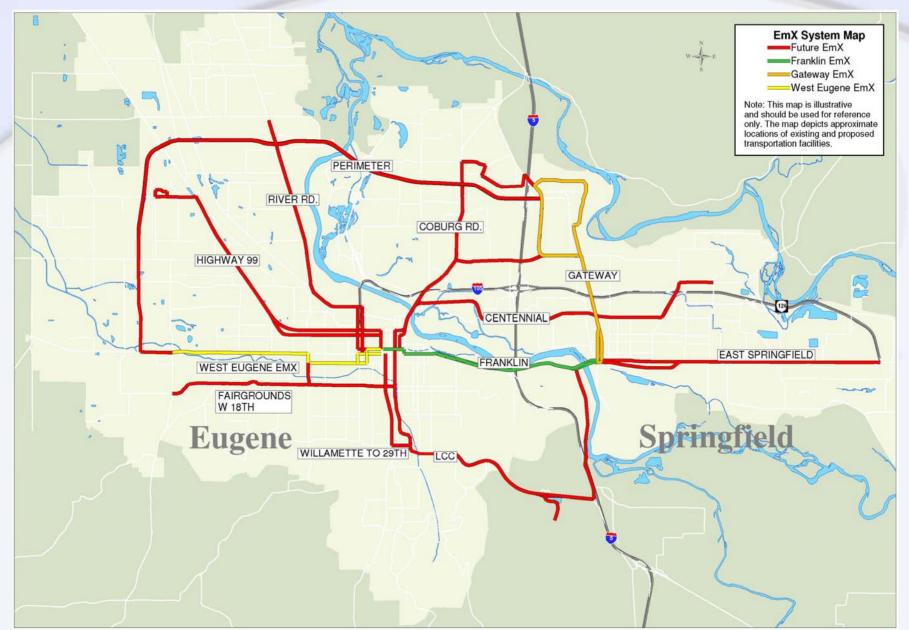
- Opened January 2007
- Ridership increasing
- Bicycle accommodation
- Wheel chair bay availability / preference
- Customer satisfaction high



Operations (Continued)

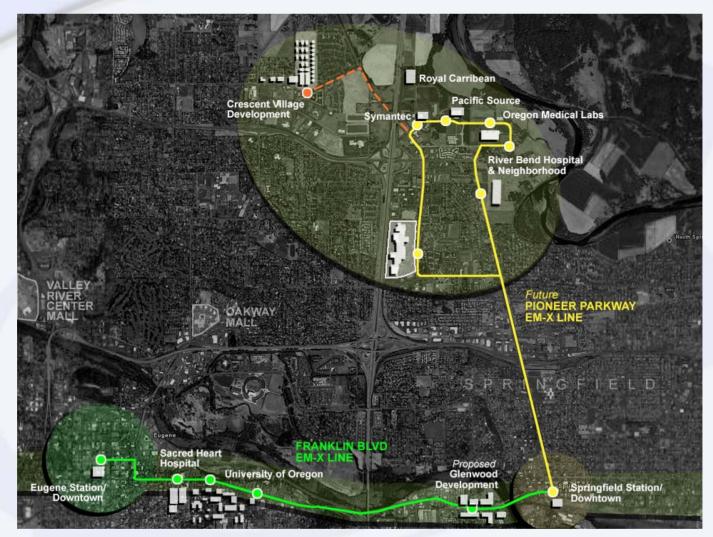
- Vehicle issues
- Driver variability
- Operational changes
- Crashes
- Traffic signal limitations
- Single vs dual EmX lanes
- Community attitude

EmX System Map





Gateway EmX Corridor



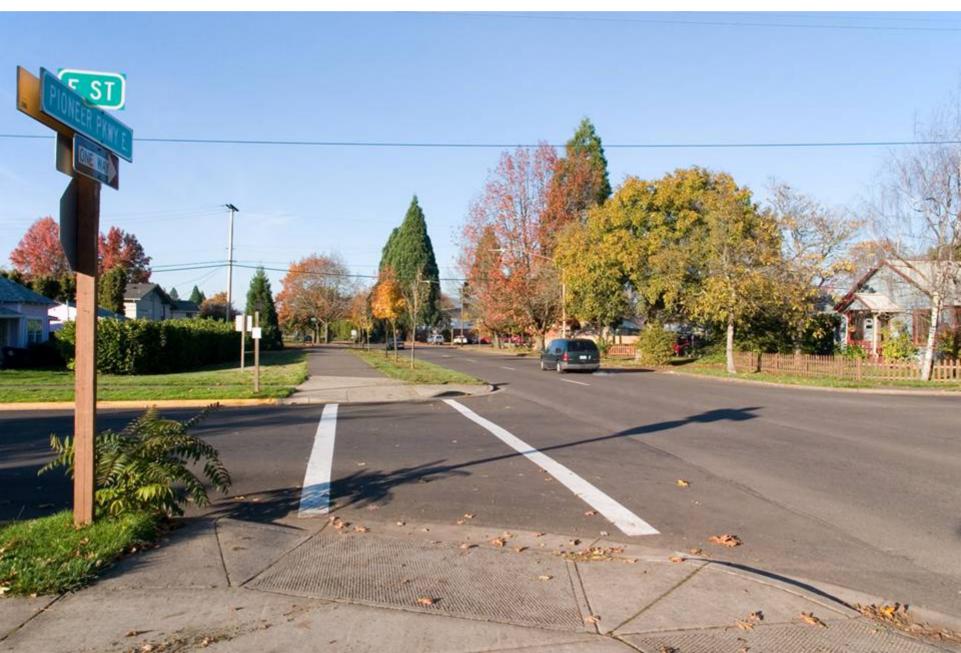
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2001 2001- ongoing Spring 2006 Fall 2006 October 2007 Winter 2008 Spring 2009 Fall 2010 Corridor Selection Public Outreach LPA Approval Completed EA/ Public Review 95% Final Design Complete Submit for Construction Permits Start Construction Open for Service

Gateway EmX Key Dates

Pioneer Parkway East (existing)



Pioneer Parkway East (with transit lane)



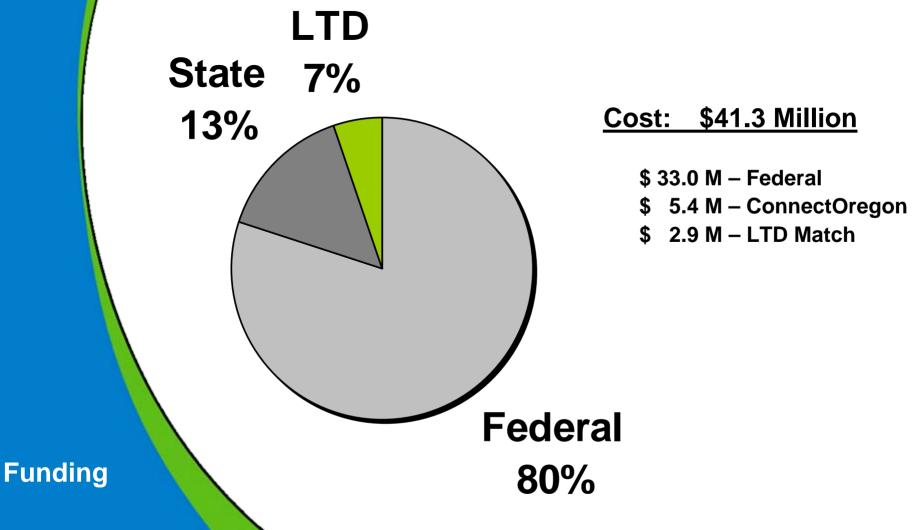
Pioneer Parkway (existing)



Pioneer Parkway (with transit lanes)







Third EmX Corridor



West Eugene EmX

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- Third EmX corridor
- Incorporated into broader transportation study of west Eugene
- Preparing DEIS
- Planned service start 2015

Vehicle Assist and Automation *Lane Keeping Precision Docking*

Lane Trans

Mechanical



Optical



Magnetic



Magnetic Guidance



Conclusions

Proof of Concept

Mode less important

 Corridor ridership rather than community size

