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Customer Satisfaction Advisory Committee

Rapid Update

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Project Timeline

Groundbreaking on 800 & 837 lines

Begin initial service levels

Nov. 2023 2026

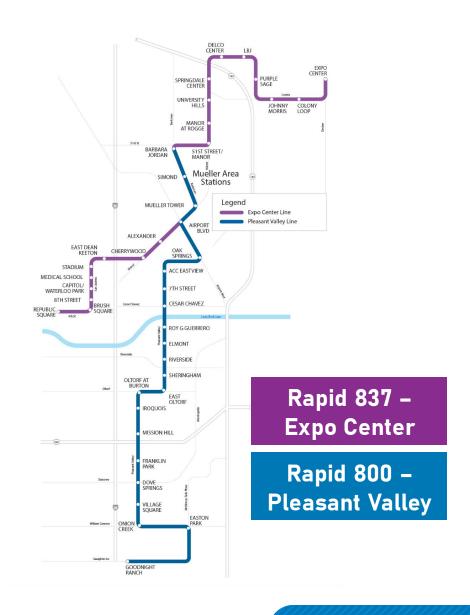
Oct. 2021 23 Feb. 2025

Shelter installation for all 80 Rapid stations begins

Launch full vision of new Rapid lines

New CapMetro Rapid Service

- \$65.60 million grant via FTA's Small Starts Program (~60% Federal Share)
- New transit connections, particularly in east Austin
- Introductory service begin Spring 2025 with available resources and infrastructure
- Full service programmed to be implemented in 2026



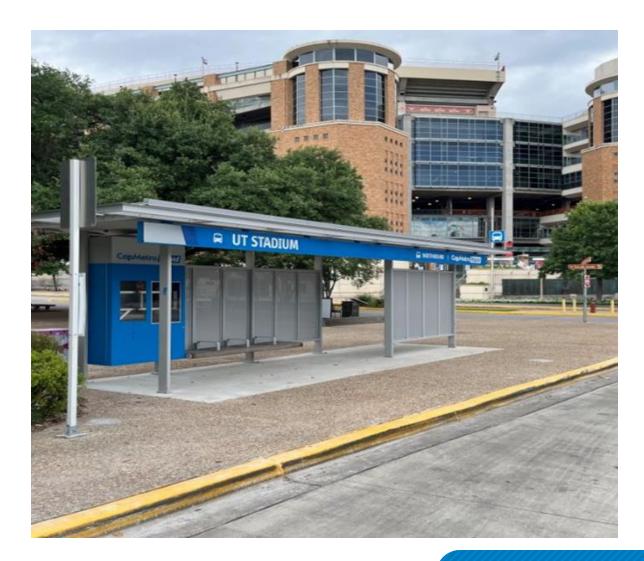
Rapid 800 and 837 Initial Service Levels

	Span	Daytime Frequency	Late Night Frequency
Weekdays	5:00am – 12:30am	5:00am – 10:00pm	10:00pm – 12:30am
		20 minutes	30 minutes
Saturdays	6:00am -12:00am	6:00am – 8:00pm	8:00pm – 12:00am
		20 minutes	30 minutes
Sundays	6:00am -11:30pm	6:00am – 7:00pm	7:00pm – 11:30pm
		20 minutes	30 minutes

The full vision is anticipated in 2026, with the goal of providing 10-15-minute frequency on weekdays, new Park & Rides, and zero-emission vehicles on the lines.

Rapid 800 and 837 Initial Service

- Stations Under Construction
 - Adding ~80 stations
 - All unfinished Rapid Stations will have a temporary or existing local stop
 - Stations are currently under construction and opening as completed
- Essential amenities being installed as Rapid stations constructed:
 - Shelters
 - Benches



Rapid Construction Updates

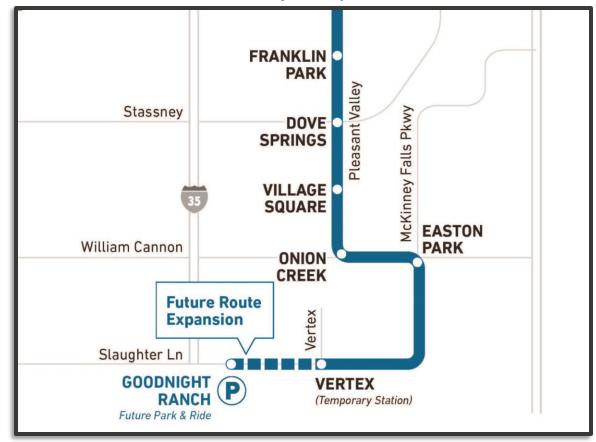
- All bus stops or temporary stops are open on both lines
- 38 shelters installed with 41 to go with goal date of end of 2025
- In process of securing permitting for electrical construction
- 62 locations have the flatwork completed- i.e. bike lanes, shared spaces, etc.
- For stop construction updates: <u>https://www.capmetro.org/rapid2025</u>

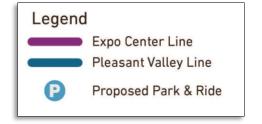


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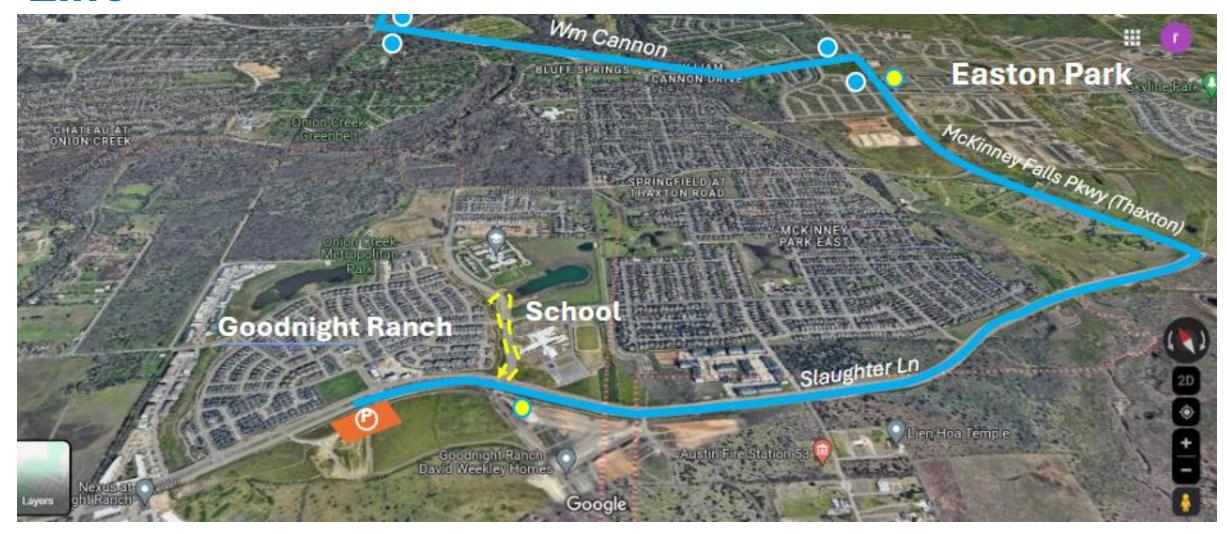
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- Strategic use of battery electric buses (BEBs)
- Park and Ride construction is ongoing
 - Expo Center- 140 spaces
 - Goodnight Ranch 65 spaces
 - Will include end-of-line charging

Route 800 Temporary End-of-Line





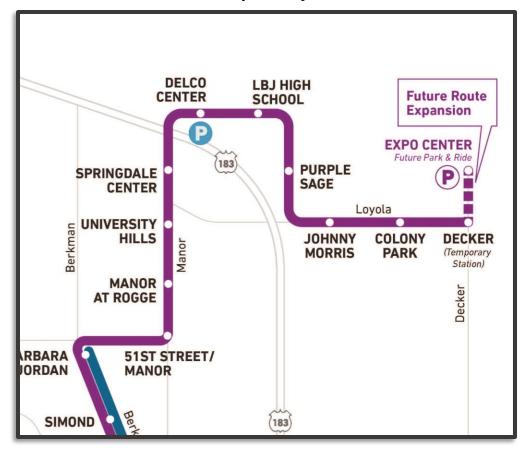
Rapid 800 Pleasant Valley Temporary End-of-Line



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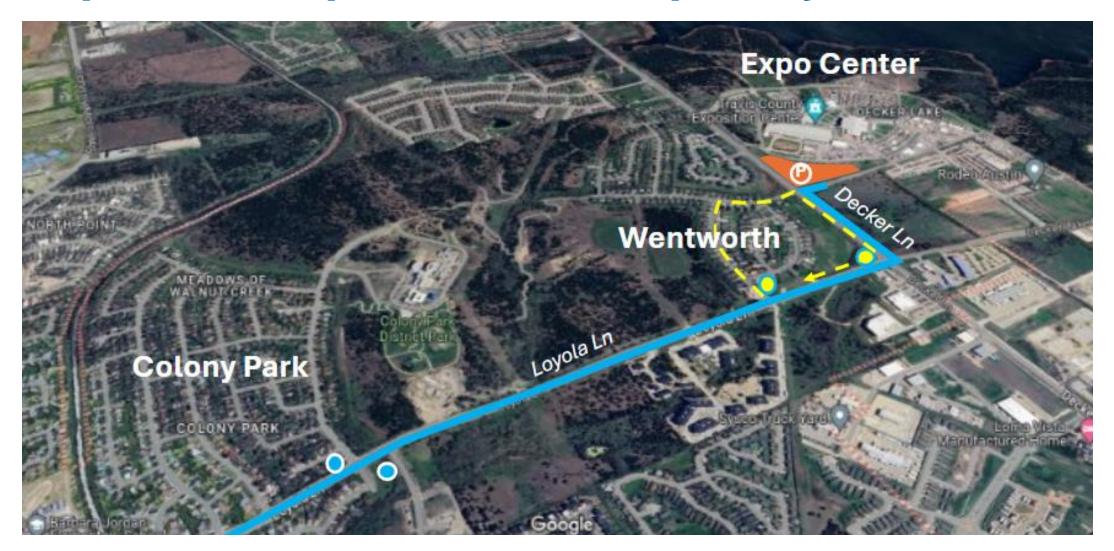
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Route 837 Temporary End-of-Line





Rapid 837 Expo Center Temporary End-of-Line



Park & Ride and End of Line Charging Station Update

- Expo Center- construction is underway with completion goal of 2026
- Good Night Ranch- final steps of permitting process with completion goal of 2026



Rapid Engagement

Phase 1 Project Connect Engagement

- 2019-2021
- Virtual Public Meetings
 - With Live Q&A and Survey
- Meetings with Stakeholders and Advisory Groups
- Various Updates and Notifications
 - Monthly eNewsletters
 - Social media and digital engagement
 - Tabling at community events
 - Direct feedback email, project hotline, and in-person Project Connect Office

Phase 2 Spring 2025 Service Change

- August 12- September 11, 2024
- Service Change Website with Comment Box
- At-Stop Signage
- In-Person and Virtual Public Meetings
- Emails and Presentations to Stakeholder Groups
- Advisory Committees
- Operator Engagement
- On-Board Brochures
- CapMetro Alerts Text Messages
- Social Media Posts
- Public Hearing

Phase 3 Implementation

- Anticipated Spring 2025
- CapMetro Text Alerts
- Targeted social media campaign
- Advisory Committees
- At-stop signage and outreach
- Blockwalking
- Community Rides
- Emails and Presentations to Stakeholder Groups

Community Engagement for CapMetro Rapid

- 336 hours of at-stop outreach
- Block walking in 10 high traffic areas along both lines
- Two community ride-alongs coming in Spring 2025



Committee Meet & Greet

Facilitated by Staff Liaison



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Thank you!