

Calgary Metropolitan Region Board
Land Use & Servicing Committee Meeting
Agenda – May 7, 2020, 9:30 AM
Go-To Meeting/Call-In

The purpose of this meeting is to convene, discuss and make decisions regarding recommendations to be made to the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board.

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| 1. Call to Order & Opening Remarks | Sheard | |
| 2. Adoption of Agenda
For Decision: Motion to adopt and/or revise the agenda | All | |
| 3. Review and Approve Minutes (Attachment)
For Decision: Motion that the Committee review and approve the Minutes of the April 2, 2020 meeting | All | 3 |
| 4. South & East Calgary Regional Transportation Study (Attachments)
For Decision: Motion that the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study; and

For Decision: Motion that the Committee recommend that the Board share the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study with the Minister of Transportation and senior leadership at Alberta Transportation | Merali(TransCan) | 6 |
| 5. Integration of North and South & East Transportation Studies (Attachments)
For Decision: Motion that the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the Integration Memo of the North Calgary Regional Transportation Study and the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study

For Decision: Motion that the Committee recommend that the Board share the integration technical memo with the Minister of Transportation and senior leadership at Alberta Transportation | Merali(TransCan) | 27 |
| 6. Growth & Servicing Plan Project Update (Verbal)
For Information: Motion that the Committee receive for information an update on the progress of the Growth & Servicing Plan | HDRC | 45 |
| 7. Draft Recreation Policy (Attachment)
For Decision: Motion that the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the Draft Recreation Policy for the Growth and Servicing Plan | Graves/HDRC | 46 |

8. Policy Discussion-Agricultural Lands (Attachment) HDRC **49**
For Discussion: *That the Committee discuss policy issues and questions around agricultural lands*
9. Next Meeting: Thursday June 11, 2020
10. Adjournment Sheard

Committee Members:

Mayor Peter Brown (Airdrie)	Mayor Craig Snodgrass (High River)
Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra (Calgary)	Mayor Bill Robertson (Okotoks) <i>Vice Chair</i>
Mayor Marshall Chalmers (Chestermere)	Reeve Greg Boehlke (Rocky View)
Mayor Jeff Genung (Cochrane)	Councillor Tom Ikert (Wheatland)
Reeve Suzanne Oel (Foothills) <i>Vice Chair</i>	Councillor Bob Sobol (Strathmore)
Councillor Don Moore (High River)	
Councillor Tara McFadden (Cochrane)	
Mayor Pat Fule (Strathmore)	
Deputy Reeve Scott Klassen (Wheatland)	

Christopher Sheard, Committee Chair
 Dale Beesley, GOA Representative

Upcoming Meetings:

Land Use & Servicing Committee	Thursday June 11 - 9:30 AM	GoTo Meeting
Board Meetings	Friday May 22 – 9:30 AM	GoTo Meeting
Governance Committee	Thursday May 14 – 9:30 AM	GoTo Meeting
Advocacy Committee	TBD	

Delegates in Attendance:

Mayor Peter Brown – City of Airdrie
Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra – City of Calgary
Mayor Marshall Chalmers – City of Chestermere
Mayor Jeff Genung – Town of Cochrane
Reeve Suzanne Oel – Foothills County (Vice Chair)
Mayor Bill Robertson – Town of Okotoks (Vice Chair)
Reeve Greg Boehlke – Rocky View County
Mayor Pat Fule – Town of Strathmore
Councillor Bob Sobol – Town of Strathmore
Deputy Reeve Scott Klassen – Wheatland County

CMRB Administration:

Christopher Sheard, Chair
Liisa Tipman, Project Manager–Land Use
Jaime Graves, Project Manager-Intermunicipal Servicing
JP Leclair, GIS Analyst
Shelley Armeneau, Office Manager

1. Call to Order

Called to order at 9:32 AM.

2. Approval of Agenda

Rocky View County asked to add an item to the Agenda and made the following motion:

Moved by Reeve Boehlke, **Seconded by** Reeve Oel, accepted by Chair

Motion: That the Committee approve the agenda adding item 3.1 Motion brought forward by Rocky View County.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Review and Approve Joint LUC ISC Minutes

Moved by Mayor Brown, **Seconded by** Mayor Robertson, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Committee approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2020 joint meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

3.1 Motion from Rocky View County

Reeve Boehlke requested that a motion be added to the agenda relating to the current pandemic situation.

Moved by Reeve Boehlke, **Seconded by** Mayor Fule, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Committee request the CMRB Board to instruct CMRB Administration to request the Minister of Municipal Affairs to order all Calgary Metropolitan Region Board related activities, including the preparation of the Regional Growth and Servicing Plan, to cease until the Government of Alberta deems that the COVID 19 pandemic has passed and regular business and activity in Alberta can resume.

Motion fails.

4. Intermunicipal Service Delivery Models

Daina Young of RMRF LLP provided a presentation on intermunicipal service delivery in the CMR and answered questions.

Moved by Mayor Robertson, **Seconded by** Mayor Fule, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Committee receive for information and discussion a presentation regarding the intermunicipal service delivery models in Alberta.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Agriculture Background Report

Liisa Tipman, Amy Zaluski and Heather Hemingway presented the Agriculture Background Report to members. Reeve Oel requested that minor additions be made.

Moved by Councillor Carra, **Seconded by** Reeve Oel, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Committee recommend the Agriculture Background Report to the Board for approval, with the following changes:

- Page 58 of the agenda re definition of “agriculture”: The growing, raising, managing, transporting and/or sale of livestock, crops, foods, horticulture.
- Page 73 of the agenda re addition to the Foothills County list within Appendix B:
 - 4 “As is” items
 - Recently created an Agriculture Business district to facilitate growth in value added production and support services in the County.
 - Is home to Spruce Meadows and Millarville, High River, and Okotoks Agricultural Societies, which host many events, clinics and 4-H.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Phase 1 Report

Jordon Copping confirmed that the Phase 1 Report was coming forward for information and not decision as originally posted. The Chair noted that any comments or questions about the Phase 1 Report may be provided to CMRB Administration or Steve Power at HDR Calthorpe.

Councillor Carra left the meeting at 11:50 AM but indicated his approval of the Phase 1 Report for information before leaving.

Moved by Mayor Genung, **Seconded by** Mayor Brown, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Committee receive for information the HDR Calthorpe Phase 1 Report.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Growth & Servicing Plan Project Schedules and Policies

HDR Calthorpe discussed beginning the policy development process with Committee at the next meeting. Workshop #3 will be postponed until gathering in groups can recommence. The first round of engagement will now be online. An updated public engagement workplan will be coming to the next Board meeting. Charlie Hales provided a short review of policy areas to be discussed.

Moved by Reeve Oel, **Seconded by** Mayor Genung, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Committee receive for information an update on the development of Growth & Servicing Plan Policies.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Next Meeting: Thursday May 7, 2020

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:27 PM.

CMRB Chair, Christopher Sheard

Agenda Item	4
Submitted to	Land Use and Servicing Committee
Purpose	For Decision
Subject	South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study
Meeting Date	May 7, 2020
<p><i>Motion that the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study</i></p> <p><i>Motion that the Committee recommend that the Board share the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study with the Minister of Transportation and senior leadership at Alberta Transportation</i></p>	
<p>Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In September 2018 CMRB administration was authorized by ISC to develop a RFP, with support from the Transportation Technical Advisory Group, for a transportation study covering the remaining geographical portions of the Calgary Metropolitan Region (CMR). The study is referred to as the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study (S&ECRTS). • Through a competitive bid process, a consultant was selected to undertake the S&ECRTS. The successful consultant, ISL Engineering and Land Services (ISL) started in early 2019. • A total of ten (10) South and East Committee meetings were held over the course of the project. Member municipal administration representatives as well as Alberta Transportation's Southern Region Infrastructure Manager and Highway Planning Engineer from Edmonton actively participated in these project meetings. With this approach, the municipalities were updated throughout the project including live updates of ongoing technical studies. • The Executive Summary of the final report is attached. The report has been reviewed by representatives of all member municipalities in the study area and Alberta Transportation's technical team. • Following the adoption of the NCRTS in September 2019, the Board directed CMRB Administration to combine the NCRTS and S&ECRTS and summarize the results. The results of the combined studies are discussed in a separate agenda item of the May 2020 LUSC meeting. 	

Attachments

- Presentation – South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study, Aziz Merali – CMRB Transportation Subject Matter Expert
- Executive Summary, South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study (attachment available at link sent by email)

1. South & East Calgary Region Transportation Study (S&ECRTS)

The S&ECRTS was initiated by the CMRB through an open competitive request for proposal 2018-02 in October 2018. The successful consultant, ISL Engineering and Land Services, began in their work in January 2019 with technical support from Aziz Merali of TransCan Engineering, CMRB's Transportation Subject Matter Expert (SME).

S&ECRTS and the previously completed NCRTS (adopted by the Board in September 2019), were developed to identify and prioritize regionally significant transportation projects. The studies considered currently planned growth and existing growth conditions. As such, they inform the regional road network component of the Growth and Servicing Plan. The Growth and Servicing Plan is exploring alternative regional land use scenarios, which may influence future travel demand and thus transportation priorities. Regional transportation priorities will need to be re-evaluated over time to reflect the Board's growth priorities as established through the Growth and Servicing Plan.

1.1. Study Objectives

The study objectives were:

1. Using the NCRTS process as a guide, develop the interim and long term transportation network to support the planned growth in the south and east portion of the CMR over the next 10 and 20 years.
2. Design the study process such that the two transportation networks can be integrated
3. Develop a 2028 and 2039 Transportation Infrastructure Project Priorities list for the South & East portion of the Calgary Metropolitan Region (CMR).

2. Next Steps

The results of this study may be considered in the upcoming funding program review process in September 2020 and possibly sooner given the province's plans for economic stimulus. The relative ranking of proposed transportation projects will provide benefit to the CMR as a whole and should assist with expediting provincial funding commitments. Of note is that each of the projects listed are in varying stages of progress; some require land acquisition, some have progressed to the design phase and some may be 'shovel-ready'. The status of the projects may become a factor for

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provincial funding review and decision-making.

Consequently, the list is not meant to be construed as a consecutive list. Rather, it is a list of projects that are regionally significant and are expected to provide benefit to the CMR. It is understood that a similar collaborative approach continues to be successful in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region, where area municipalities have participated in common regional prioritization efforts for more than a decade.

3. Recommendation

That the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study; and

That the Committee recommend that the Board share the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study with the Minister of Transportation and senior leadership at Alberta Transportation



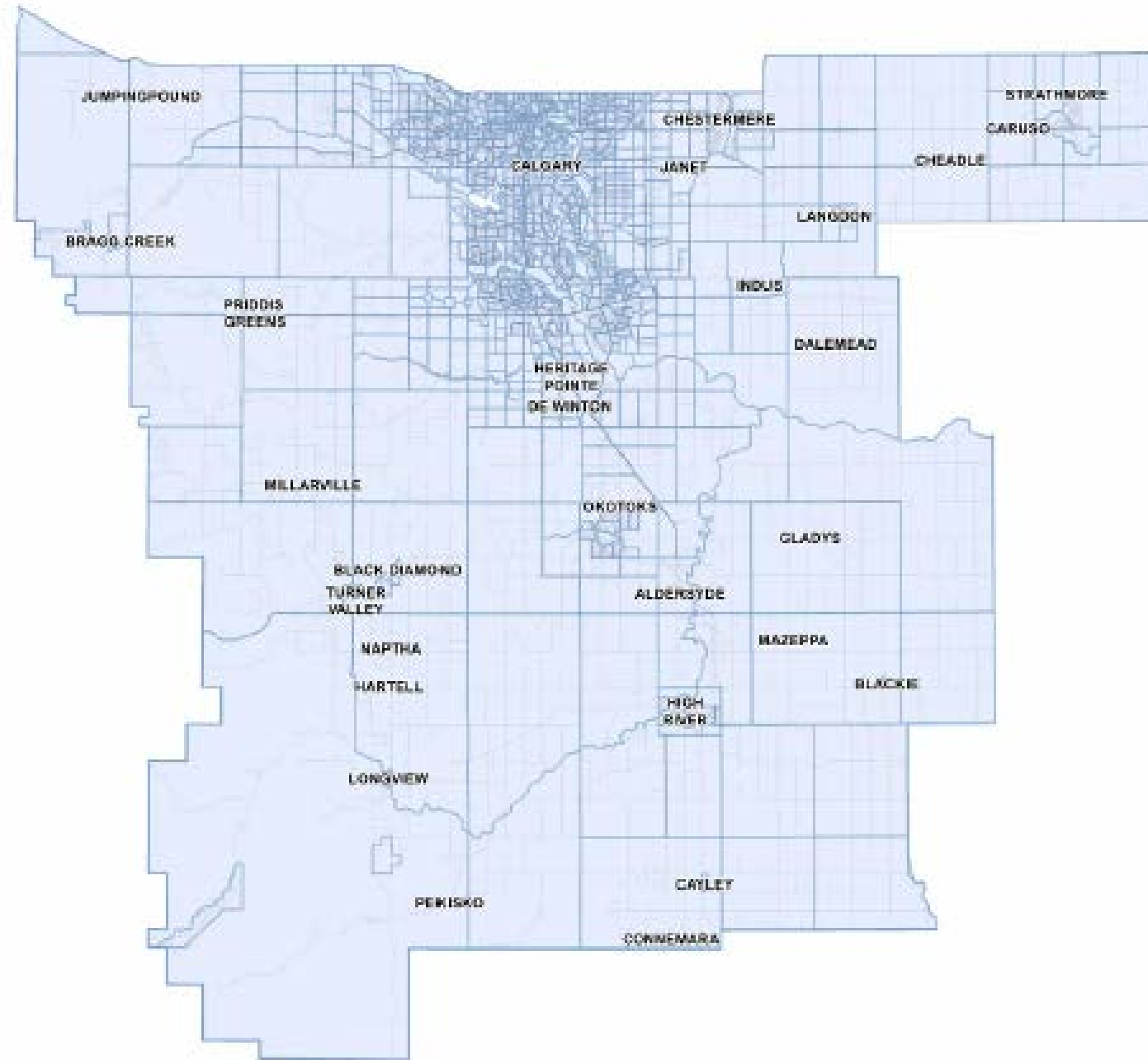
South & East Calgary Regional Transportation Study

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Servicing Committee

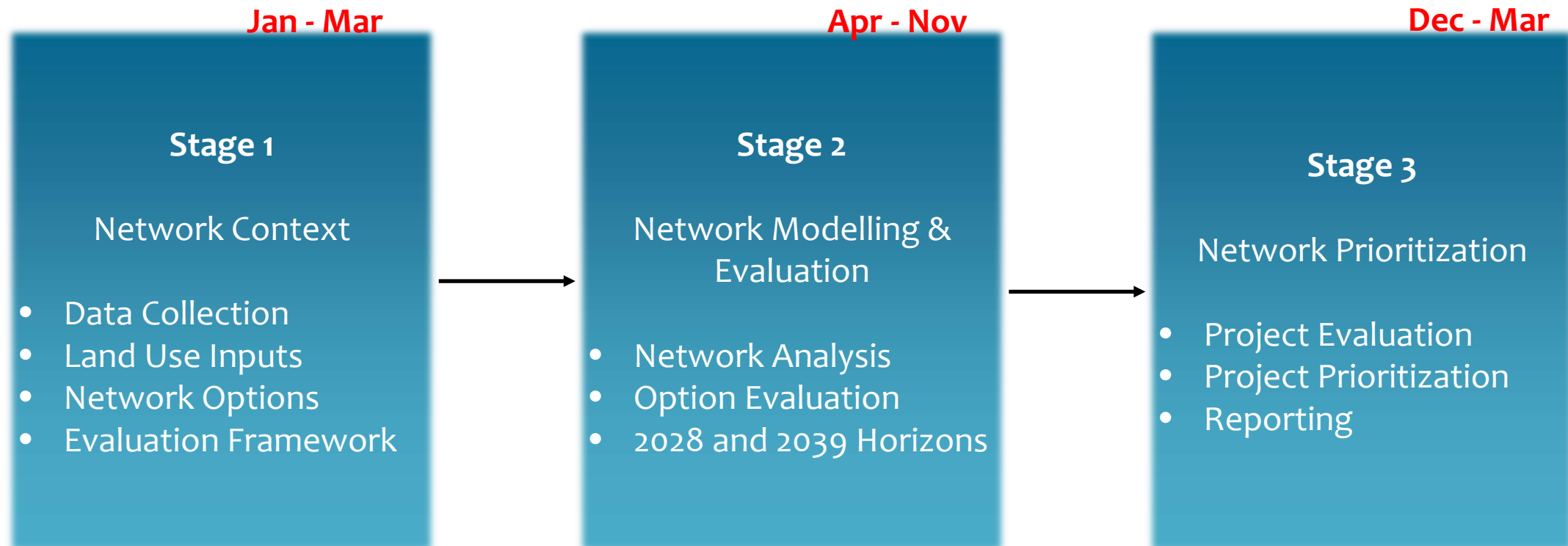
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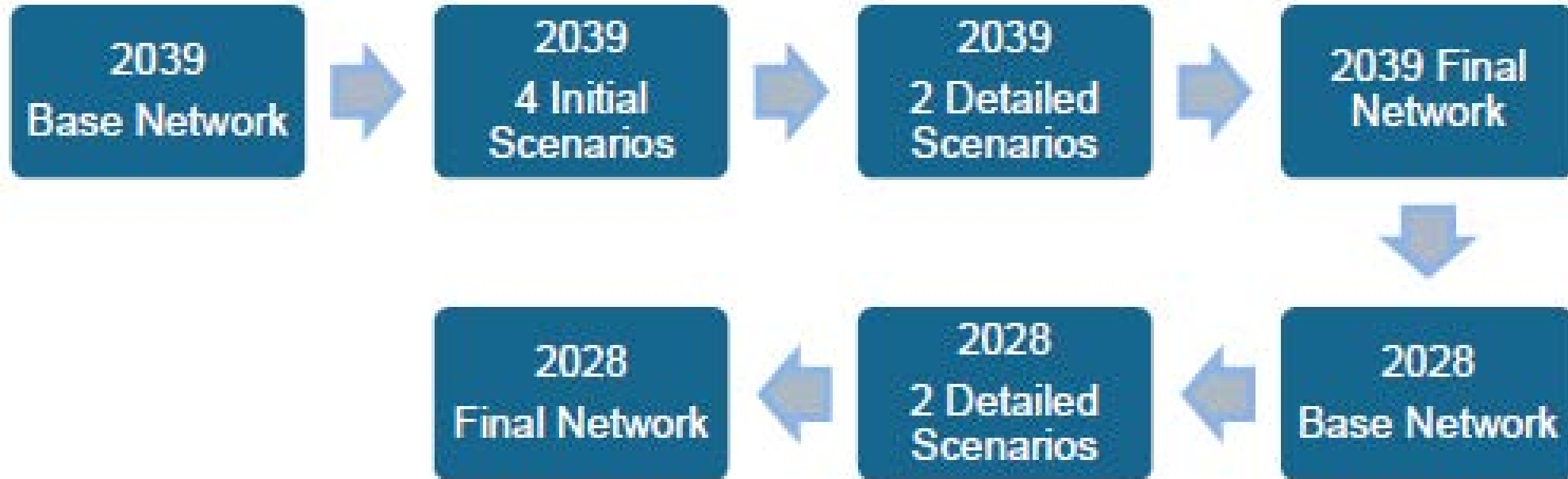
Study Area



Study Process



Network Development and Modelling



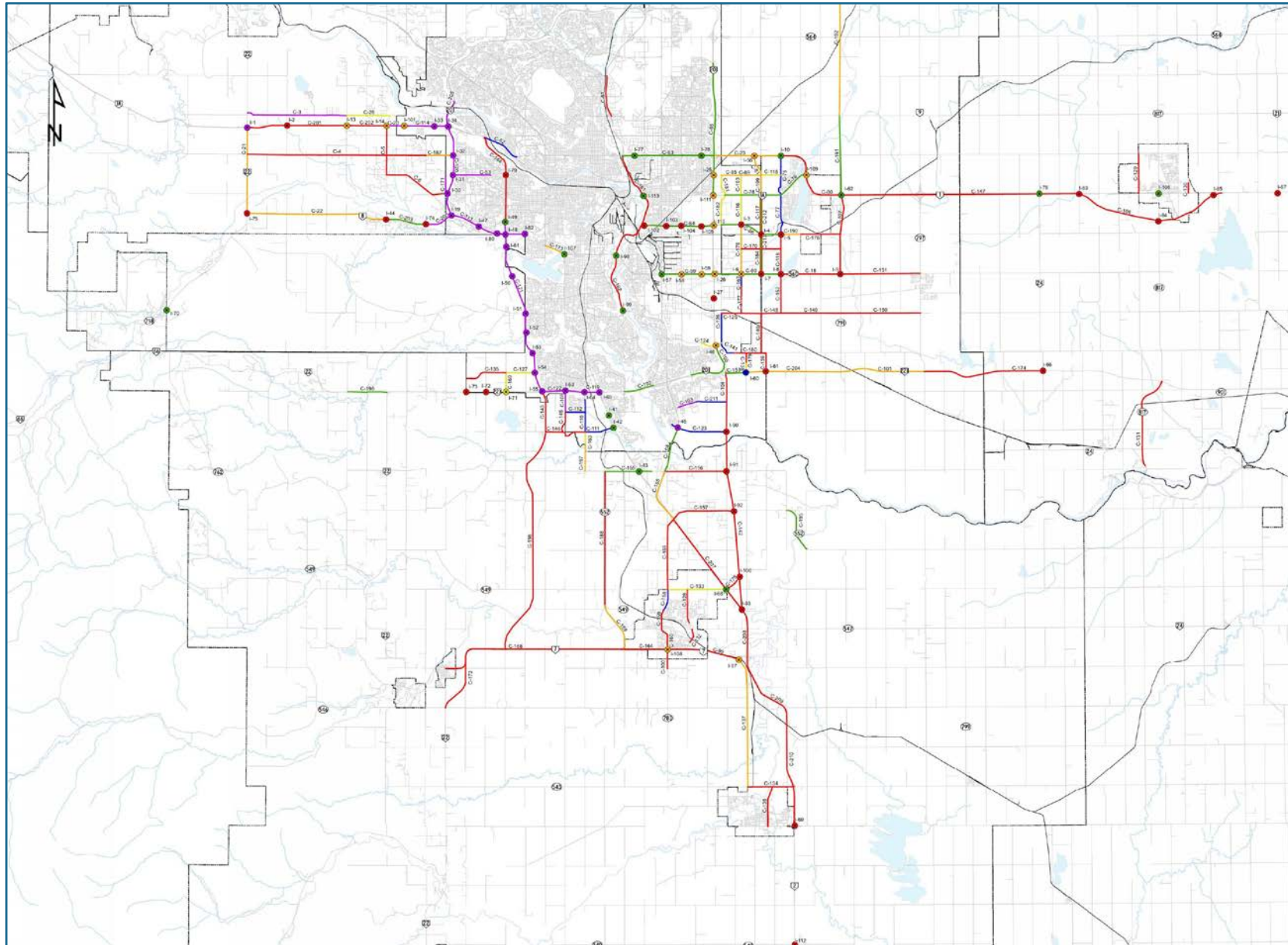
Growth Assumptions

- All municipalities provided 94 Plans based on approved ASPs as of December 31, 2017
- Growth Rates for 10-year (2028) and 20-year (2039) horizons – so not necessarily “full build” of all plans

Municipality	2015 Horizon		2028 Horizon		2039 Horizon	
	Pop	Jobs	Pop	Jobs	Pop	Jobs
Calgary	1,178,482	681,029	1,598,710	930,511	1,910,998	1,087,173
Chestermere	17,807	2,319	35,438	13,501	52,857	24,751
Rocky View County*	24,422	6,425	42,896	14,785	59,946	22,548
Strathmore	13,423	6,255	17,095	6,747	20,483	6,857
Wheatland County*	3,153	780	4,218	2,023	4,829	2,818
Okotoks	28,747	8,468	37,835	10,947	45,677	11,850
High River	14,551	7,816	19,464	10,339	24,817	10,339
Foothills	23,229	7,286	30,483	15,988	35,720	21,659
Other*	5,146	2,259	7,241	2,814	9,160	2,912
TOTAL	1,308,970	732,637	1,793,380	1,007,655	2,164,488	1,190,907

Note: Only part of Rocky View County is included in the study area; west of Calgary, the population south of Bow River is included; east of Calgary, the population south of Township Road 250 is included. Wheatland County only includes population for the portion of the municipality within the study area. "Other" includes the populations of Black Diamond, Turner Valley and Longview.*

Road Network & Classification:



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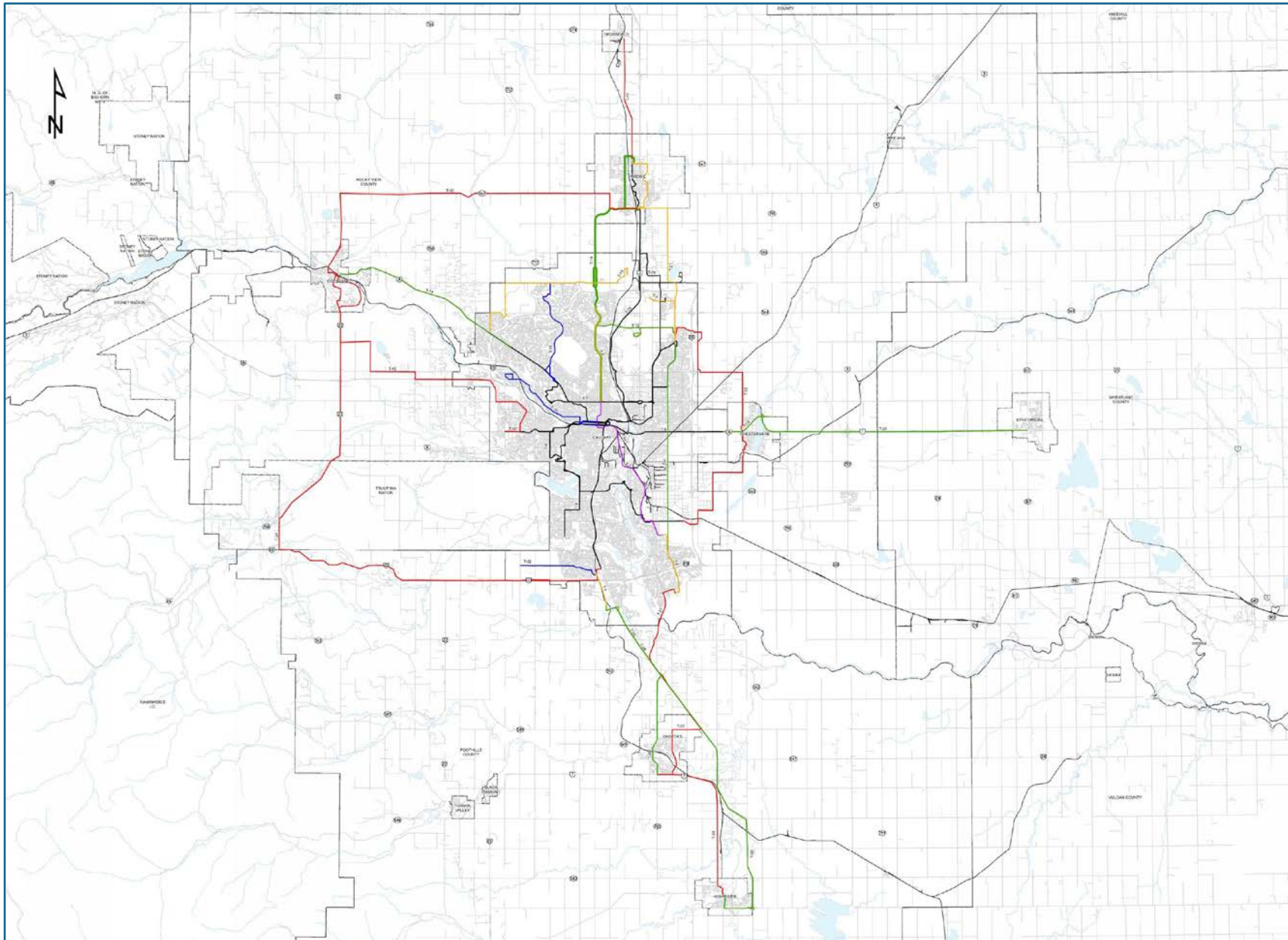
Interchanges & Intersections

- Beyond 2039
- 2039 Regional
- 2039 Non-Regional
- 2028 Regional
- 2028 Non-Regional
- Underway Now

Corridor Classification


- Beyond 2039
- 2039 Regional
- 2039 Non-Regional
- 2028 Regional
- 2028 Non-Regional
- Underway
- Municipal Boundary

Transit Network & Classification:



Legend

Transit Projects

-  Beyond 2039
-  2039 Regional
-  2039 Non-Regional
-  2028 Regional
-  2028 Non-Regional
-  Underway Now
-  Existing
-  Municipal Boundary

Final Project Classification

Final S&ECRTS Classification	2039 Final Network Classification	Number of Projects
Underway	Underway	33
2028 Non-Regional	Warranted	90
2028 Regional		
2039 Non-Regional		
2039 Regional		
Beyond 2039	Not Warranted	87
	TOTAL	210

Final S&ECRTS Classification	2028 Final Network Classification	Number of Projects
Underway	Underway	36
2028 Non-Regional	2028 Non-Regional	13
2028 Regional	2028 Regional	38
2039 Non-Regional	2039 Non-Regional	13
2039 Regional	2039 Regional	29
Beyond 2039	Beyond 2039	91
	TOTAL	220

Four Modelling Scenarios

Focus Area	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Scenario 3	Scenario 4
Deerfoot Trail South	✓	✓	✓	✓
Macleod Trail South	✓	✓	✓	✓
88 Street Bypass	✓	✓	✗	✗
37 Street Bypass	✓	✗	✗	✓
Highway 2A (Okotoks) Widening	✗	✓	✓	✗
Highway 2A (High River) Twinning	✓	✗	✓	✗
Highway 22X / 53 Street Interchange	✓	✓	✗	✗
Sarcee Trail Widening	✓	✓	✗	✗
Highway 1 / 133 Street Interchange	✗	✓	✓	✗
Deerfoot Trail (Calgary) Widening	✓	✗	✗	✗
Deerfoot Trail Interchanges at Glenmore Trail and Anderson Road	✓	✓	✗	✗
Glenmore Trail (Calgary) Widening	✗	✓	✗	✓
Strathmore Highway 1 Bypass	✓	✗	✗	✓
Black Diamond Local Bypass	✓	✗	✓	✗

Evaluation Criteria & Weighting

Category	Weighting
Regional Growth / Economy	30%
Performance / Efficiency	30%
User Service / Connectivity / Choice	25%
Environmental	10%
Financial	5%

Evaluation Criteria & Weighting

Category	Criteria	Type of Evaluation	Data Considered	Evaluation Scale	Notes
Regional Growth / Economy (30%)	1 Supports Priority Growth Areas	Qualitative	Land Use Plans Master Plans Council Directions CMRB Direction	0 - Project does not directly support a priority growth area 1 - Project directly supports a priority growth area	Project is directly within or adjacent to a currently-approved ASP area that has projected land-use growth at the given project horizon. Does not score if the growth areas are "remote" contributors to demand for the project.
	2 Supports Multiple Municipal Partners	Qualitative	All Municipal Partners (Cities, Towns, County) in the Study Area	0 - Project supports only 1 municipality 1 - Project supports 2 or more municipalities	Scored strictly, for projects that provide directly abutting access (or very nearly so) for two or more municipalities.
	3 Supports Investment / Expansion	Qualitative	Additional investments attributed to the project that are contingent / dependent on the project or will be enabled to proceed as a result of the project	0 - Project primarily supports existing development (population and jobs) 1 - Project needed to support private investment for population growth (housing) and or investment in employment (jobs)	Scores if the ability to develop growth areas is contingent upon the project or would be unable to proceed without it. Projects are not necessarily directly within / adjacent to the area.
	4 Supports Goods Movement	Qualitative	Goods Movement Corridors Warehousing/Logistics Centers Truck Routes	0 - Project does not directly support a goods movement corridor 1 - Project supports a goods movement corridor	Projects directly support major industrial areas, connect with a major multi-modal site, support resource industries or extraction activity, removes road bans, or are part of the major dangerous goods / high load network.
	5 Supports Employment Areas	Quantitative	Land Use and Development plans and established patterns	0 - Project supports =<5000 jobs within 800 m 1 - Project supports >5000 jobs within 800 m	Based on land use forecast information at the given horizon.
Performance / Efficiency (30%)	6 VkmT (Vehicle Kilometres Traveled)	Quantitative	RTM Model Outputs (delta in Trip Tables) Existing and Future Volumes (with/without project) Impact of overall Level of Vehicle Travel	0 - Project results in a net INCREASE (=>0 km) in VkmT 1 - Project results in a net DECREASE (<0 km) in VkmT	From RTM over a 24-hour period
	7 Improves Existing Bottlenecks	Qualitative	RTM Model Outputs Levels of Service Provided (LOS) Volume / Capacity Output Maps	0 - Project DOES NOT directly address an existing bottleneck point / congestion site 1 - Project DOES directly address an existing bottleneck point / congestion site	As level of service was a primary screening tool for including projects in the network at a given horizon, this criterion focusses more on whether a project addresses existing bottleneck points (as opposed to "future" bottleneck sites - which are scored instead in relation to growth areas, etc.)
	8 Safety Improvement	Qualitative	Collision Data Rates, Frequencies, Absolute Numbers Types of Collisions Occurring/Reduced Number of potential conflict points	0 - Project (or project type typically) is expected to provide a minor safety improvement 1 - Project (or project type typically) is expected to provide a major safety improvement	Project types that typically provide a major improvement include: removing a traffic signal from a high-speed / high-traffic corridor; removing stop-control for access to a major highway; grade-separating an existing at-grade rail crossing; or corridor widening from 2 to 4 lanes. Project types that typically provide a minor safety improvement include: capacity upgrades of an existing interchange; new access points or roadways; widening corridors from 4 to 6 or 6 to 8 lanes. Scoring for major safety improvement can also recognize specific projects that have been planned or driven by safety-related issues.
	9 Travel Time Savings	Quantitative	RTM Model Outputs Daily Savings Annual Savings Travel Times With / Without a project	0 - Project results in a Net Increase or Small Net Decrease (<400 h) in travel time 1 - Project results in a Large Net Decrease (=>400 h) in travel time	From RTM over a 24-hour period

Evaluation Criteria & Weighting

Category	Criteria	Type of Evaluation	Data Considered	Evaluation Scale	Notes
User Service / Connectivity / Choice (25%)	10 Network Connectivity	Qualitative	New and Useful or Expanded Links within the network Frequency/spacing of links in the region Connections between links (at grade vs. grade separated) Enhanced service along an existing road	0 - Project provides a minor enhancement to the connectivity of the network 1 - Project provides a major enhancement to the connectivity of the network	Includes projects that clearly provide new connections in the network. Does not include those which upgrade existing connections.
	11 Connecting Communities (Municipal Partners)	Qualitative	Land Use Municipal Boundaries	0 - Project maintains current level of community connectivity 1 - Project enhances connectivity between communities	Focusses on projects that enhance SECONDARY or ALTERNATE routes between major centres, to provide redundancy with primary / existing routes.
	12 Primary Transit Network / HOV / Regional Transit	Qualitative	Ability of project to directly / indirectly support transit or HOV Presence of, or plan for, Regional Transit or HOV	0 - Project does not directly support regional transit or HOV 1 - Project directly improves transit priority, a transit corridor, or on HOV corridor, in the region	Added HOV
Environmental (10%)	13 GHG Emissions	Quantitative	RTM Model Outputs Existing and Future GHG levels (with/without project) Impact on overall GHG estimates	0 - Project results in a net INCREASE (≥ 0 kg) in GHG Emissions 1 - Project results in a net DECREASE (< 0 kg) in GHG Emissions	From RTM over a 24-hour period
	14 Land Preservation	Qualitative	Direct impacts of land (i.e. land/ROW for new links vs. land for expanded links) Indirect impact of land (severance or parcels from new links)	Corridor Widening Projects: 0 - Project deviates from road allowances or requires major (highway-scale) widening 1 - Project remains within road allowance with minor (arterial-scale) widening Upgrades of Existing Interchanges: 0 - Project includes a major deviation from existing interchange location 1 - Project remains largely within existing footprint or has minor corner widening New Interchanges: 0 - Project requires any new land acquisition 1 - Project falls within existing dedicated ROW	Refinement of scoring criteria based on project type, to ensure reasonable differentiation amongst similar project types.
	15 Impact on Environmental Features	Qualitative	Potential disturbance of natural and/or environmental features Impacts on wildlife habitat Impacts on wetlands and/or rivers/creeks/streams	0 - Project has MAJOR impacts on environmentally significant land 1 - Project has MINOR impacts on environmentally significant land	Any new creek / river / water body crossing or relocation, or major disruption to wetland constitutes a MAJOR impact.
Financial (5%)	16 Benefit / Cost Ratio	Quantitative	Estimated Capital Costs Anticipated Benefits (Travel Time reductions, GHG reductions)	0 - Project B/C ratio indicates a net cost (BCR ≤ 1.0) 1 - Project B/C ratio indicates a net benefit (BCR > 1.0)	Based on Alberta Transportation methodology & rates for VHT and GHG improvements (or dis-improvements) over a 20-year period.
	17 Capital Cost	Quantitative	Amount of new infrastructure Amount of land required Order of Magnitude Estimate of Capital Cost	0 - Project cost is $> \$40$ Million (larger regional project) 1 - Project cost is $\leq \$40$ Million (smaller regional project)	
	18 Use of Existing Infrastructure	Qualitative	Existing Road and Highway infrastructure	0 - Project is a new link, road or improvement 1 - Project makes use of/expands existing infrastructure	New interchanges at existing at-grade intersection locations score 0.

2028 Project Priority List

Ranking	Code	Project	Score
1	C-78	17 Ave SE (84 St SE-Rainbow Rd) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	78.17
2	I-98	Glenmore Tr SE & Deerfoot Tr - Upgrade Interchange	62.00
3	I-68	338 Ave & Hwy 2 - New Interchange	54.00
4	I-107	Glenmore Tr SW & 14 St SW - Upgrade Interchange	52.83
5	I-42	210 Ave & Macleod Tr - New Parclo Interchange	52.17
6	C-86	Peigan Tr / Twp Rd 240 (84 St SE-Rainbow Rd) - Widen to 4 lanes	50.83
7	C-89	Memorial Dr (Garden Rd-Conrich Rd) - New 4-lane Arterial	50.50
8	C-60	Glenmore Tr (Stoney Tr-Rainbow Rd) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	50.00
9	C-55	Stoney Tr (Airport Tr-17 Ave SE) - Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	49.00
10	I-41	194 Ave & Macleod Tr - New Half-Parclo Interchange	48.00
11	I-57	Glenmore Tr SE & Barlow Tr - New Interchange	47.83
12	I-56	Hwy 1 & Conrich Rd - New Interchange	47.33
13	I-99	Anderson Rd & Deerfoot Tr - Upgrade Interchange	47.00
14	I-43	Dunbow Rd & Macleod Tr - New Interchange	45.50
15	I-106	Hwy 1 & Hwy 817 - Upgrade Intersection	42.83
15	C-63	16 Ave NE (Deerfoot Tr-Stoney Tr) - Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	42.83
17	I-62	Hwy 1 & Hwy 791 - New Interchange	42.33
18	C-59	Glenmore Tr (Barlow Tr-Stoney Tr) - Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	41.50
19	C-64	Peigan Tr (Deerfoot Tr-Stoney Tr) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	41.33
20	I-49	Richmond Rd & Sarcee Tr - New Interchange	41.17
21	I-77	Hwy 1 / 16 Ave & 19 St NE - New Interchange	41.00
22	C-203	Hwy 8 (149 St / RR 31-Lot Creek Blvd) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	41.00
23	C-153	Hwy 22X (Stoney Tr-104 St SE) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	40.50
24	C-108	Hwy 2 (212 Ave SE-Dunbow Rd) - Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	40.50
25	C-79	17 Ave SE (Rainbow Rd-Hwy 1) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	39.33
26	C-199	Conrich Rd (Memorial Dr-17 Ave SE) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	39.00
27	I-78	Hwy 1 / 16 Ave & 68 St NE - New Interchange	35.17
28	C-81	Conrich Rd (Hwy 1-Memorial Dr) - New 4-lane Arterial	34.00
29	C-155	Dunbow Rd (Hwy 552-East of Hwy 2A) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	33.67
30	C-102	Stoney Tr (Chaparral Blvd-Cranston Blvd) - Widen from 6 to 8 lanes	30.17
31	I-76	Hwy 1 & Hwy 24 - New Interchange	28.83
32	C-105	Stoney Tr (52 St SE-130 Ave SE) - Widen from 4 to 6 core lanes	28.50
33	C-117	Conrich Rd (17 Ave SE-Peigan Tr) - Paving	28.00
33	C-191	Hwy 791 (McKnight Blvd-Hwy 1) - Pave Highway	28.00
35	I-70	White Ave & Hwy 22 - Roundabout	27.67
36	I-113	17 Ave SE & Deerfoot Tr - Upgrade Interchange	24.33
37	C-195	Hwy 552 (Bridge over Highwood River) - Bridge Replacement	11.00
37	C-196	Hwy 22 (West of Fish Creek-Hwy 22X) - Bridge Replacement	11.00

Code	Project	Technology	Primary Municipality
T-12	YYC Airport Transit Connection	APM	Calgary
T-14	Cochrane North Connector	BRT	Cochrane
T-18	Airdrie ICE – West	BRT	Airdrie
T-23	Chestermere Connector	BRT	Chestermere
T-25	Strathmore Connector	BRT	Strathmore
T-26	Okotoks West Connector	BRT	Okotoks
T-28	High River - Calgary Connector	BRT	High River
T-31	52 Street BRT	BRT	Calgary

2039 Project Priority List

Ranking	Code	Project	Score
1	I-10	Hwy 1 & Rainbow Rd - New Parclo Interchange	49.17
2	I-6	Glenmore Tr SE & Garden Rd - New DDI Interchange	48.33
3	C-137	Hwy 2A (Hwy 7-498 Ave) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	44.83
4	I-97	Hwy 7 & Hwy 2A - Upgrade Intersection	44.67
5	C-178	Garden Rd (Peigan Tr-Glenmore Tr) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	41.50
5	C-190	Peigan Tr (Rainbow Rd-RR 282) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	41.50
7	I-58	Glenmore Tr SE & 52 St SE - New Interchange	40.50
8	C-173	Glenmore Tr (Crowchild Tr-14 St SW) - Weaving Improvements	40.33
9	C-85	Memorial Dr (84 St-Garden Rd) - New 4-lane Arterial	39.67
10	C-187	Springbank Rd (RR 25-Stoney Tr) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	37.83
11	C-101	Hwy 22X (Hwy 791-Hwy 797) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	34.50
11	C-204	Hwy 22X (104 St SE-Hwy 791) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	34.50
13	C-23	Hwy 1 (Stoney Tr-Rainbow Rd) - Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	34.00
14	I-26	Glenmore Tr SE & Stoney Tr - Upgrade to Systems Interchange	33.83
15	I-46	130 Ave & Stoney Tr - New Half-Interchange	33.00
16	I-108	Hwy 7 & Southridge Dr - Upgrade Intersection	30.33
17	C-165	Hwy 2 (Dunbow Rd-Hwy 2A / Hwy 552) - Add basket-weaves	29.67
17	I-109	Hwy 1 & Chestermere Blvd - Upgrade Interchange	29.67
19	I-25	Memorial Dr & Stoney Tr - New Flyover	29.33
20	I-59	Glenmore Tr SE & 68 St SE - New Interchange	28.83
21	C-22	Hwy 8 (Hwy 22-149 St / RR 31) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	28.50
22	I-110	Peigan Tr SE & Stoney Tr - Crossing Road 6-Laning	28.00
23	C-197	Sheriff King St (North of 226 Ave-Dunbow Rd) - New 2-lane Arterial	24.33
23	I-111	17 Ave SE & Stoney Tr - Crossing Road 6-Laning	24.33
25	I-101	Hwy 1 & 133 St NW - New Half-Interchange	23.67
26	I-14	Hwy 1 & Old Banff Coach Rd - Upgrade Interchange	23.00
27	C-189	Hwy 552 (Hwy 549-Hwy 7) - New 2-lane Highway/Bridge	22.67
28	C-21	Hwy 22 (Hwy 1-Hwy 8) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	15.17
29	I-13	Hwy 1 & RR 33 - Upgrade Interchange	10.00

Code	Project	Technology	Primary Municipality
T-1	Red Line South Extension	LRT	Calgary
T-2	Blue Line North Extension	LRT	Calgary
T-4	Green Line North Extension	LRT	Calgary
T-5	Green Line South Extension	LRT	Calgary
T-13	Glacier Ridge / Keystone Crosstown	BRT	Calgary
T-21	Airdrie ICE – East	BRT	Airdrie

2028 Project Priority List

Top 10 Projects

Roadway

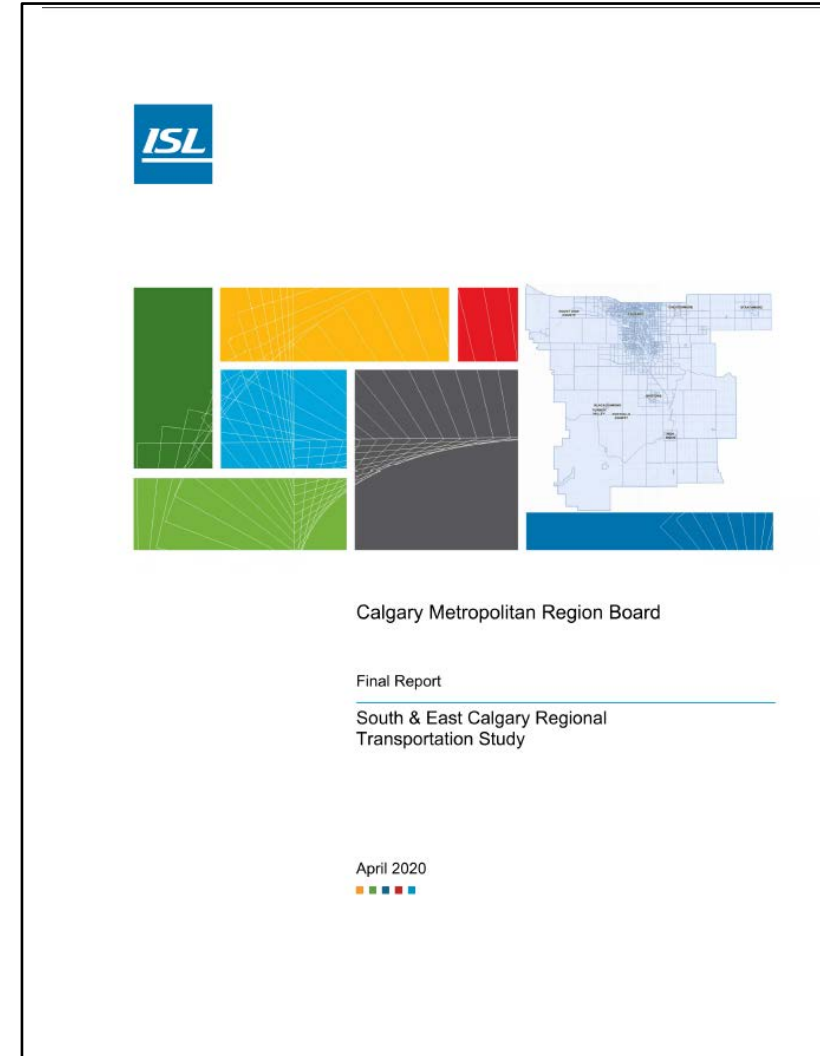
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8	C-80	Glenmore Tr (Stoney Tr-Rainbow Rd) - Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	50.00
9	C-55	Stoney Tr (Airport Tr-17 Ave SE) - Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	49.00
10	I-41	194 Ave & Macleod Tr - New Half-Parclo Interchange	48.00

Transit

ID	Service	Classification
T-3	Green Line Phase 1	Underway Now
T-12	YYC Airport Transit Connection	2028 Regional
T-14	Cochrane North Connector	2028 Regional
T-18	Airdrie ICE - West	2028 Regional
T-23	Chestermere Connector	2028 Regional
T-25	Strathmore Connector	2028 Regional
T-26	Okotoks West Connector	2028 Regional
T-28	High River – Calgary Connector	2028 Regional
T-31	52 Street BRT	2028 Regional

Conclusion

- The S&ECRTS study is now complete
- Consultant has submitted their final report
- Report includes comments from all members



Acknowledgements

- Diligent and active participation by members of all Municipalities
- Timely responses, communication and meeting attendance
- Support from City of Calgary's forecasting group
- The ISL project team
- And the CMRB admin group





Agenda Item	5
Submitted to	Land Use and Servicing Committee
Purpose	For Decision
Subject	Integration of the North and South & East Transportation Studies
Meeting Date	May 7, 2020
<p><i>Motion that the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the Integration Memo of the North Calgary Regional Transportation Study and the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study</i></p> <p><i>Motion that the Committee recommend that the Board share the integration technical memo with the Minister of Transportation and senior leadership at Alberta Transportation</i></p>	
<p>Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In September 2018 CMRB administration was authorized by ISC to develop a RFP, with support from the Transportation Technical Advisory Group, for a transportation study covering the remaining geographical portions of the Calgary Metropolitan Region (CMR). The study is referred to as the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study (S&ECRTS). ISL was the successful proponent, through the competitive bid process. • The NCRTS began in 2018 and the project results and report was adopted by the Board in September 2019. The report was also presented to Alberta Transportation Deputy Minister, Director and Executive Director in July of 2019 in order to fulfill the initial request from the province. The NCRTS committee was praised, by the province, for their collaboration and commitment in determining the priority of transportation infrastructure upgrades that would benefit the Calgary region. • Following adoption of the NCRTS in September 2019, the Board directed CMRB Administration to develop and submit an integrated list of transportation projects and priorities, across the CMR, for the 10 and 20 year horizons that would be used to communicate regional network needs to the province • The S&ECRTS began in January 2019 and the project deliverable was the subject of a previous motion and agenda item of today's meeting. The report was reviewed by administrations from participating member municipalities and Alberta Transportation. 	

- CMRB member municipalities participated in a meeting with ISL's project team and CMRB SME to confirm the evaluation criteria and scoring for consistency and completeness.
- S&ECRTS and the previously completed NCRTS (adopted by the Board in September 2019), were developed to identify and prioritize regionally significant transportation projects. The studies considered currently planned growth and existing growth conditions. As such, they will inform the regional road network component of the Growth and Servicing Plan. The Growth and Servicing Plan is exploring alternative regional land use scenarios, which may influence future travel demand and thus transportation priorities. Regional transportation priorities will need to be re-evaluated over time to reflect the Board's growth priorities as established through the Growth and Servicing Plan.

Attachments

- Regional Transportation Network, Integration of NCRTS and S&ECRTS, Aziz Merali – CMRB Transportation Subject Matter Expert
- Technical Memo: Integration of NCRTS and S&ECRTS Studies, ISL Engineering and Land Services (ISL) (attachment available at link sent by email)

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The list of projects is not meant to be interpreted as a consecutive list. Rather, it is a list of projects that are regionally significant and are required to support the planned growth for the 10- and 20-year horizons.

2. Next Steps

The results of this study may be considered in the upcoming funding program review process in September 2020 and possibly sooner given the province's plans for economic stimulus. The relative ranking of proposed transportation projects will provide benefit to the CMR as a whole and should assist with expediting provincial funding commitments. Of note is that each of the projects listed are in varying progress stages; some require land acquisition; some have progressed to the design phase and some may be 'shovel-ready'. The status of the projects may become a factor for provincial funding review and decision-making. Consequently, the list is not meant to be

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construed as a consecutive list. Rather, it is a list of projects that are regionally significant and are known to provide benefit to the CMR. It is understood that a similar

collaborative approach continues to be successful in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region, where area municipalities have participated in common regional prioritization efforts for more than a decade.

3. Recommendation

That the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the Integration Memo of the North Calgary Regional Transportation Study and the South and East Calgary Regional Transportation Study; and

That the Committee recommend that the Board share the integration technical memo with the Minister of Transportation and senior leadership at Alberta Transportation



Regional Transportation Network Integration of NCRTS and S&ECRTS

Presentation with CMRB Land Use and Servicing Committee
May 7, 2020

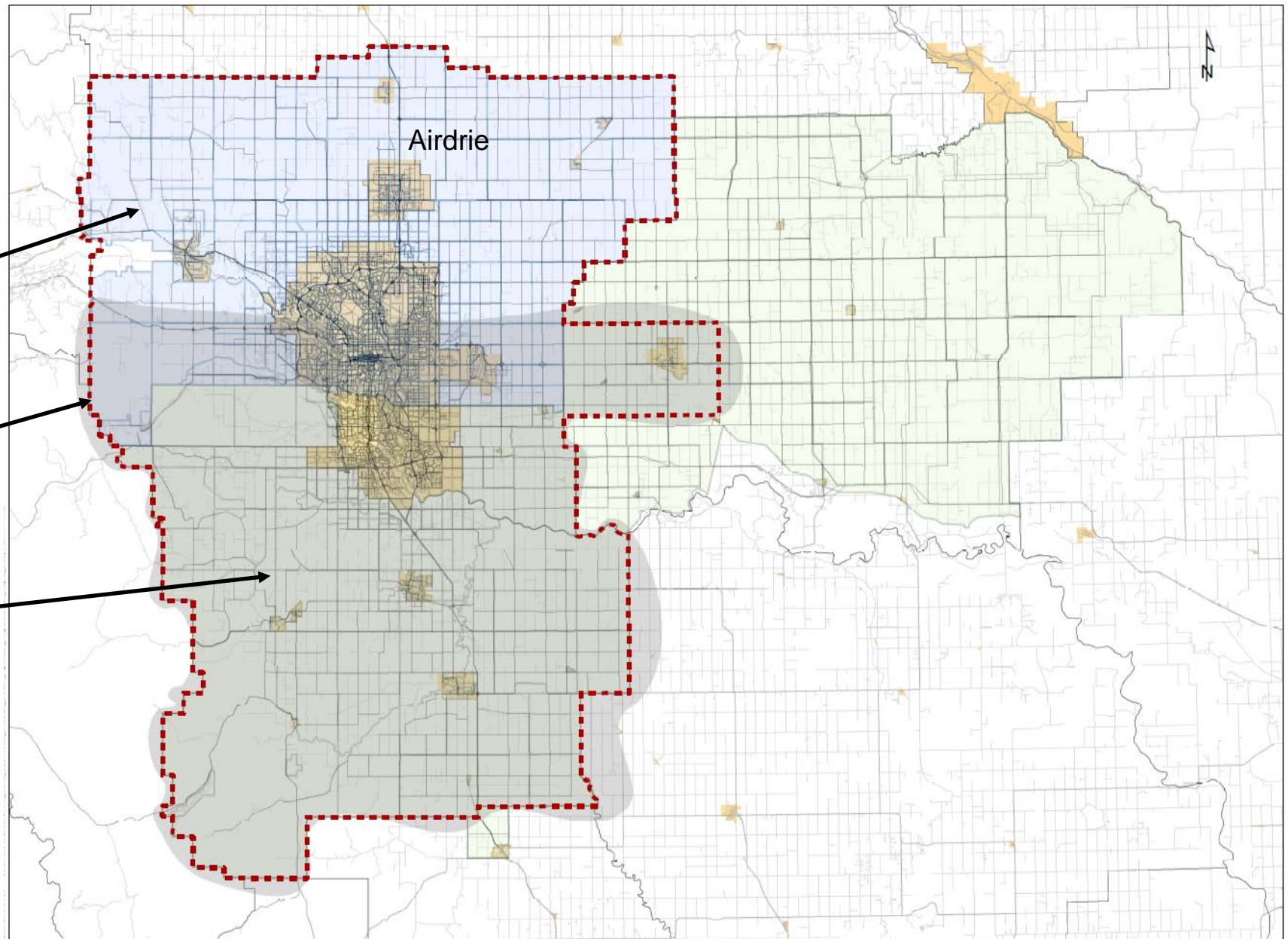
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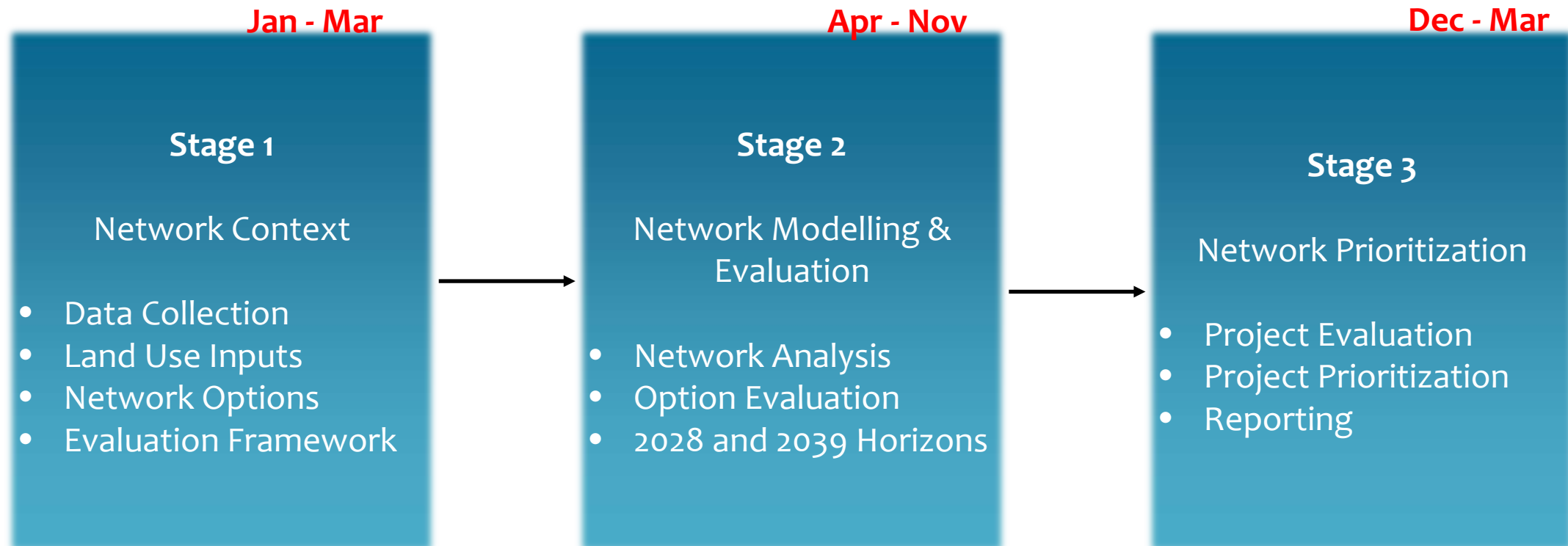
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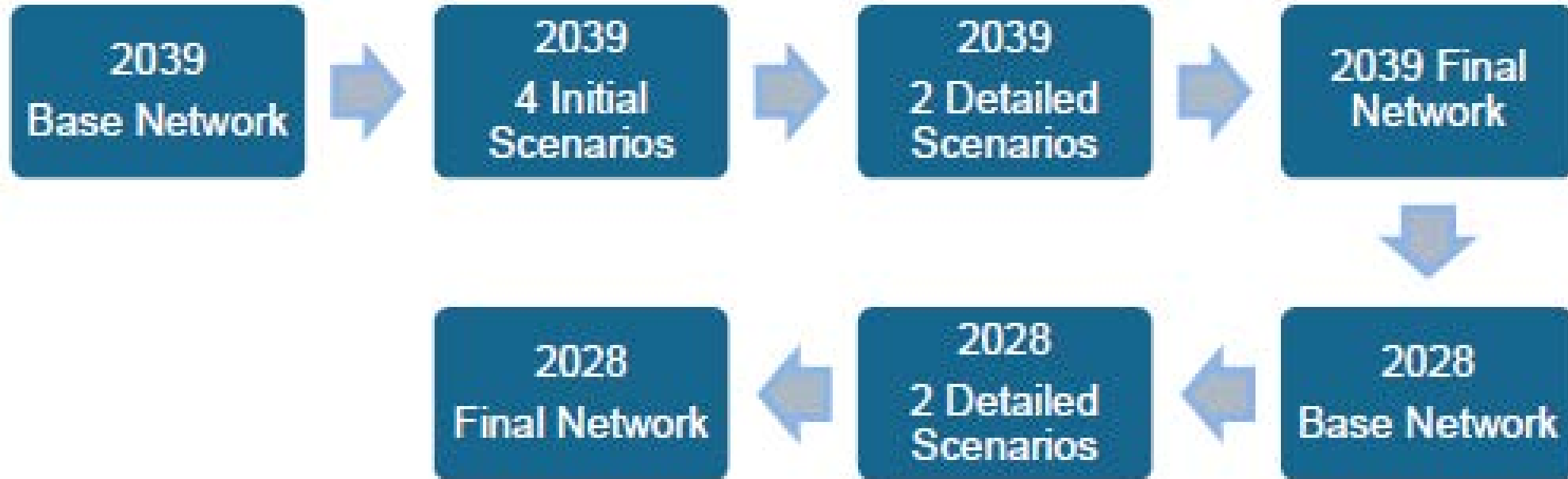
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Study Process



Network Development and Modelling



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Chestermere	17,807	2,319	35,738	13,501	53,220	24,751
Cochrane	26,320	6,807	37,217	13,616	49,534	15,542
Calgary	848,835	572,186	1,093,824	746,966	1,266,662	851,294
RVC	36,515	12,296	67,975	37,421	94,595	58,689
Other	4,836	2,410	6,057	2,957	8,505	3,036
TOTAL	1,000,346	609,474	1,362,582	883,301	1,650,874	1,078,041

* North Calgary Region figures only include area ~north of Glenmore Trail

S&ECRTS: Growth Assumptions

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Calgary	1,178,482	691,029	1,598,710	930,511	1,910,998	1,087,173
Chestermere	17,807	2,319	35,438	13,501	52,857	24,751
Rocky View County*	24,422	6,425	42,896	14,785	59,946	22,548
Strathmore	13,423	6,255	17,095	6,747	20,483	6,857
Wheatland County*	3,153	780	4,218	2,023	4,829	2,818
Okotoks	28,747	8,468	37,835	10,947	45,677	11,850
High River	14,551	7,816	19,464	10,339	24,817	10,339
Foothills	23,229	7,286	30,483	15,988	35,720	21,659
Other*	5,146	2,259	7,241	2,814	9,160	2,912
TOTAL	1,308,970	732,637	1,793,380	1,007,655	2,164,488	1,190,907

Note: Only part of Rocky View County is included in the study area; west of Calgary, the population south of Bow River is included; east of Calgary, the population south of Township Road 250 is included. Wheatland County only includes population for the portion of the municipality within the study area. "Other" includes the populations of Black Diamond, Turner Valley and Longview.*

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Rocky View County	75,366	38,999	104,059	61,642
Wheatland County*	4,218	2,023	4,829	2,818
TOTAL	1,965,077	1,077,338	2,404,045	1,304,178

Note: Wheatland County figure includes the population for the land area within the Calgary RTM*

- CMRB approved population forecasts are: 2.0 million by 2033 & 2.4 million by 2043








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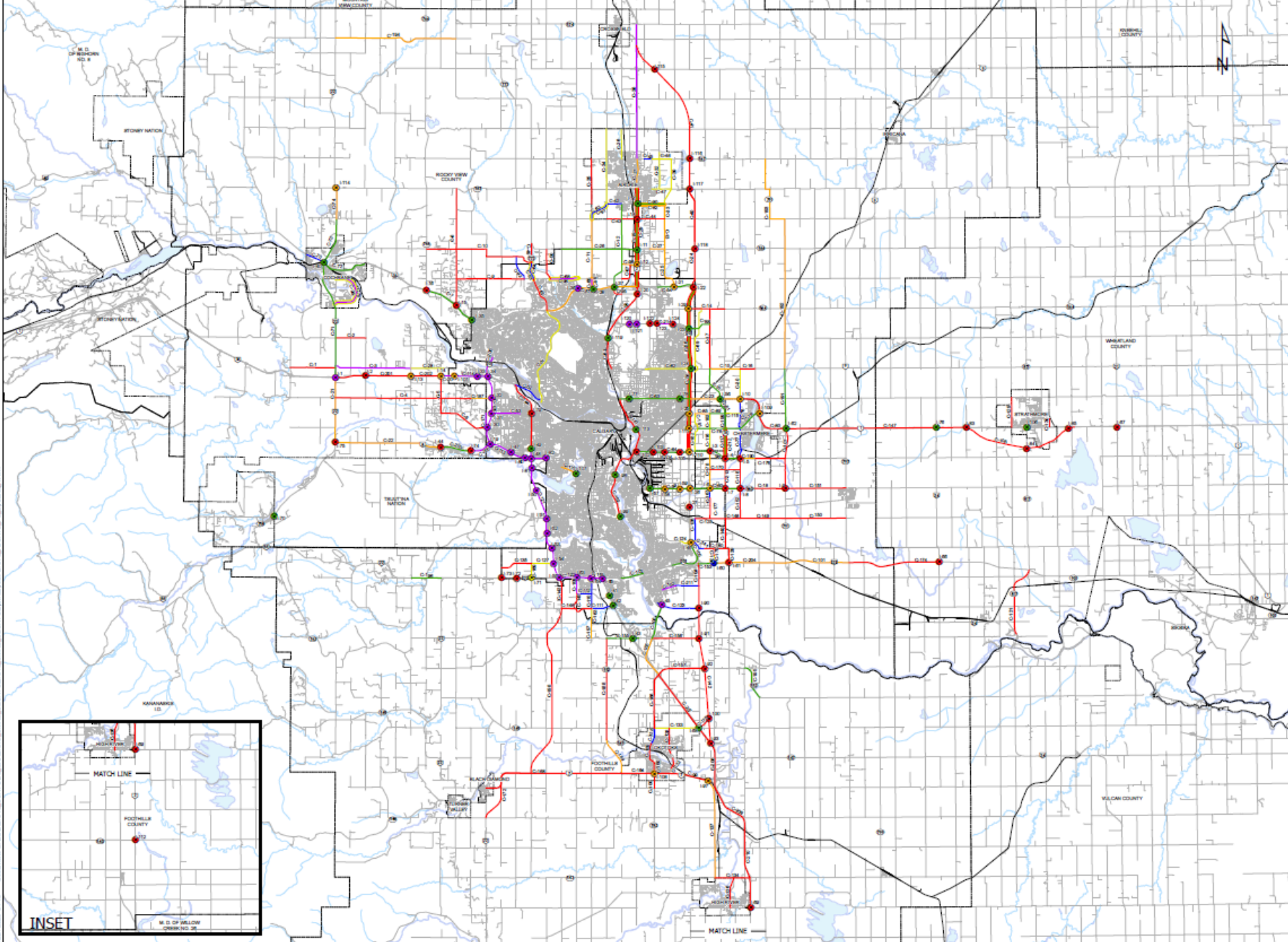
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Corridor Classification

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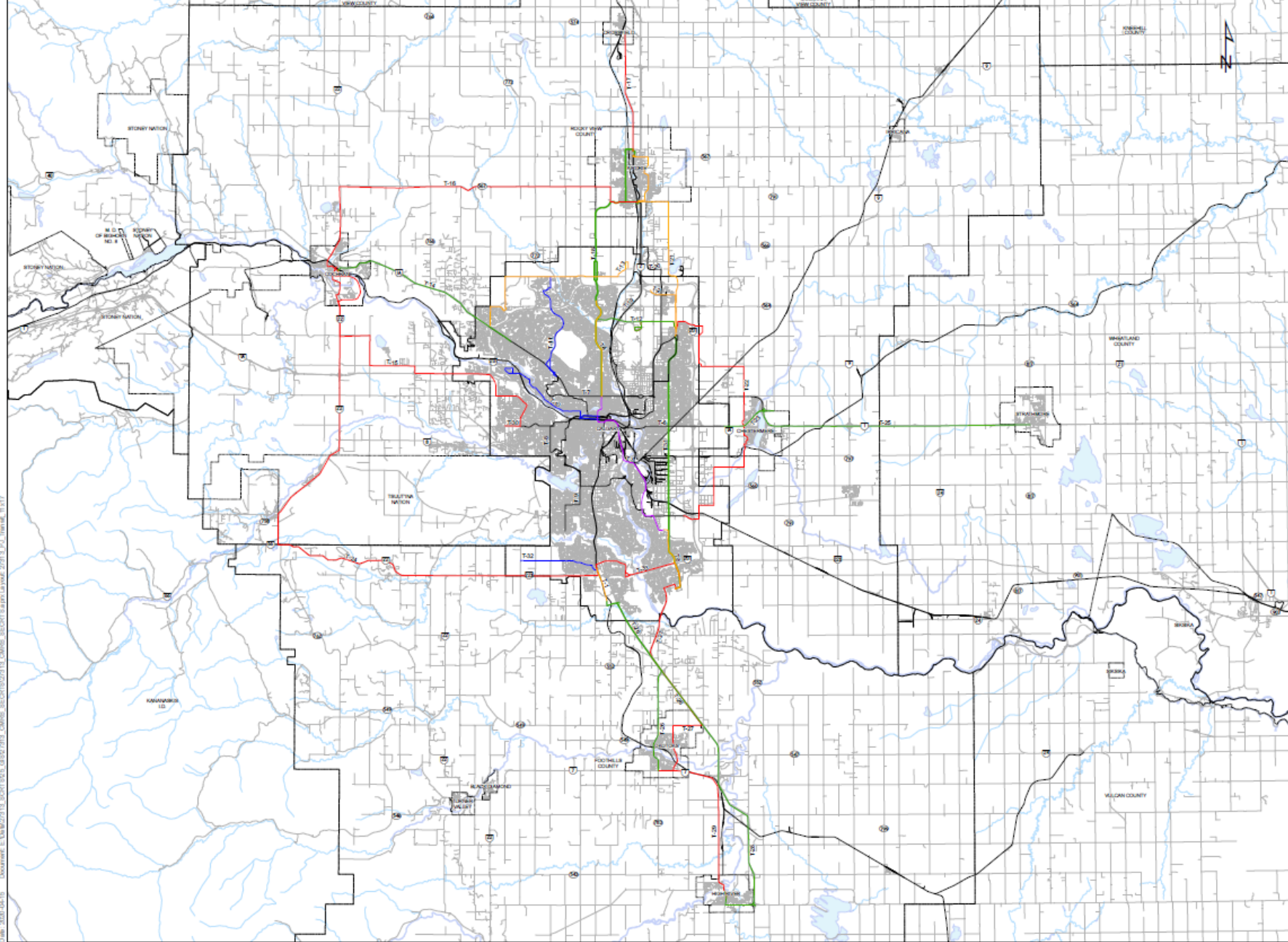


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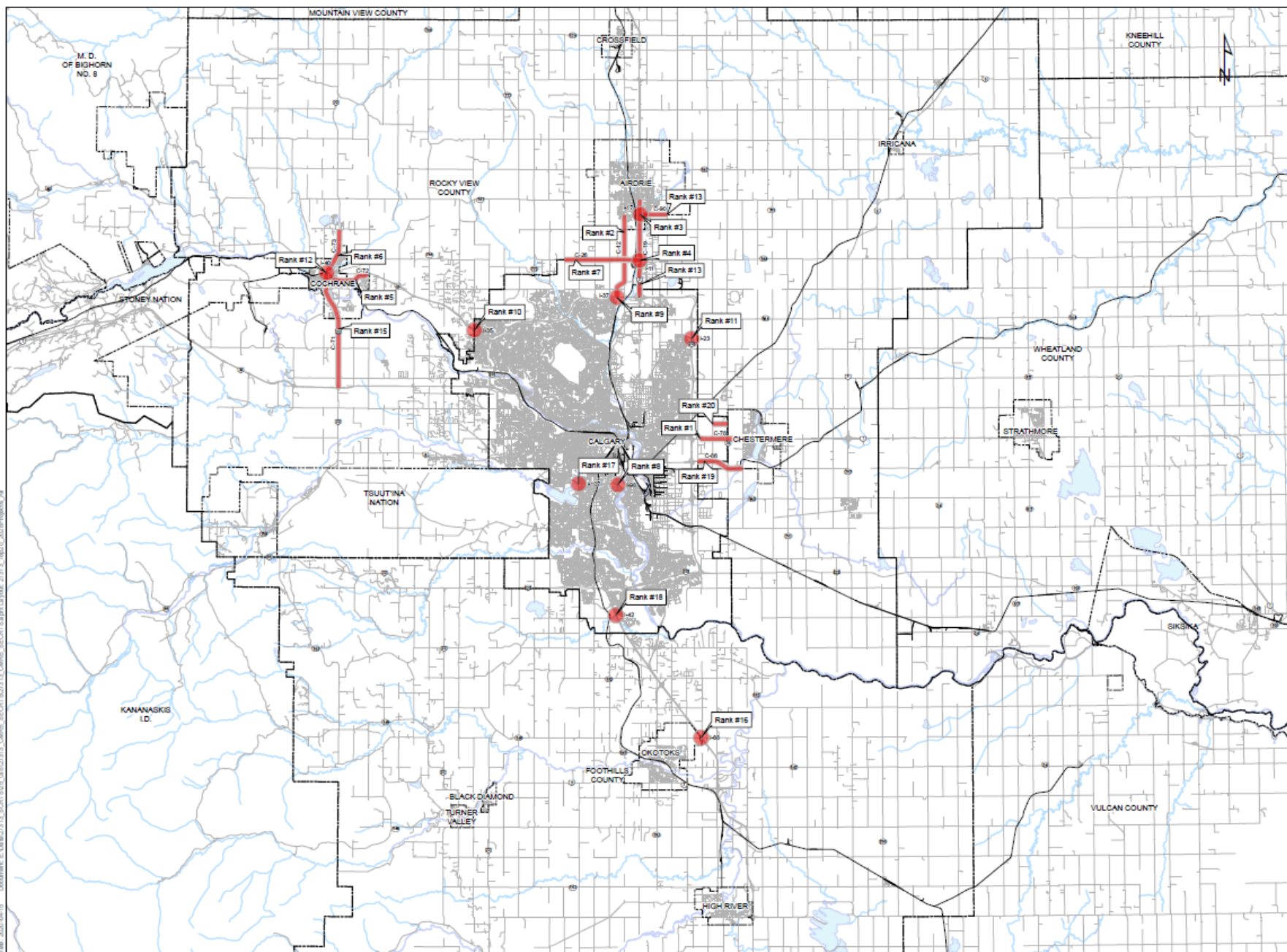
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Regional Growth / Economy	30%
Performance / Efficiency	30%
User Service / Connectivity / Choice	25%
Environmental	10%
Financial	5%

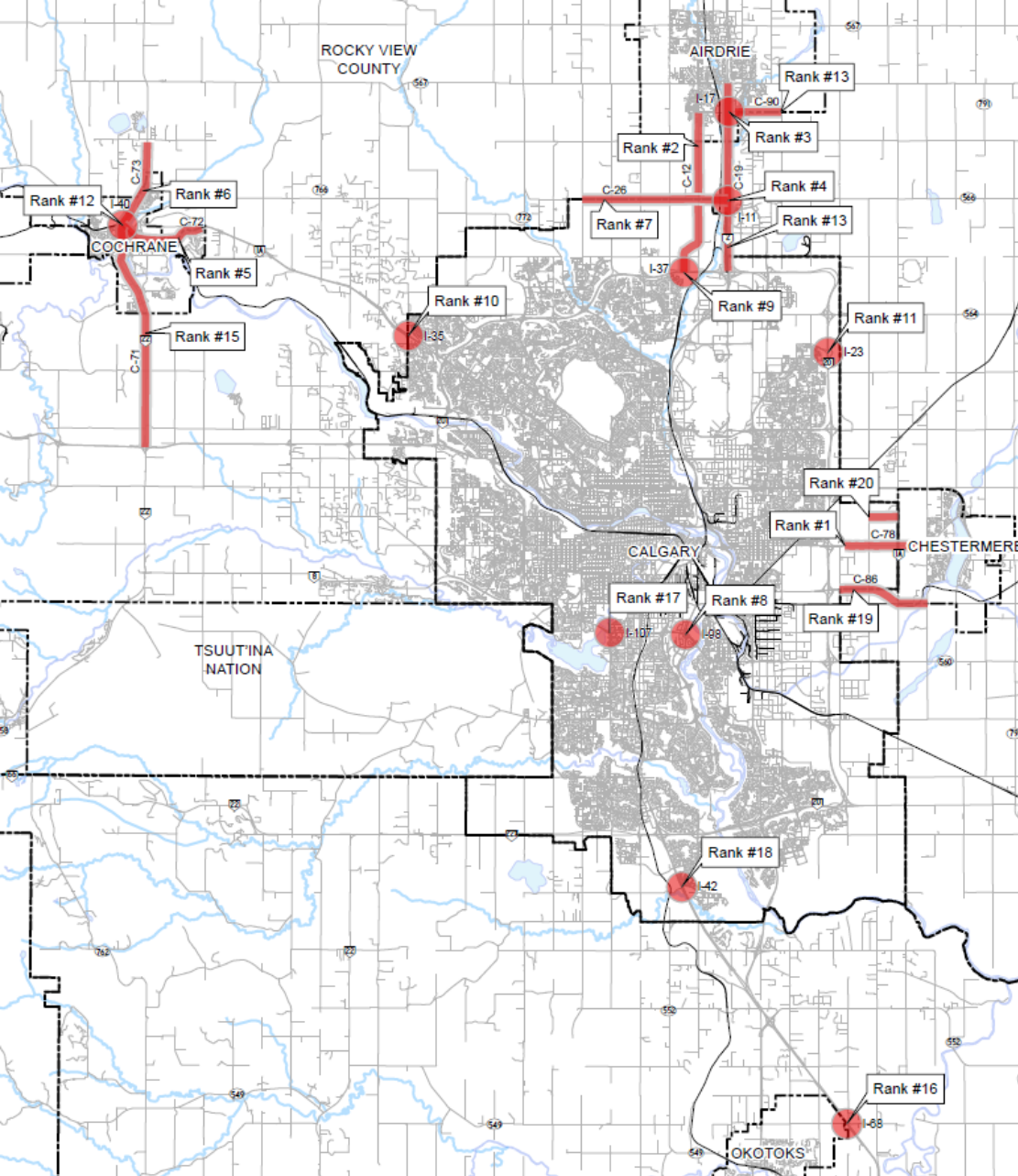
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Conclusion

- The study is now complete
- Consultant has submitted their final report
- The NCRTS and S&ECRTS will be used as one input into the CMRB Growth and Servicing Plan process
- The Integration of NCRTS and S&ECRTS can be shared with the Minister to communicate regional network needs to support planned growth in the CMR, over the next 10 and 20 years



Agenda Item	6
Submitted to	Land Use and Servicing Committee
Purpose	For Information
Subject	Growth & Servicing Plan Update
Meeting Date	May 7, 2020
<i>Motion that the Committee receive for information an update on the progress of the Growth & Servicing Plan</i>	
<p>Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HDR Calthorpe will provide a verbal progress update on the Growth & Servicing Plan. • HDR Calthorpe has indicated that there are policy issues and questions that merit further discussion among policymakers beginning before consideration of the alternative scenarios. • The three policy areas of focus are listed below with a progress update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recreation – draft policies included as part of Agenda Item #7. Further policy discussions around recreation corridors and other spatial aspects of recreation to occur once scenarios are available. ○ Agricultural lands – to be discussed as part of Agenda Item #8 ○ Flood prone areas – (riverine) a path for development of regional policy on flood prone areas was discussed with Water Table and LU TAG on April 30th. To be further discussed with Committee at the June meeting. 	

Agenda Item	7
Submitted to	Land Use and Servicing Committee
Purpose	For Decision
Subject	Draft Recreation Policy
Meeting Date	May 7, 2020
<i>Motion that the Committee recommend to the Board approval of the Draft Recreation Policy for the Growth and Servicing Plan</i>	
<p>Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In May 2018, the Intermunicipal Servicing Committee added recreation to the list of services to be addressed in the Servicing Plan • On April 11, 2019, ISC directed administration to work with Recreation Servicing Technical Advisory Group (TAG) to develop a non-binding framework for regional collaboration on recreation and a definition for regional recreation. • In February 2020, the Board approved the 'Options for Enhancing Regional Recreation' report which summarizes the framework requested by the ISC. • Recreation is a policy area identified by HDR Calthorpe that can be advanced independently of the outcome of the scenario process, given the circumstances of COVID-19 • Recreation Servicing TAG and HDRC recommend the following draft recreation policy for the Growth and Servicing Plan • Additional policy areas such as recreation corridors will be discussed at future stages of HDRC's process. 	

1. Introduction

As summarized in the *Options for Enhancing Regional Recreation* report, the Board sees an opportunity for improved collaboration on regional recreation. The definition, purpose, objectives and policies flow from the report and were developed with input from Recreation Servicing TAG and HDRC.

2. Recommendation

That the Committee recommend to the Board for approval the Draft Recreation Policy for the Growth and Servicing Plan.

Draft Recreation Policy

Preamble

This policy brief focuses on recreation services delivered by government organizations for the benefit of individuals and communities. The recreation system across the Calgary Metropolitan Region is diverse, complex, and multifaceted. Recreation services provided by municipalities not only lead to residents and visitors being more physically active; it also brings people together and positively contributes to desired outcomes in other public service areas such as education, justice and health.

Collaboration to realize mutually agreed upon common outcomes may lead to achieving cost savings, reducing risk, sharing resources, sharing responsibility, increasing the quality of a service and other benefits. There are some areas of the CMR where collaboration is thriving currently, but areas where improvements can be made.

The CMRB recreation framework document, *Options for Enhancing Regional Recreation*, is non-binding and may be used to facilitate collaboration between willing parties. The definitions and policy outlined below were developed from the recreation framework document. Municipalities are interested in coordinating servicing efforts where greenfield developments within a potential recreation service benefitting area occur. Due to the high capital costs of recreation facilities, increasing operation and maintenance costs and the public's increasing demand for servicing, municipalities are finding it increasingly difficult to balance fiscal constraints with public demand for recreation. For these reasons, paired with a sincere interest for municipalities to provide residents a high quality of life, a more collaborative approach is being explored. Once a facility, program or service is defined as regional, areas for collaboration and coordination may include evidence-based planning for capital investment, operations and maintenance or facility planning.

Regional Recreation Definition

A regional recreation facility, space, program or service has a realistic potential of substantial use by, and broader benefits to, residents from outside the municipal boundaries in which it is provided.

Policy Purpose

The purpose of regional recreation policy is to strengthen collaboration on regional recreation initiatives in an evidence-based process to identify recreation needs across the CMR and improve the coordination, planning and delivery of recreation services.

Policy Objectives

- a. To establish a collaborative process for discussing regional recreation.
- b. To promote an evidence-based approach to decision-making.

Scope

This policy applies to member municipalities.

Policy

1. ESTABLISH A COLLABORATIVE PROCESS

1.1 Collaborative processes for regional recreation decision-making will build trust, be transparent, and respect an individual municipality's right to make its own recreation decisions.

1.2 To further voluntary regional collaboration, the CMRB will establish a recreation working group of member municipalities to facilitate collaboration by identifying areas of common interest, coordination, regional challenges and to share information.

2. PROMOTE AN EVIDENCE-BASED APPROACH TO DECISION-MAKING

2.1 When working together, member municipalities will establish processes that incorporate evidence-based decision making to the greatest extent possible.

2.1 Member municipalities will collect and share data in support of evidence-based approaches to decision-making at the regional level.

Agenda Item	8
Submitted to	Land Use and Servicing Committee
Purpose	For Discussion
Subject	Agricultural Lands
Meeting Date	May 7, 2020
<i>Motion that the Committee discuss policy issues and questions around agricultural lands</i>	
<p>Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Agriculture Background Report was approved by the Board in April 2020 that focuses on the growth of agriculture as an economic development and diversification opportunity. • Page 1 of the Agriculture Background Report notes that “this report does not discuss policy implementation tools related to the efficient use of land such as transfer of development credit programs, agricultural conservation areas, growth boundaries, or similar. The use of these tools is a potential aspect of planning for growth areas and within the scope of HDR Calthorpe’s scenario work.” • HDR Calthorpe has provided a memo that outlines some policy issues and questions for discussion by the Committee around agricultural lands. • The purpose of these questions is to help HDR Calthorpe scope which implementation tools around the efficient use of land would support the success of agriculture in the CMR. • These questions are intended to generate discussion and are intended to be challenging and may generate controversy. This is a preliminary scoping discussion only to help HDR Calthorpe understand the local context of the CMR. • HDR Calthorpe will provide a brief follow-up “what we heard” summary of the Committee discussion, the suggested scope of the policy area given the feedback, and a suggested path forward for developing policy related agricultural lands for the feedback of members. 	
<p>Attachments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Memo re: Policy issues for potential further discussion with the Growth and Servicing Committee (Agricultural Lands), HDR Calthorpe 	

To: Jordon Copping
From: Charlie Hales
CC: Peter Calthorpe, Clark Williams, Stephen Power
Date: April 28, 2020
Re: Policy issues for potential further discussion with the Growth and Servicing Committee

As described in our brief report at the last Committee, there are a number of policy issues and questions that we believe merit further discussion among policymakers beginning even before their consideration of the alternative scenarios. These issues are raised by our review of the relevant background reports. The three areas noted are:

- Agricultural lands
- Flood-prone areas
- Recreation

We will incorporate proposed supporting policies in our final draft document that will address some of these issues and questions. In the meantime, they merit further discussion by the Committee and the Board.

The focus of this discussion is agricultural lands. Noting in **bold** the **issues and questions for possible discussion** in each area of policy. These questions are meant to generate thought and discussion on some, but not all, elements of policy.

AGRICULTURAL LANDS

The background report sets as a goal “more places to grow, share and sell food.”

Aside from preservation of the agricultural land base, are there other strategies or initiatives that could be considered to achieve this overarching goal?

The background report suggests that the Growth and Servicing Plan itself, as well as MDPs and ASPs “encourage compatible land uses” and “mitigate negative impacts” with respect to agricultural lands.

Country residential development and non-contiguous residential development are typically noted as creating conflicts in agricultural areas. The results of our analytical process have identified that there is a greater supply of country residential land in the CMR than there is demand over the timeframe of the plan.

- **What limits could or should be placed on where or on how much country residential development is allowed?**

Annexation has also been noted as a key factor in the loss of agricultural land. The results of our analytical process have identified that there is a greater supply of land for urban development in the CMR than there is demand.

- **Should new urban growth generally be limited to urban development in towns, cities and selected hamlets in rural municipalities, within existing boundaries?**

Other considerations HDRC should know about?

- **Are there other key land uses that create conflicts when developed in agricultural areas that require further investigation by HDRC?**

As identified in the CMR's Agriculture Background Report, there is a significant amount of good agricultural land in the Region but limited amounts of irrigated agricultural land.

- **Should there be enhanced limitations on development in irrigated agricultural areas?**

The Agriculture Background Report sets as a goal "more places to grow, share and sell food." The Background Report identifies a strategy to of concentrating agriculturally related businesses into regionally significant nodes, especially in areas located in proximity to producers.

- **Where are the opportunities for regional agricultural hubs? These hubs might be for processing, agri-tourism, warehousing and transportation, etc.**