The Goal of Envision Route 7
Identify the best transit option for the corridor. One that...
connects people and businesses to economic opportunity
improves mobility and relieves congestion

Creating a Vision for Route 7
Requires that we...
identify the mode of transit and route for service
determine the level of public support
assess the financial, economic and technical viability
identify steps to move the project forward

INTERESTING FACTS
Route 7/Leesburg Pike
...began as a buffalo trail connecting the Potomac River in present-day Old Town Alexandria to the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains at Leesburg.
...called the Great Eastern Ridge Road by the Necostin Indians until they abandoned it in the late 1670s to traders, colonists and early postal carriers.
...included in Lord William Fairfax’s original royal grant and first appeared on a plat prepared for him in 1739.
...became home in 1837 to Hachaliah Bailey, one of the nation’s first elephant owners and the father of the American circus. Bailey’s son Lewis, a clown whose circus would stop in Alexandria, made Hachaliah aware of the 536 acres for sale.
...saw tolls levied beginning in 1785 to pay for maintenance but the advent of the Civil War put an end to the practice.
...supported a Confederate fort that was stocked with faux artillery, tree trunks made to look like weapons. Called “Quaker guns,” after the religious sect’s aversion to war, the tree trunks fooled the Union army.
...was the site of President Abraham Lincoln’s 1861 formal military review of 50,000 Union troops, a spectacle that inspired Julia Ward Howe to write “The Battle Hymn of the Republic.”

Route 7 Public Meetings
Learn about projected ridership and costs for the three transit modes — light rail, bus rapid transit, and enhanced bus service — being considered for Route 7. Meetings are from 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday November 4
Alexandria Health Department Building
5th Floor Conference Room
4480 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302

Tuesday November 10
Mary Ellen Henderson Middle School
Ground Floor Cafeteria
7130 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22043

Wednesday November 18
Glen Forest Elementary School
Ground Floor Cafeteria
5829 Glen Forest Dr., Falls Church, VA 22043

Learn more at www.envisionroute7.com/transit_options
WHY ENVISION ROUTE 7?
To ensure transit options that...
accommodate 2040 growth
• the population will increase by 36% to 743,300
• there will be a need for 82,200 new residential units
• the number of jobs will grow by 34% to 736,100
• there will be a need for 32.2-million square feet of new office space to meet additional demand and replace obsolete space
support all households
• 7% live below the poverty level
• 10% have annual incomes less than $25,000
• 14% earn between $25,000 and $49,999 annually
• 28% have annual incomes between $50,000 and $99,999
• 47% earn more than $100,000 annually
improve mobility and access
• relieve congestion
• connect business to workers
• improve commute times
• improve travel-time reliability

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and amplify our message by...
retweeting and sharing with your followers and friends

Attend November’s public meetings to learn about projected ridership and cost for possible routes, including:
LRT from Tysons to Van Dorn Street Metrorail Station via East Falls Church Metrorail Station
BRT from Tysons to Van Dorn Street Metrorail Station via East Falls Church Metrorail Station
BRT from Tysons to King Street Metrorail Station via East Falls Church Metrorail Station