

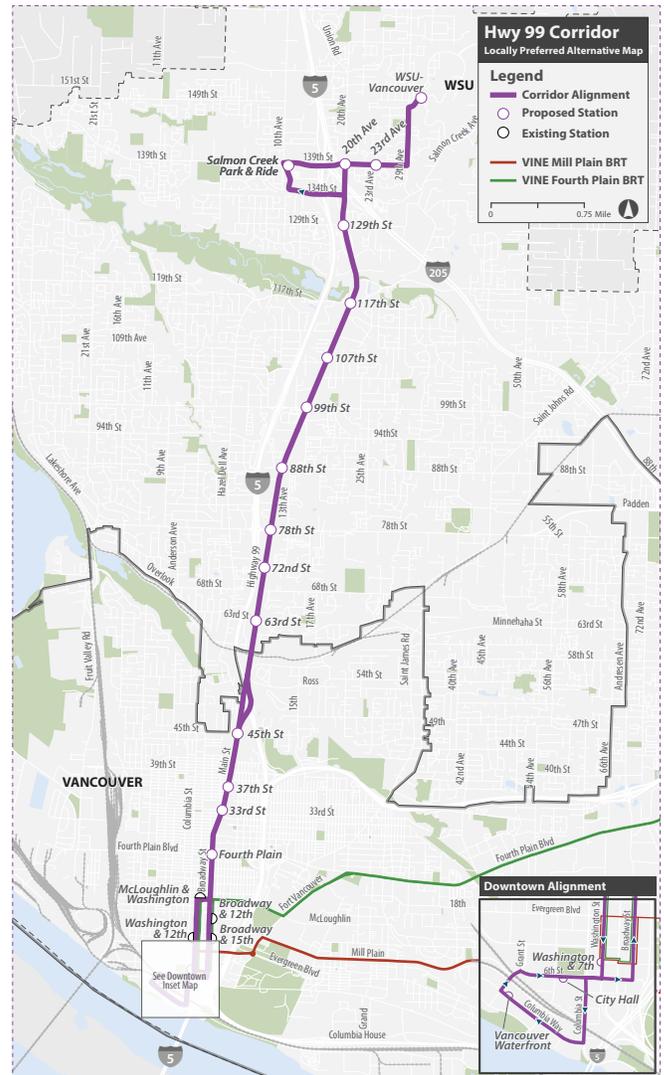
GROWING THE VINE

C-TRAN is adding a third branch of The Vine, the agency's successful bus rapid transit (BRT) system that debuted in 2017. The Vine on Highway 99, known as the Purple Line, will serve the Highway 99 and Main Street corridors in Clark County and the City of Vancouver. In 2017, C-TRAN launched The Vine on Vancouver's Fourth Plain corridor. In 2023, the second branch of The Vine began operating along Mill Plain Boulevard. The Vine uses 60-foot articulated buses, improved station design, traffic signal priority, level boarding platforms, and other features to move passengers more efficiently and reliably. The Vine on Highway 99 will build on the success of The Vine on Fourth Plain and Mill Plain.



WHY HIGHWAY 99?

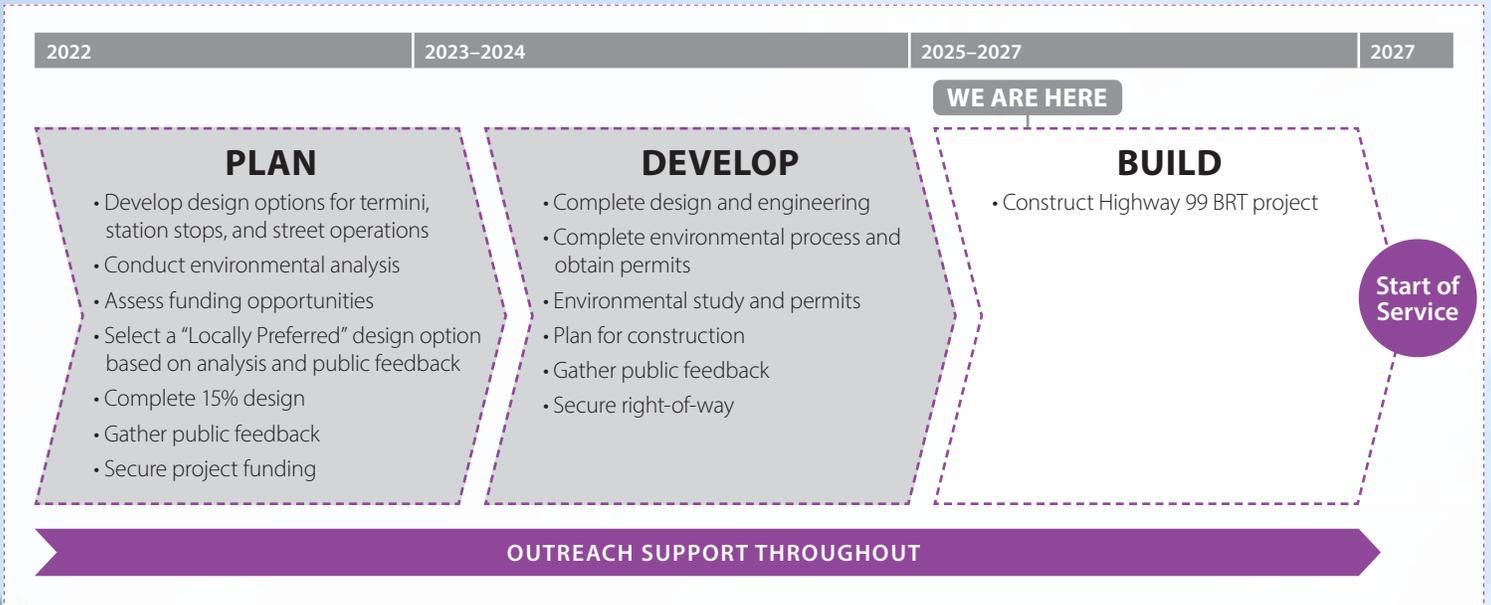
- Highway 99 is C-TRAN's third-busiest corridor, and a major north-south connection in Vancouver and Clark County. This corridor is a critical component for increasing transit capacity.
- The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council (RTC) identified the corridor as a top priority for enhancing transit in 2008.
- The C-TRAN Board approved moving forward with BRT on Highway 99 in March 2022, and approved the project's Locally Preferred Alternative in March 2023.
- C-TRAN has recently invested additional service toward the existing routes that serve the Highway 99 corridor, Routes 71 and 19. The Vine on Highway 99 will build on those investments.



THE VINE ON HIGHWAY 99 AT A GLANCE	
Length of corridor	Approximately 9 miles
Northern terminus	WSU Vancouver in Salmon Creek
Southern terminus	Downtown Vancouver and the Vancouver Waterfront
Funding sources	Washington State Department of Transportation, RTC Transportation Investment Program, federal and local C-TRAN funding
Scheduled opening	2027

THE PROCESS AND TIMELINE

Construction for The Vine on Highway 99 began in 2025. Work will happen in phases, meaning different locations will see activity at different times. Construction is expected to last about two years, with service beginning in 2027.



OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

Highway 99 and Main Street are unique corridors with their own identities. C-TRAN currently operates multiple routes through this area, including Routes 71 and 19, and portions of Routes 31 and 78. As the region continues to grow and change, new transportation solutions are vital to maintaining the quality of life in Vancouver and Clark County.

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