

2015 FRA Rail Program Delivery



Baltimore & Potomac (B&P) Tunnel Maryland DOT – Jacqueline Thorne FRA – Jeff Price

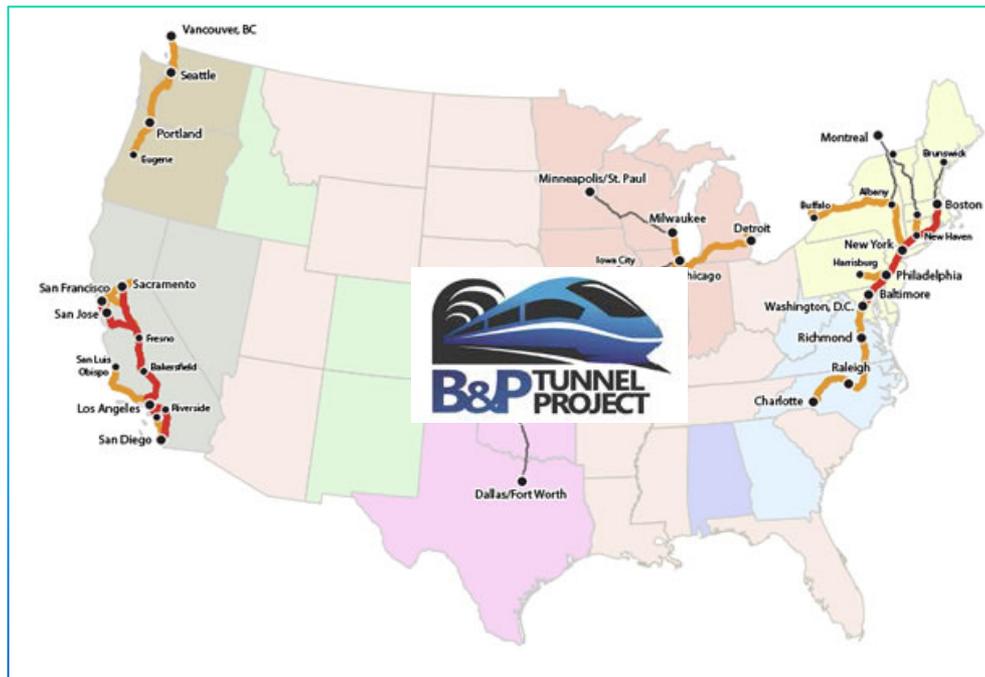
Project Funding

- MDOT was awarded a \$60 million High Speed Intermodal Passenger Rail (HSIPR) grant from FRA
- Grant covers Environmental Impact Statements and preliminary design (30%) efforts
- Grant does NOT include funds for final design or construction

High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail (HSIPR) Program

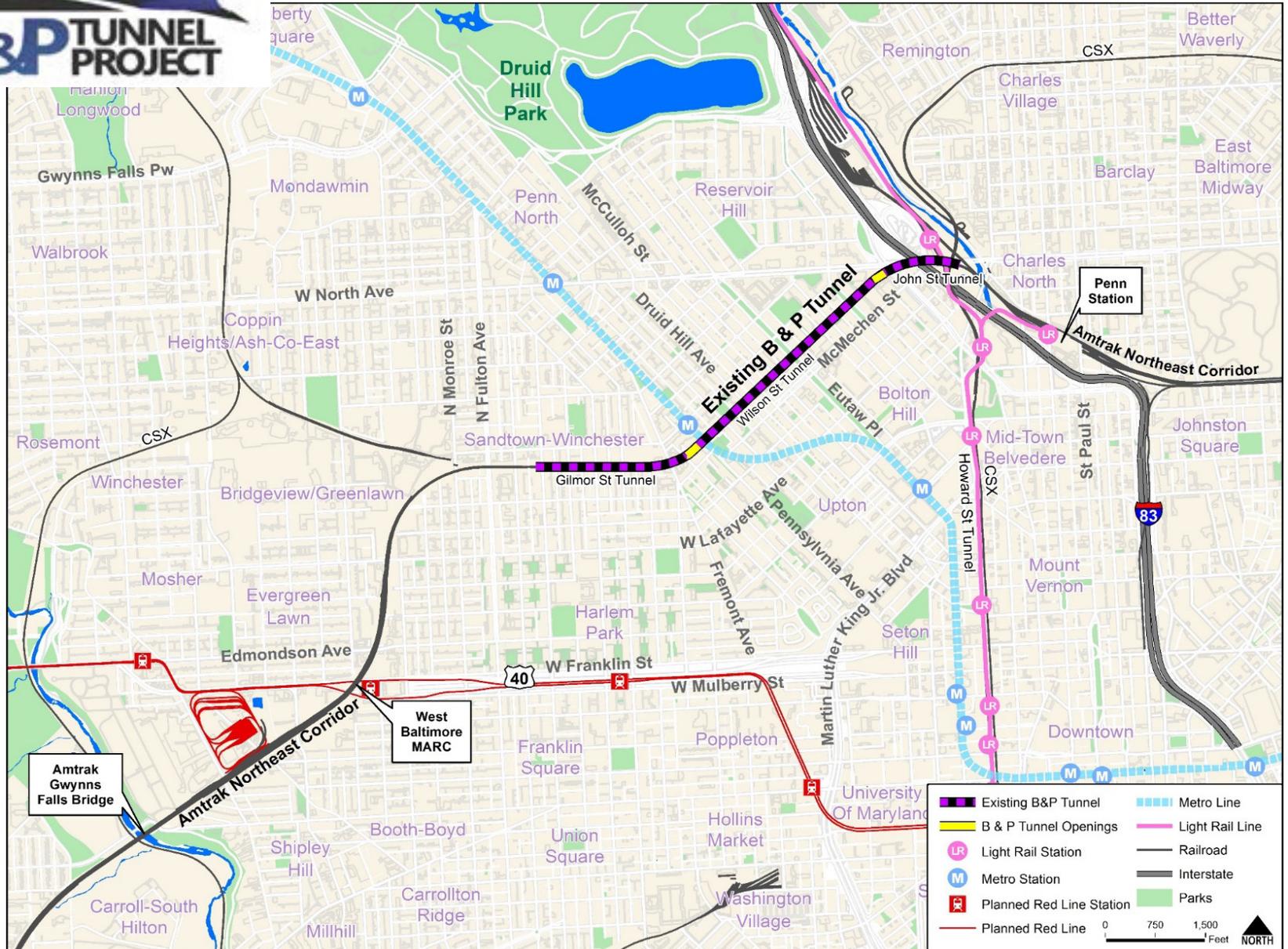
Unprecedented Investment in Rail Infrastructure

FRA has solicited applications for more than \$10 billion in grant funding. To date, 39 states, the District of Columbia, and Amtrak have submitted applications requesting more than \$75 billion—well in excess of the available funding—for projects and corridors in every region of the country. Approximately 99% of the nearly \$10.1 billion allocated to the HSIPR Program across funding sources has been obligated.

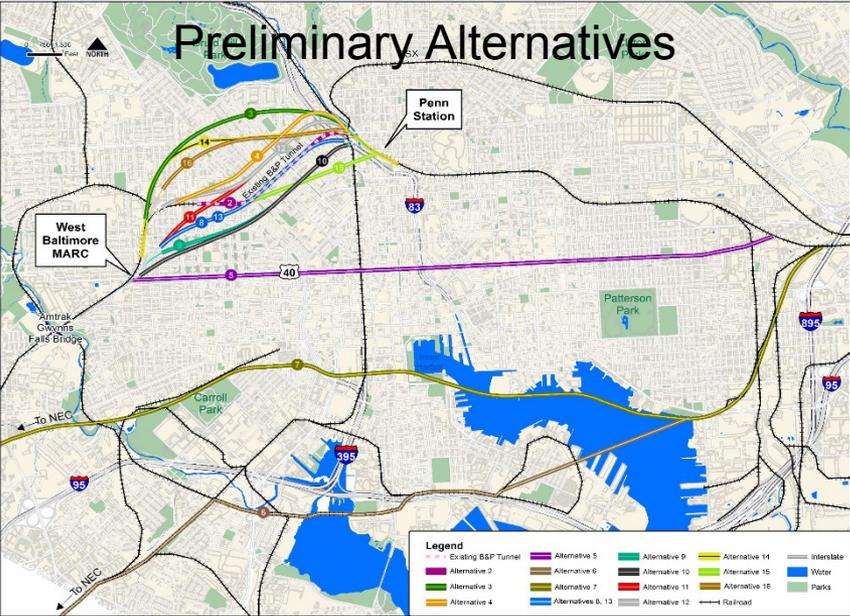




Tunnel Location



Replacing Critical Infrastructure on NEC

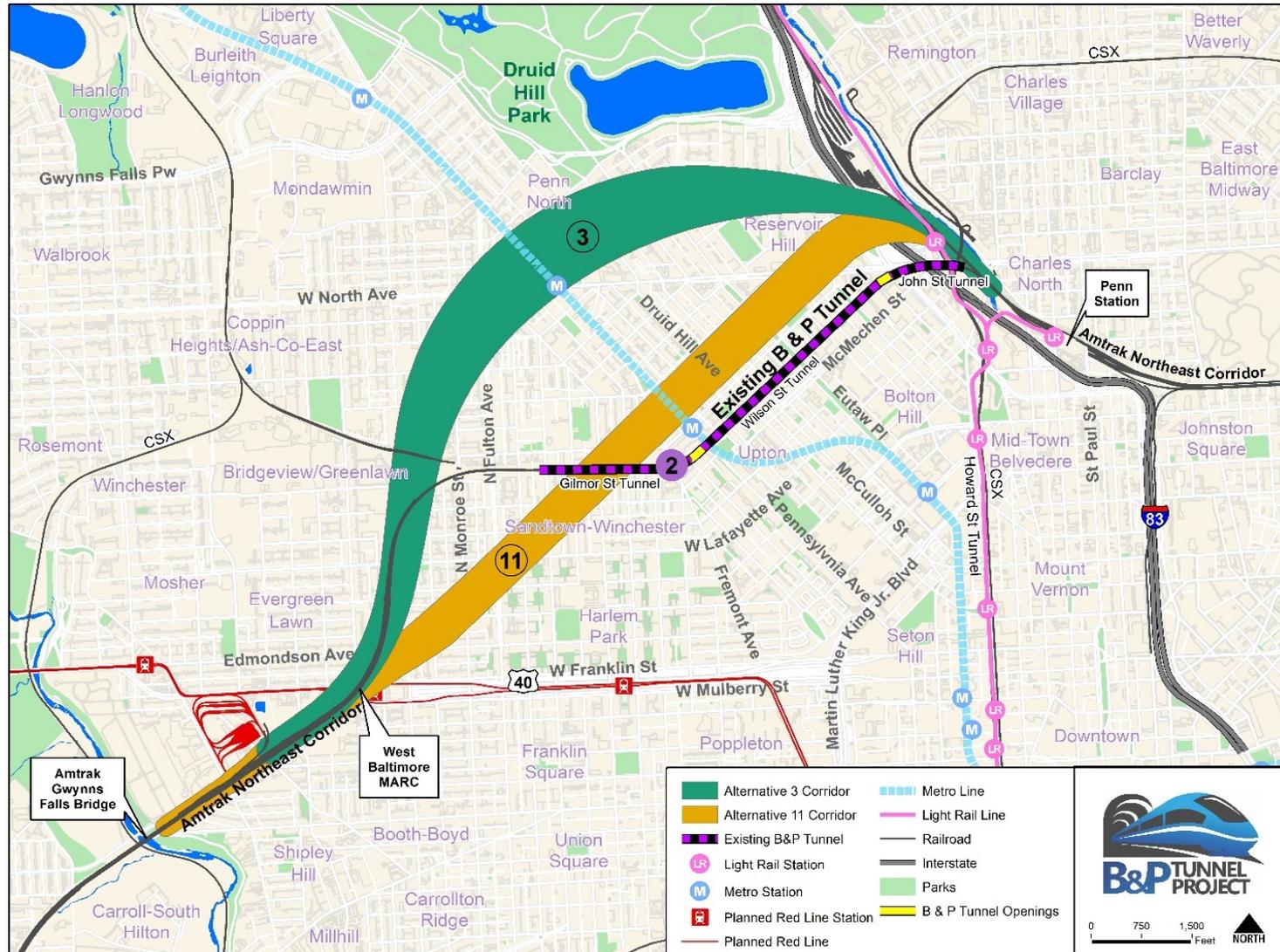




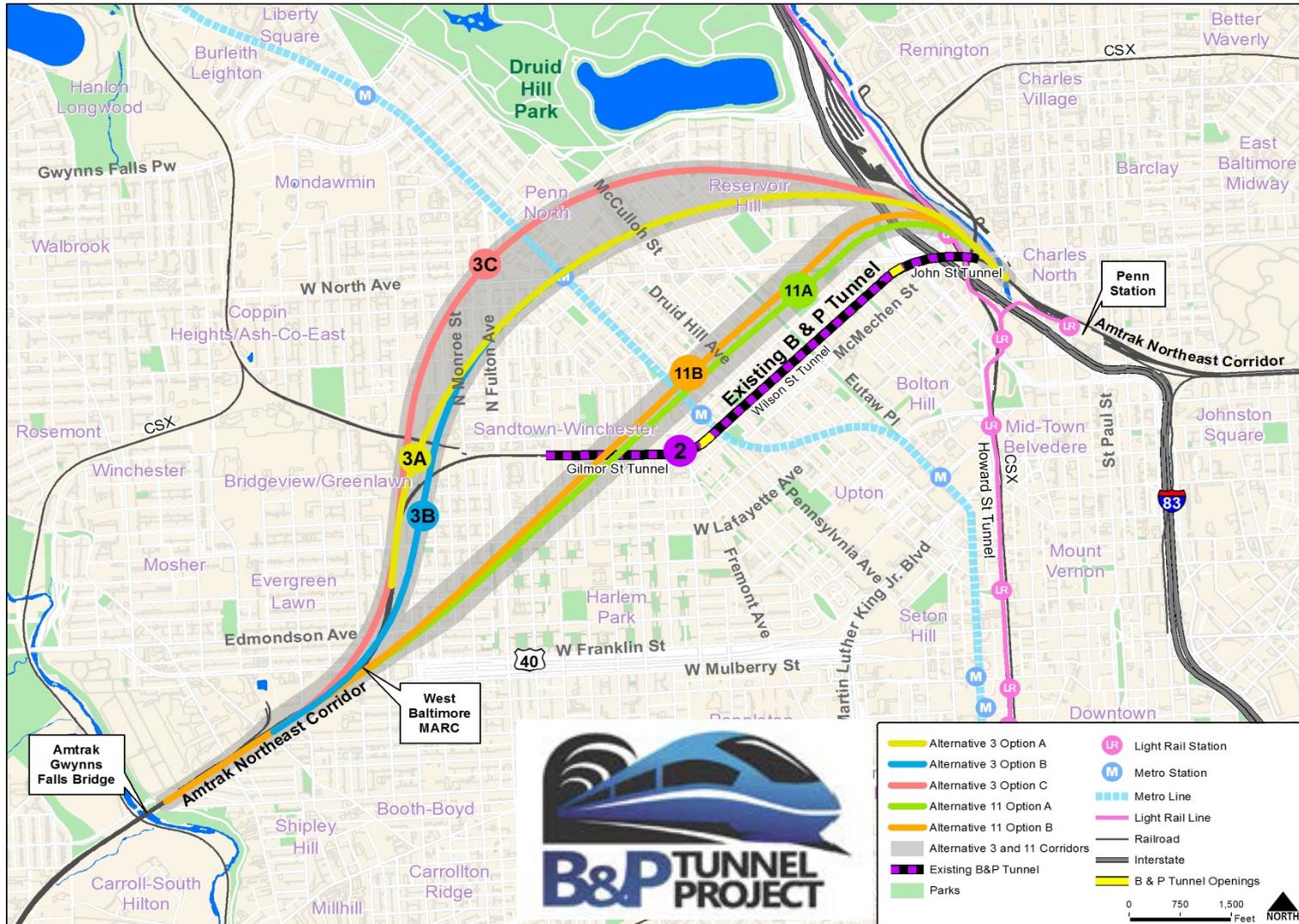
Lessons Learned

- **Effectively engaging multiple stakeholders to evaluate alternatives**
 - Federal, state, and local agencies
 - Users of infrastructure
 - Public
 - Team members
 - Prepared for Change
 - Communication

Alternatives Retained



Refined Alternatives





Project Status

Scoping - Complete

Purpose and Need Statement - Complete

Public Involvement and Stakeholder Outreach - Ongoing

Inspection of Existing Tunnel - Complete

Design Criteria for New Tunnel - Complete

Preliminary Alternatives and Screening Report - Complete

Alternatives Report – Complete

Conceptual Engineering – 9/2015

Draft EIS – 1/2016

Final EIS – 2/2017

PE Package– 3/2017

Record of Decision – 4/2017



Thank You

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