

#### Land Acknowledgement

In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Iyhare Nakoda (the Wesley, Chiniki, and Bearspaw), the three Nations of the Blackfoot Confederacy:

the Pikani, Kainai and Siksika; the Tsuu T'ina Nation,

Metis Nation Region 3 and the Kootenay 
the traditional stewards and trail builders who continue to reside, learn and care for this exquisite natural and cultural landscape.





## Introductions

### Agenda

Project Background Transit Service Options

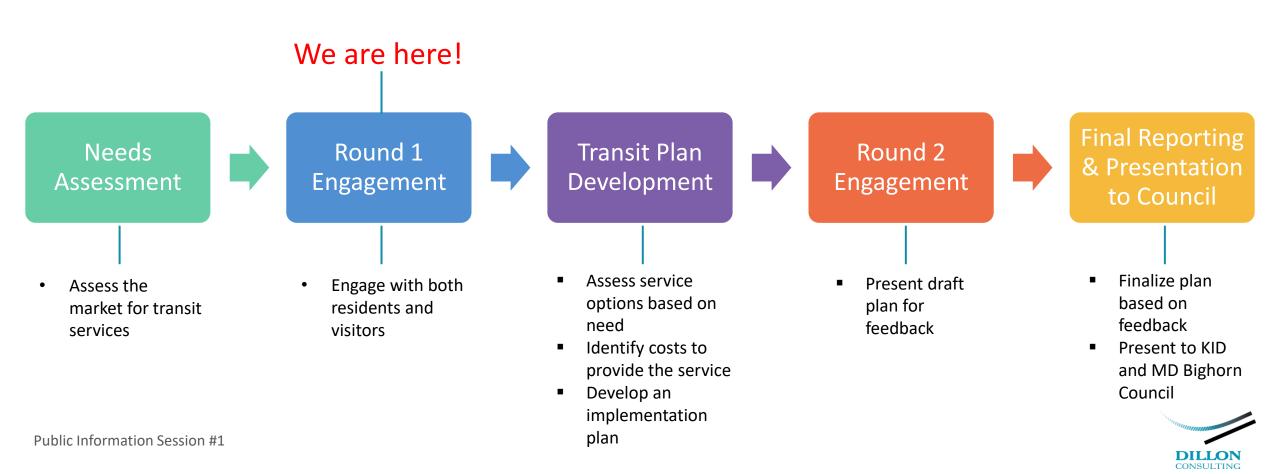
Question & Answer

**Next Steps** 



### **Project Background**

# Purpose: Assess the feasibility of introducing a transit service within KID and the MD of Bighorn



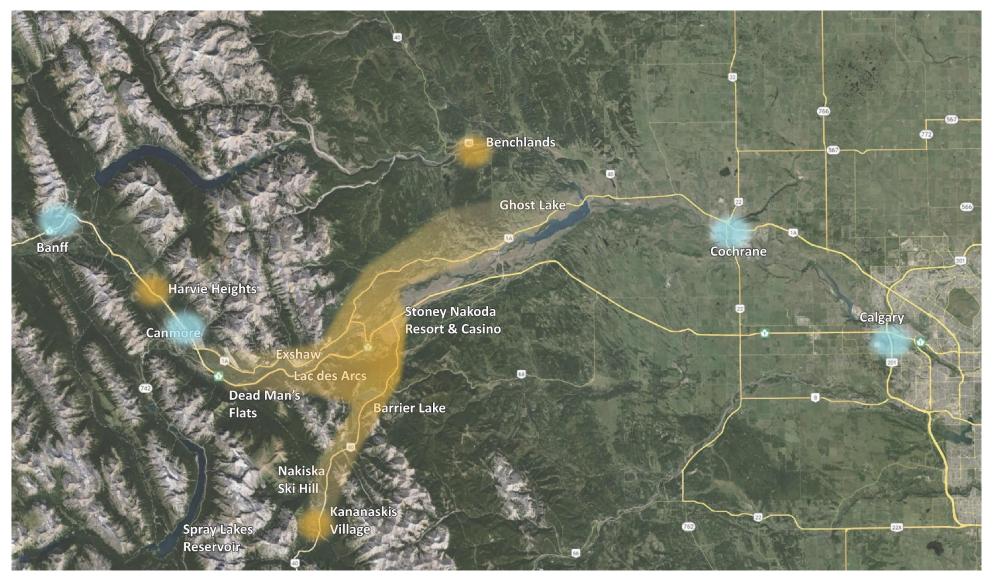
#### **Need for Transit**

- Increased traffic congestion and parking overflow
- Greater concern over sustainability and protecting the natural environment
- More people choosing not to own an automobile
- Increase people's mobility and accessibility of points of interest in the area
- Helps address housing affordability concerns with rising cost of living
- Need to provide access to hospitals, medical appointments, employment, training and education
- Provide options to participate in recreation activities





### Study Area









# Types of Transit Services

#### **Fixed-Route Transit**

- Traditional transit service
- Passengers are required to walk/ roll to/ from a fixed stop
- Operates pre-defined schedule and route without deviation
- Best suited for high demand areas/ periods or long-distance trips connecting urban areas
- Not suitable for dispersed rural areas



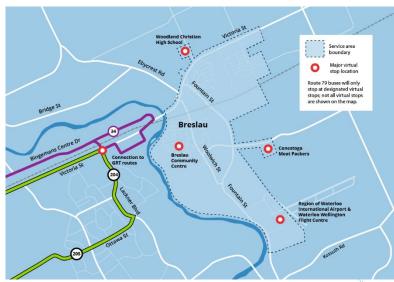




#### **On-Demand Transit**

- Shared-ride service that does not operate a fixedroute or schedule
- Operates within pre-defined service area and period
- Passengers must book a pick-up using a mobile app or by calling in (signal reliability is important)
- Software in place to optimize potential for ridesharing using the most direct trip
- Passengers can be picked up at fixed-stops or virtual stops
- Best suited for low-demand periods or large rural area





#### **On-Demand Transit**

#### **Book your Trip**

Identify start and end point and desired pick-up time using smartphone app

#### Ride Pick-Up

Walk/roll to accessible stop and wait for ride

#### **Transit Drop-off / Transfer**

Get dropped off at stop within a zone or a transit terminal or transfer point

#### **CUSTOMERS**







#### **OPERATORS**

#### **Directions**

Follow turn-by-turn directions on tablet mounted on the vehicle to pick-up and dropoff passengers

#### **Pick-up Passengers**

Pick-up passengers at bus stop or at curb for persons with disabilities

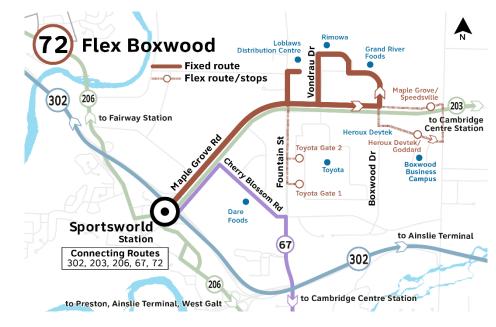
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#### Flex-Route Transit

- Fixed-route that can deviate off-route to pick up and drop off passengers when requested
- Hybrid of Fixed-route and On-Demand
- Fixed portion best suited for highest demand areas / periods or longdistance trips connecting urban areas
- Flex portion best suited for local areas that do not have consistent ridership







### **Specialized Transit**

- Door-to-door service for persons with disabilities
- Requires use of smaller accessible vehicles that are pre-booked
- Requires eligibility criteria and application process



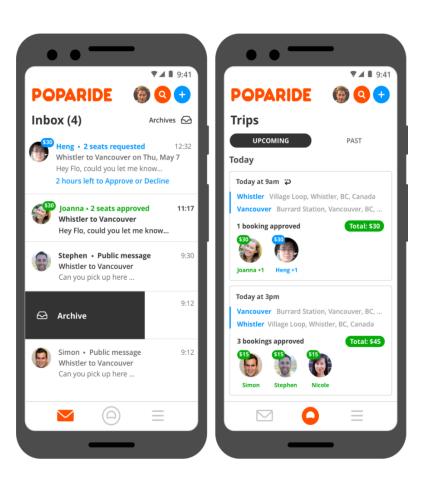




#### Taxi / Carshare Integration

#### Taxi-sharing

- Provide fare subsidy on shared-ride taxi service (full trip, or first-mile, last-mile)
- Can be unreliable if there are few quality transportation providers in the region
- Difficult to control costs, as ridesharing is limited
- Best suited where there is a high available of transportation providers and low demand
- Carpool/ Carshare Platform
  - Provide a platform where people can discover residents willing to carpool or share a ride
  - Can be unreliable if there are few people travelling to the same destination
  - Not as effective for frequent trips
  - Minimal cost to the municipality







Visitors Residents



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Settlement Areas



Residents

Rural Areas



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Local







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Inter-community



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**Extended Hours** 









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Inter-community

Higher Frequency



Visitors

Settlement Areas

Local

**Extended Hours** 

Lower Fares



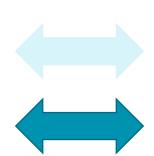
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Higher Frequency

More Service









### Discussion

### Open Forum

Use the chat box on Zoom to ask a question

We will try to get through as many as we can!





#### Questions – Service Options

- We described five types of transit services.
- Do you have any questions about the options we should consider?

#### Fixed-Route Transit

 Traditional transit service operating at a pre-defined schedule and route

#### On-Demand Transit

 Shared-ride service operating within predefined service area and period that does not have a fixedroute or schedule

#### Flex-Route Transit

 Combination of Fixed-Route and On-Demand Transit

#### **Specialized Transit**

 Door-to-door service for persons with disabilities

# Taxi/ Carshare Integration

- Subsidized shared-ride taxi
- Carpooling with the assistance of online platform



#### Instructions to Menti

Let's hop on to **Mentimeter**!

• Access menti.com and key in "2891 4087".



Enter the code to join

It's on the screen in front of you

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Join



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### Take the Survey!

# Take Transit Survey!

We invite you to participate in a short survey to better understand your thoughts on transit!

Kananaskis Webpage https://www.kananaskisid.ca/p/transit



MD of Bighorn Webpage <a href="https://mdbighorn.ca/745/Transit-Feasibility-Study">https://mdbighorn.ca/745/Transit-Feasibility-Study</a>





#### **Next Steps**

Summary of Round One Engagement Feedback – Spring 2024 Develop a Transit
Plan –
Spring/Summer
2024

Round Two
Engagement –
Summer/Fall 2024

Final Report and Presentation to Council – Fall & Winter 2024



