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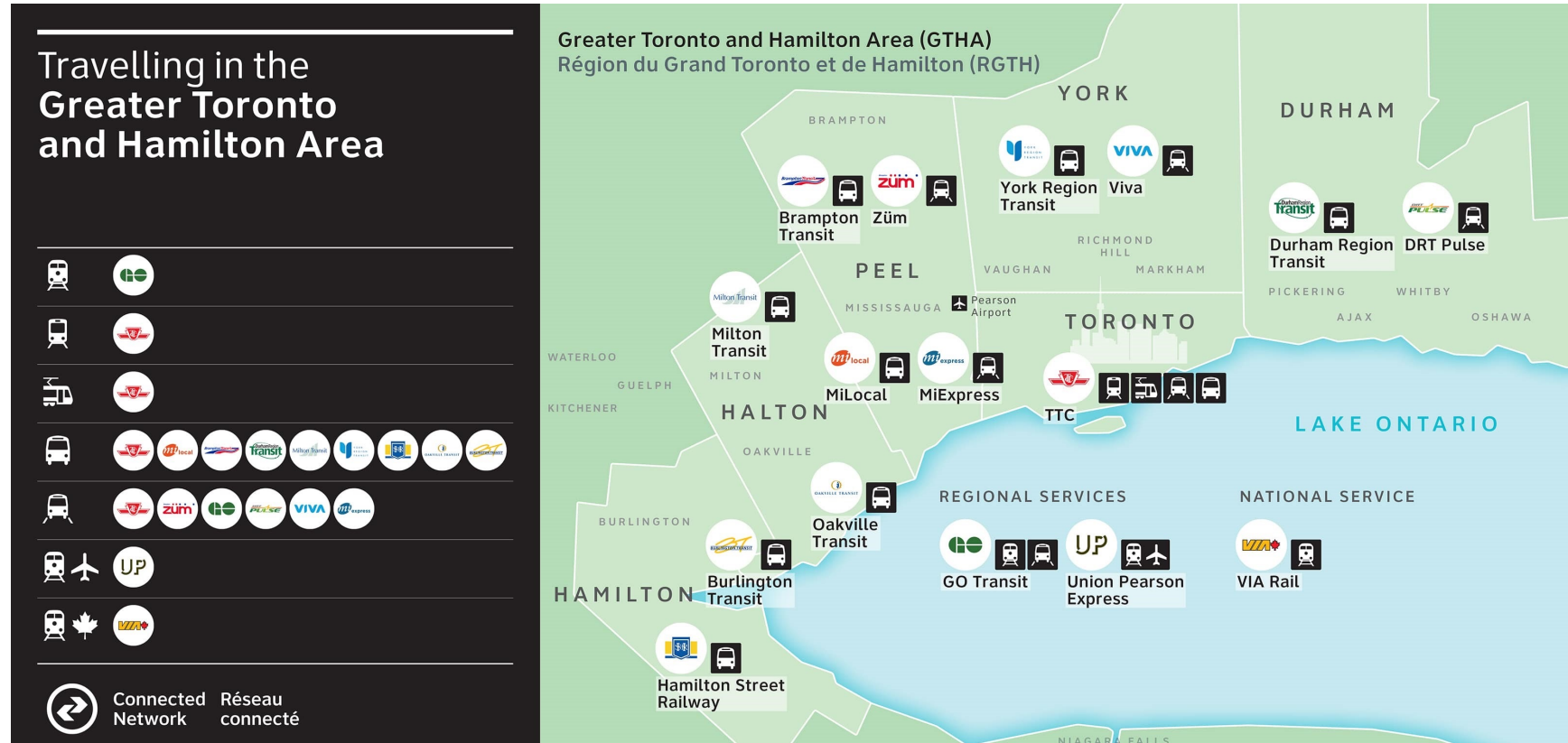
A Seamless Transit Network for the Toronto Region

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Greater Toronto Region

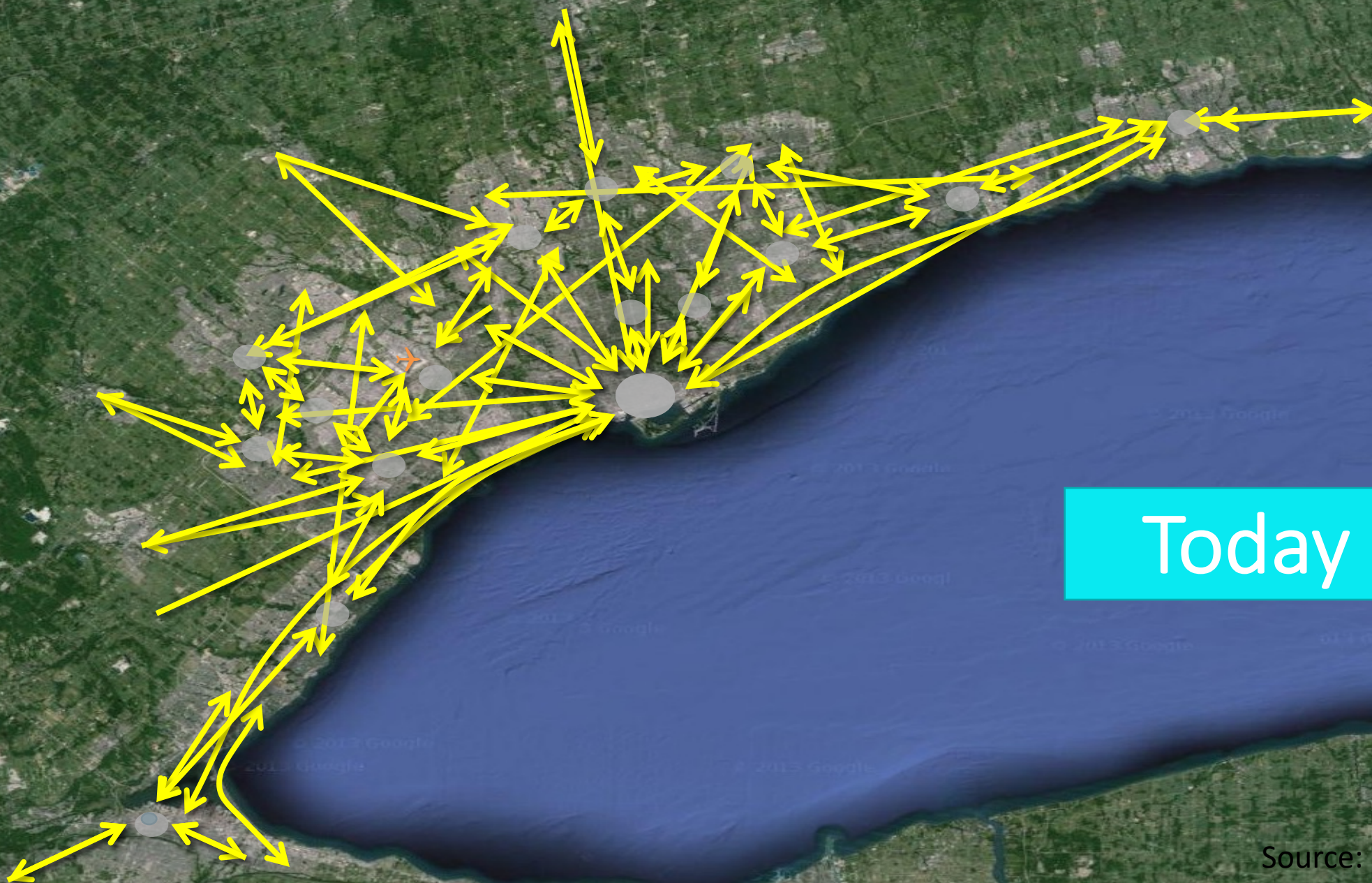
- 7M+ people
- 8,200 km²
- 30 Municipalities
- 10 Transit Operators



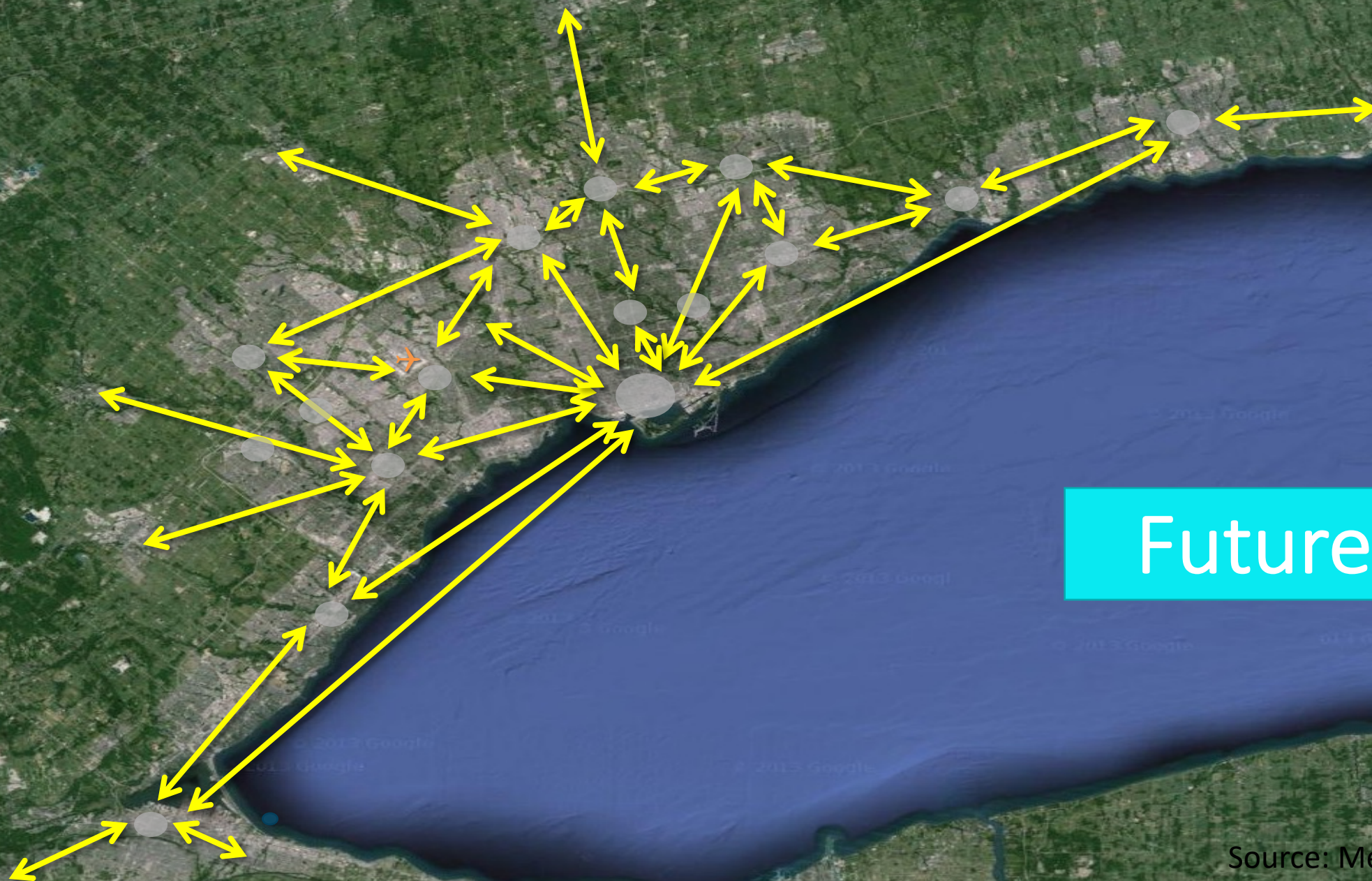
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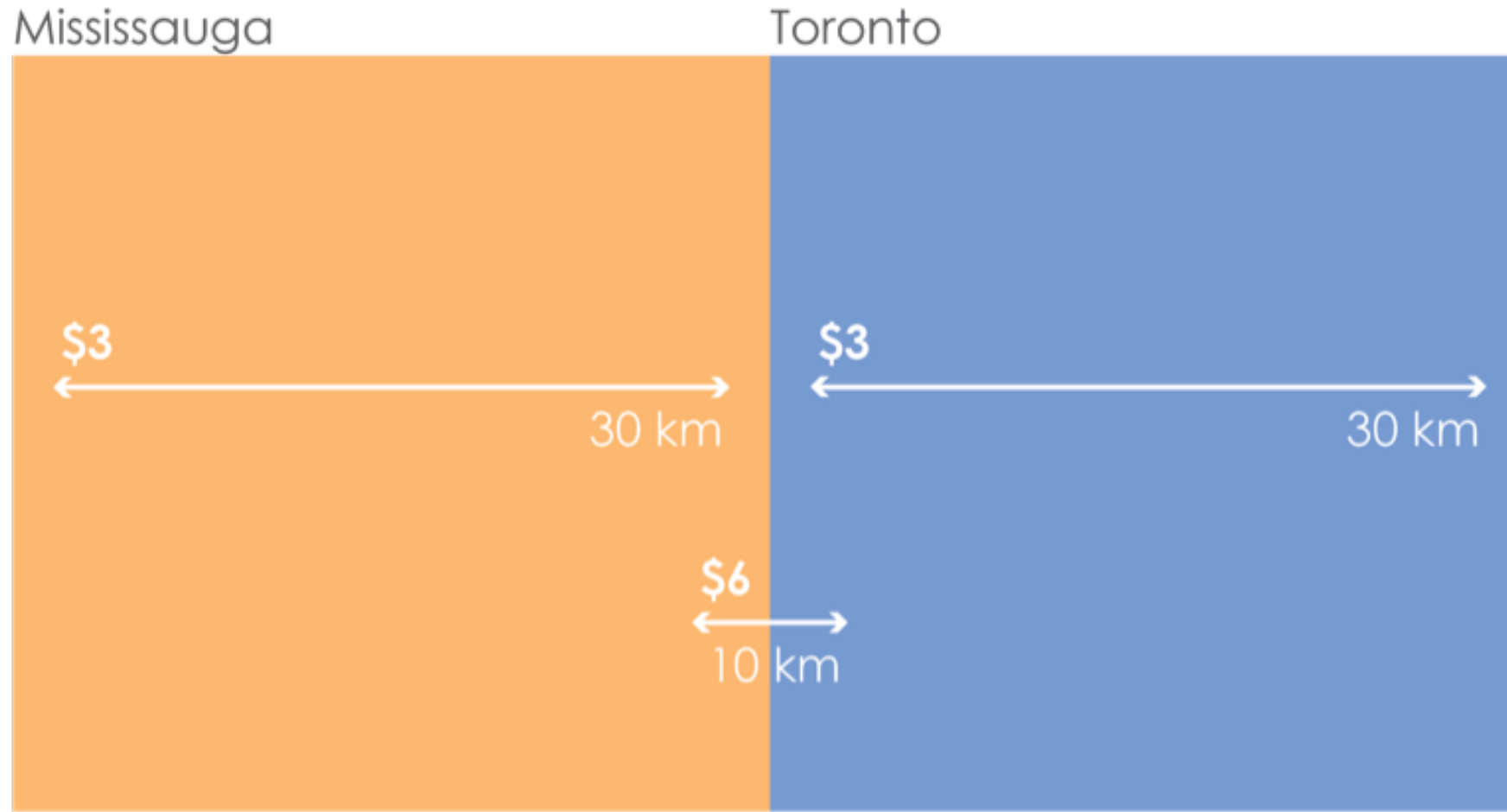


Today



Future

On-going Network Integration Challenges



Source: Metrolinx

The 2041 RTP Review process

Regional Transportation Plan Milestones



The Big Move

DEC 2008



Baseline
Monitoring
Report

SEPT 2013



Discussion
Paper for the
RTP

AUG 2016



Residents'
Reference
Panel

MAR 2017



Draft RTP

SEPT 2017



Consultation

FALL 2017



2041 RTP

MAR 2018

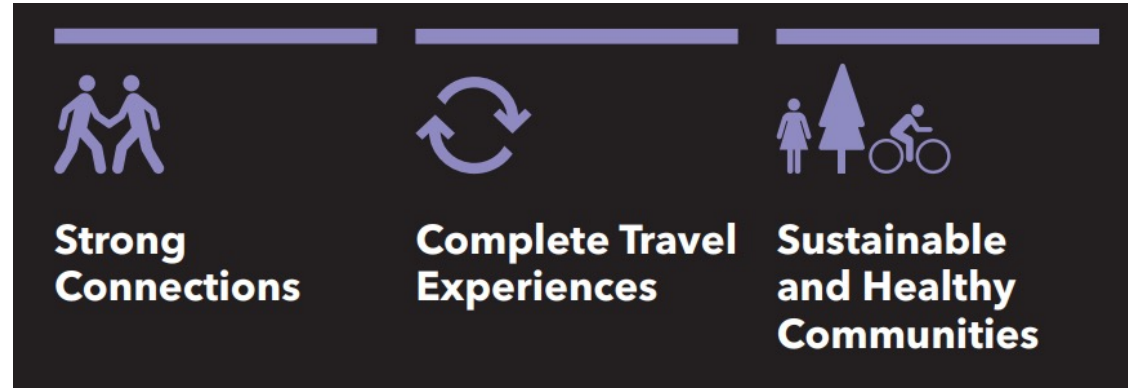


Making it
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2041 Regional Transportation Plan

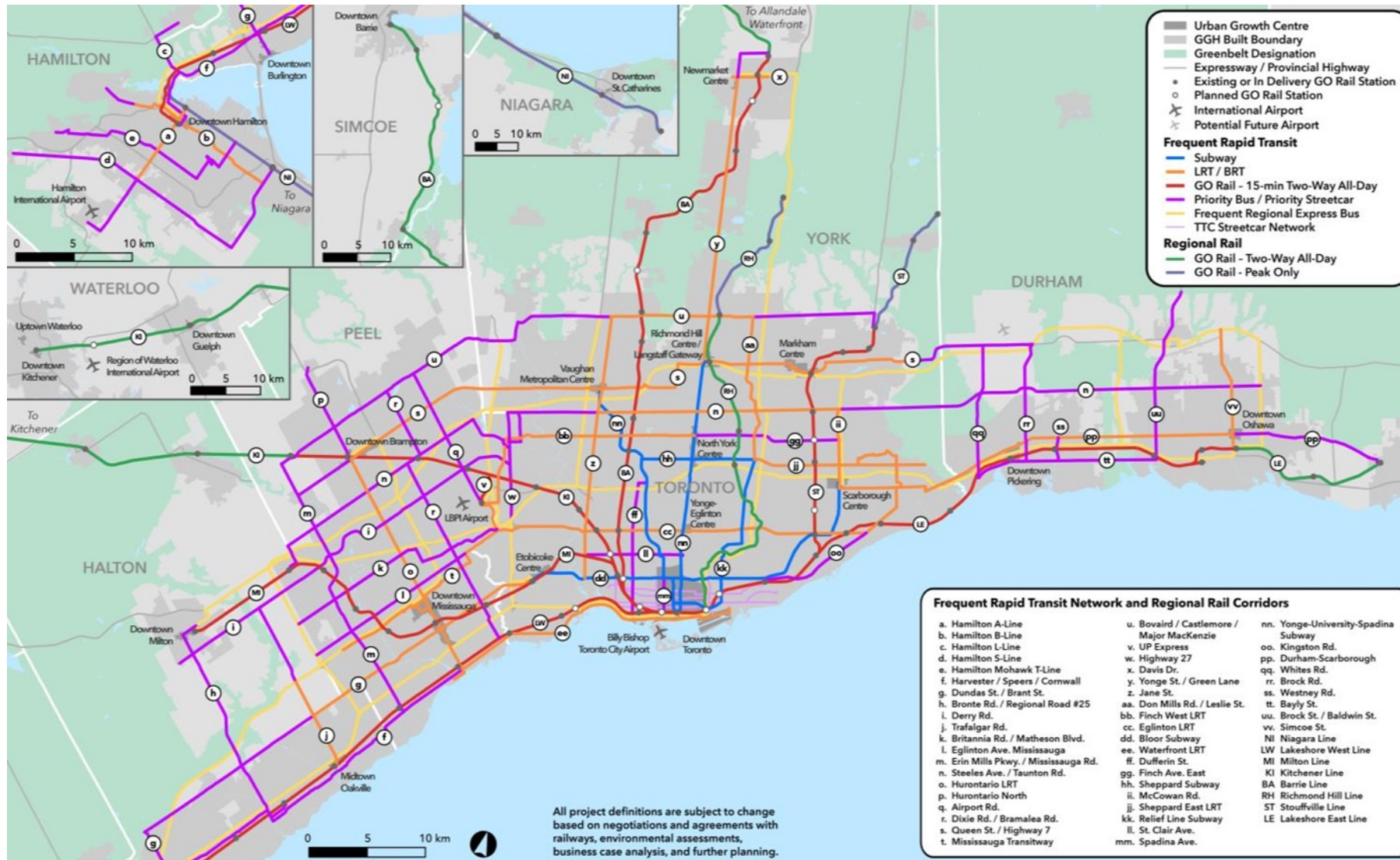


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- ✓ Multimodal
- ✓ Regional
- ✓ Long-Range Aspirational

2041 Frequent Rapid Transit Network

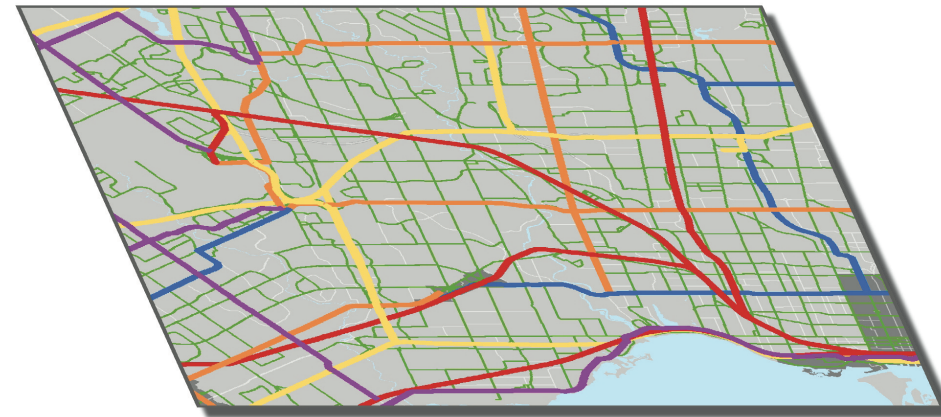
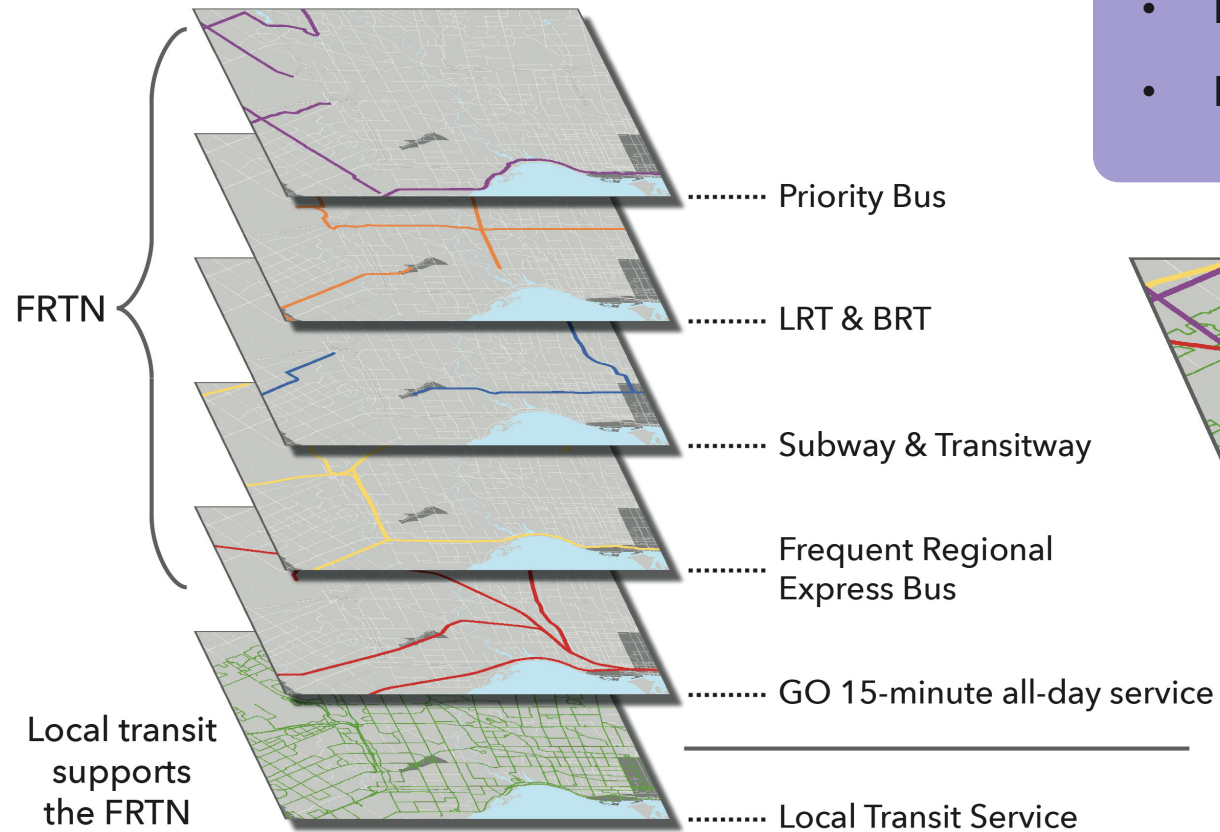


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Connecting Transit Services



- **Integrated, seamless network**
- **Fast, reliable service**
- **Frequent (every 10-15 minutes all-day)**



Key Principles

- Metrolinx FRTN



Criteria

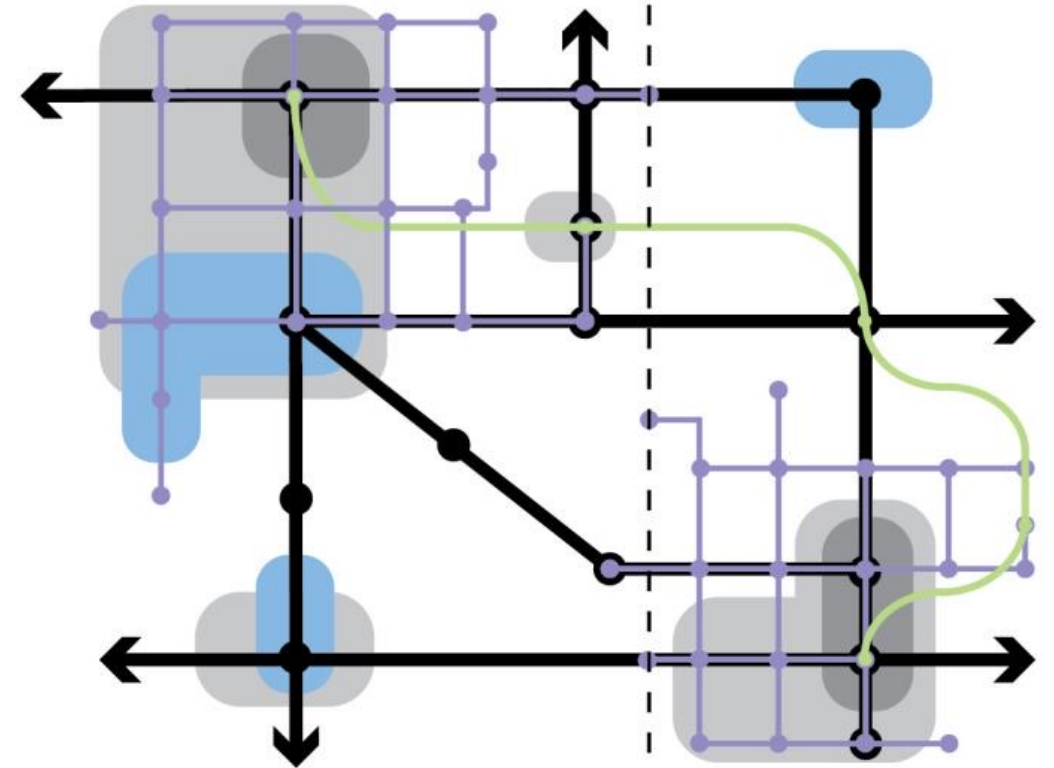
- Regionally significant routes
- Congested, high demand corridors
- Connects major centres (UGCs, employment areas, large institutions)
- Serves areas of high population and employment density
- Serves low income areas
- Fills gaps in service where transit times are not competitive with the car
- Efficient transfers and integration with local and regional routes

Characteristics

- Frequent: 10-15 minute all-day service, seven days a week
- Reliable: signal priority measures and traffic protection
- Fast: wide spacing between stops
- Efficient transfers between services

Components

- Subway
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
- Light Rail Transit (LRT)
- GO Rail 15-minute all-day service
- Priority Bus



Focusing on the Traveller



- Regardless of mode and municipal boundaries, travellers:
 - have high expectations, and
 - want consistent, reliable, convenient, clean and low-cost travel options



Metrolinx Residents' Reference Panel

Source: Metrolinx

Outcomes to Support Plan Implementation



1

‘Implementors’
working together
from the start =
shared vision

2

Common network
planning framework

3

Agreed package of
policy ‘carrots and
sticks’ to apply at all
levels

Institutional Arrangements – Lessons Learned



1

Bringing the ‘implementors’ together from the start builds legitimacy for the process and the vision

2

Shared frameworks for prioritization and phasing can lead to more coordinated implementation/funding

3

However, shared vision generally not sufficient to overcome the limitations of challenging institutional arrangements

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