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Project History

Development of the project began in 1998 with a federally compliant Alternatives Analysis, which determined that BRT service operating on shoulder lanes with improved station and park-and-ride facilities is the most effective option for delivering convenient high-frequency transit service. Design and environmental work followed, with the project receiving clearance to proceed by the Federal Highway Administration in 2010.

Construction of the transitway occurred from 2011 through mid-2013. Operation of the METRO Red Line service began on June 22, 2013.

In addition to transit improvements, this project also better facilitates automobile, pedestrian and bicycle traffic through widened sidewalks, new pavement, new traffic signals and expanded intersections with additional turn lanes.

Roadway and station construction was funded through multiple sources, including the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Transit Administration, the State of Minnesota, Dakota County, the Counties Transit Improvement Board and the cities of Apple Valley and Lakeville.

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