

2014 FRA
Rail Program Delivery



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Planning for Passenger Service

What system?

How fast?

What cities?

Which route?

Station location?

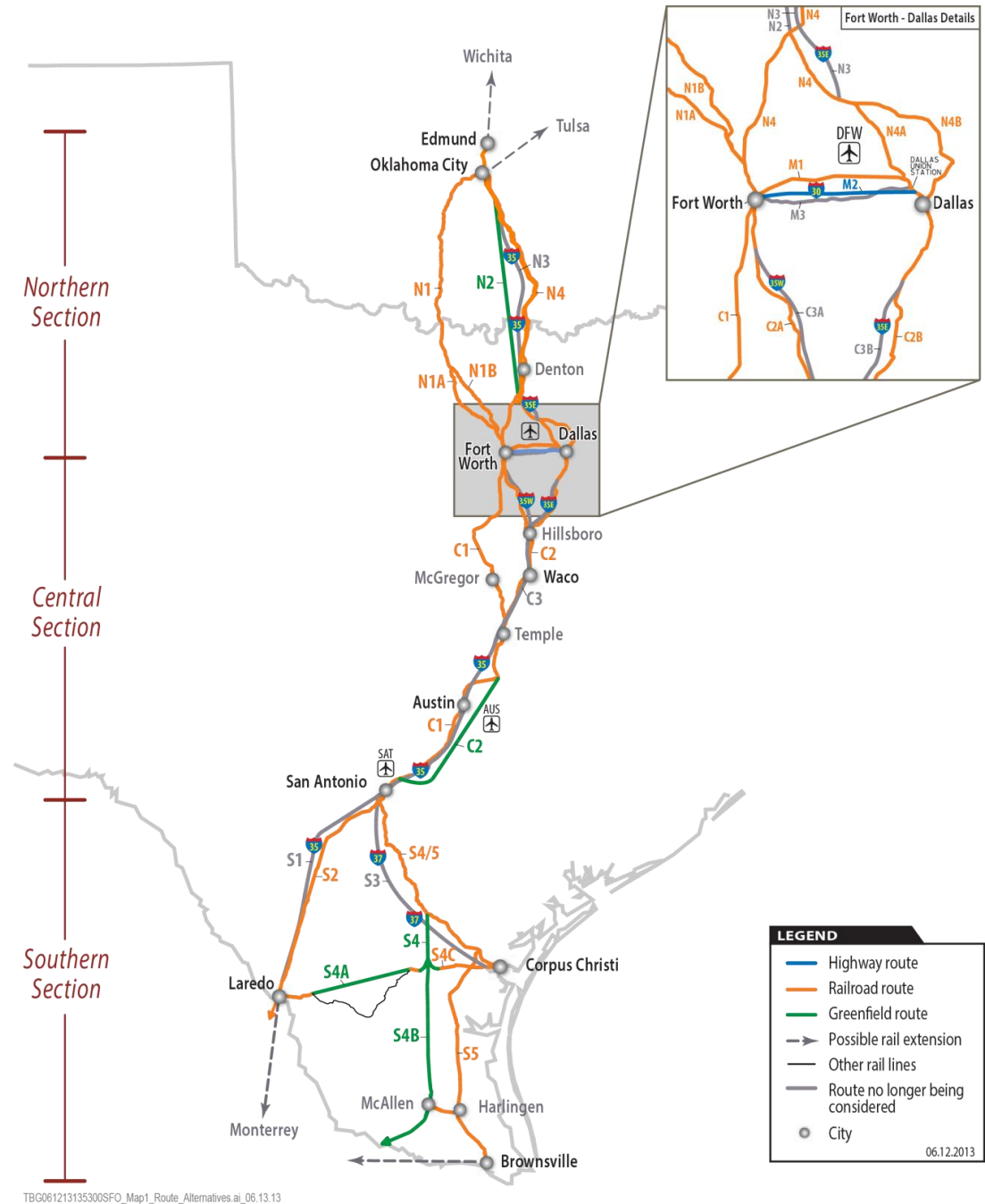
How frequently?

What's feasible?

Partners?

OKC – STX CIP

- 850-mile+ Corridor with several major cities/markets
- Different objectives for each of the Sections: North, Central, South



Ft. Worth - Dallas - Houston

1) Ft. Worth – Dallas EIS and PE

- Builds on OKC – Tier 1 Findings for an Urban Connector for the high-speed system



2) Dallas – Houston EIS and PE

- Based on the Texas Central proposal to deliver 90-minute service from Dallas - Houston



Why it matters:



Need-focused approach

Programmatic approach with few presumptions about service or carriers

Partnering for Success

Example of effective PPP for the PE/NEPA process

Networking opportunities

Texas passenger network can amplify ridership potential of nearby markets by creating network linkage

Coordinating Multiple Efforts

Find Subject Matter Experts

- Rely on technical experts for NEPA and PE

Use Consistent Methods

- Establish reliable methods that are logical for all state projects

Engage the Public

- Create a strategy to differentiate projects and avoid confusion

Focus on Effective Partnerships

- Integrate MPO Expertise

