



# I-494 / I-35W INTERCHANGE

Fact Sheet 5 - Transitway Concept Refinement

April 2014

*Coming Up: Fact Sheet 6  
Layout Development Study Results*

## Previous Fact Sheets

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## Interchange Concepts

A primary goal of the I-494/I-35W Interchange study is to develop a preferred interchange layout concept. Two layout concepts were evaluated: Turbine and a Clovermill concept. The two concepts were evaluated on their ability to:

- ➔ Improve congestion and safety
- ➔ Be constructed in phases
- ➔ Provide a cost effective solution

As a result of the evaluation, the Turbine concept has been carried forward for additional design. The illustrations to the right show a turbine concept with one loop and a turbine concept with three loops. The solid lines represent the proposed modifications to the interchange. The major freeway movements would be accommodated via the new interchange and local roadway access would be provided via existing interchange ramps at Penn Avenue, Lyndale Avenue, 82nd Street and 76th Street, shown by the dashed lines.

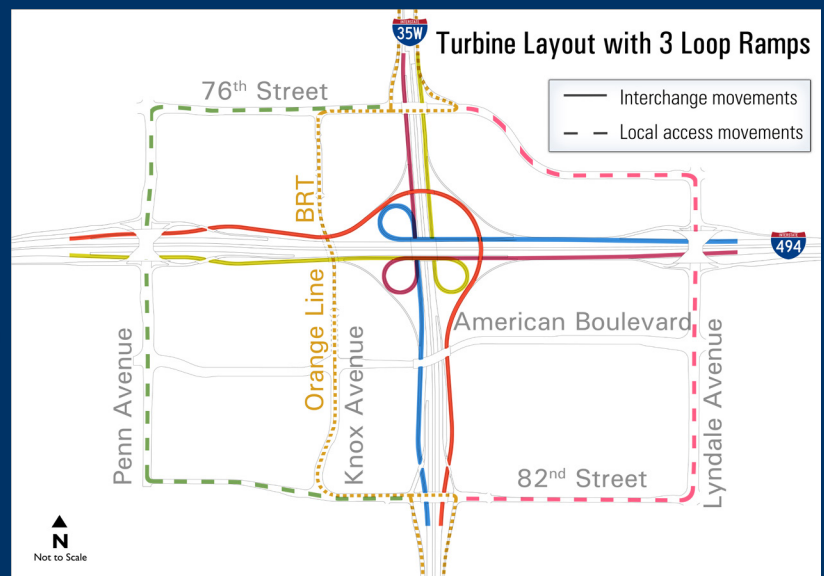
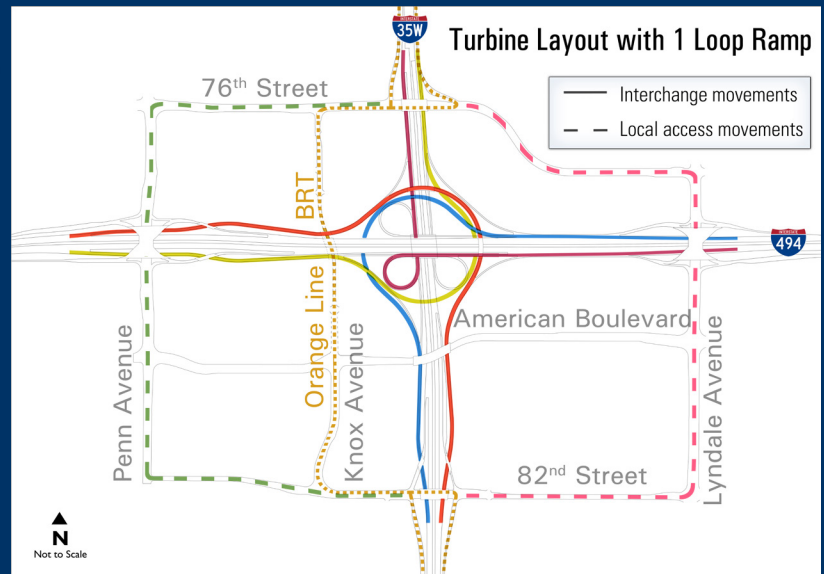
## Next Steps

- ➔ Select and refine the "vision layout" concept, including project phasing – Spring 2014
- ➔ Study Report – Summer 2014
- ➔ Project funding and Final Design – Ongoing

## Public Open House

Learn more about the interchange and transitway planning process and provide feedback on the options at an I-494/35W public open house.

Monday, April 28  
4:30-6:30 p.m.  
St. Richard's Church  
7540 Penn Ave South, Richfield



### For more information:

Visit the project website:  
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