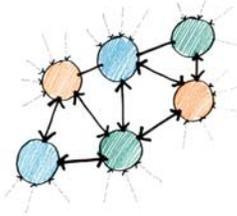


Network Characteristics

Many Centers – Connects Local Smart Growth Areas and Activity Centers



Supports San Diego's local commitments to smart growth-- consists of a multi-radial transit system serving the region's larger-scale smart growth areas and major activity centers. Transit services are oriented toward the centers, and supported with frequent connections between the centers. Major investments may include a variety of transit priority treatments between centers, expanded light rail, enhanced transit centers, shuttles and streetcars connecting to the transit centers, enhanced bike and walk access, and improvements to the urban realm.

- **Maximizes the Integration of Smart Growth Areas and Transit Networks:** This network would be designed to maximize the regional transit connections between smart growth areas and activity centers; concurrently, the internal transportation networks of the smart growth areas would be designed to maximize access to transit services.
- **Develops Pedestrian/Bicycle/Transit-Friendly Transportation Network Within Key Smart Growth Centers:** The transportation networks within smart growth areas would facilitate walking, biking, and transit use, providing easy connections between housing, employment, retail, recreation, and civic activity centers. Connections to regional transit services would occur at transfer hubs located within the smart growth centers that are easily accessible by walking, bicycle, or local streetcar/bus shuttles.
- **Provides Strong Transit Links Between Key Smart Growth Areas and Activity Centers:** A rich network of limited-stop light rail, BRT, and Rapid Bus services would provide fast, 10-minute all day links between Smart Growth centers throughout the region. Double tracking would be completed in the Sprinter and Coaster corridors. Would provide links to job centers in Downtown San Diego, UTC/Sorrento Mesa, and Kearny Mesa.
- **Provides Priority Treatment for Regional Transit Travel:** There would an extensive use of transit priority measures to maximize travel speeds and trip reliability. These transit priority measures would include signal priority treatments and queue jump lanes along arterials, managed lanes along freeways, and dedicated transitways in areas where managed lanes and arterial priority measures are not available or practical.