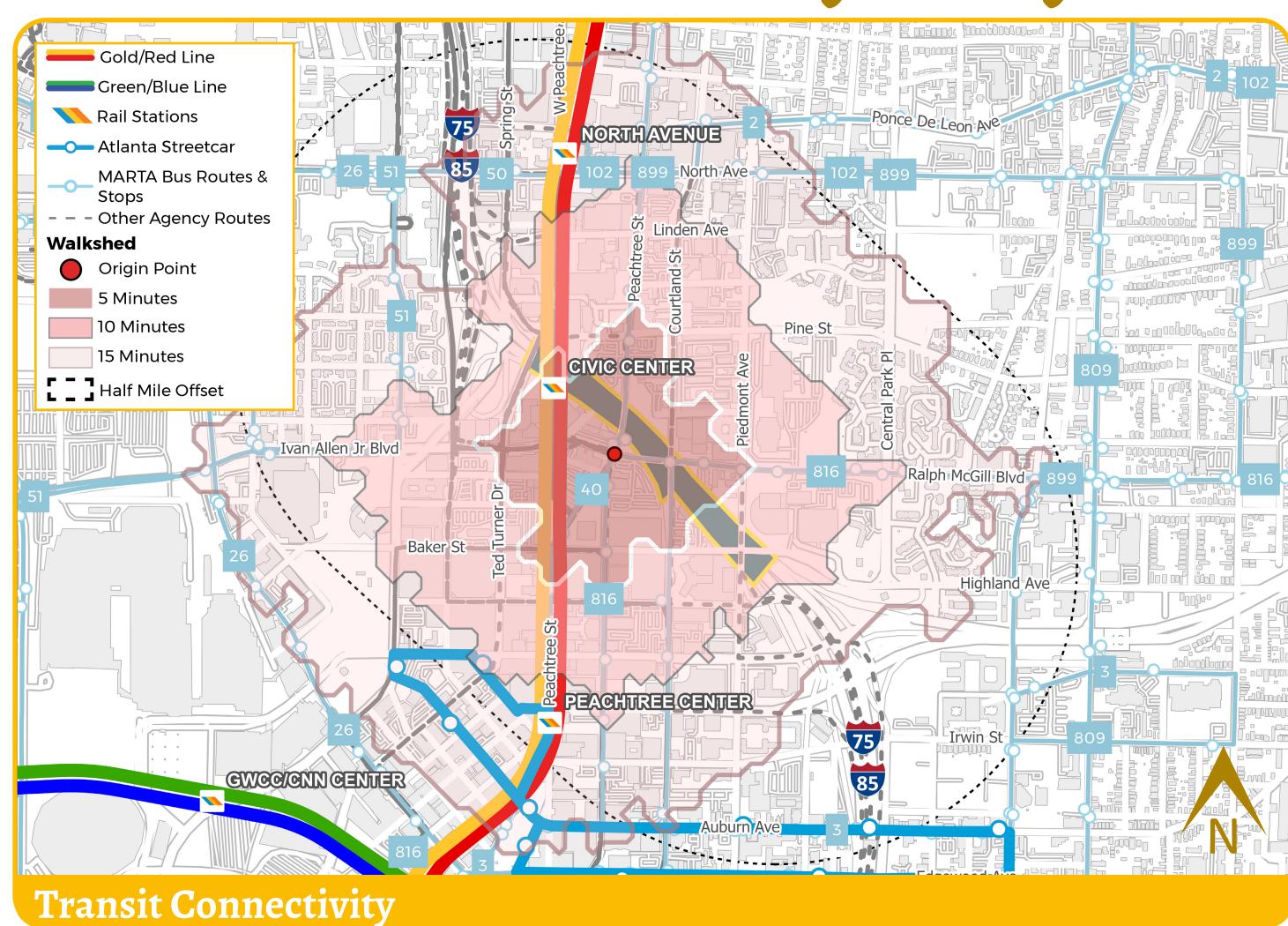


MULTIMODAL CONNECTIVITY

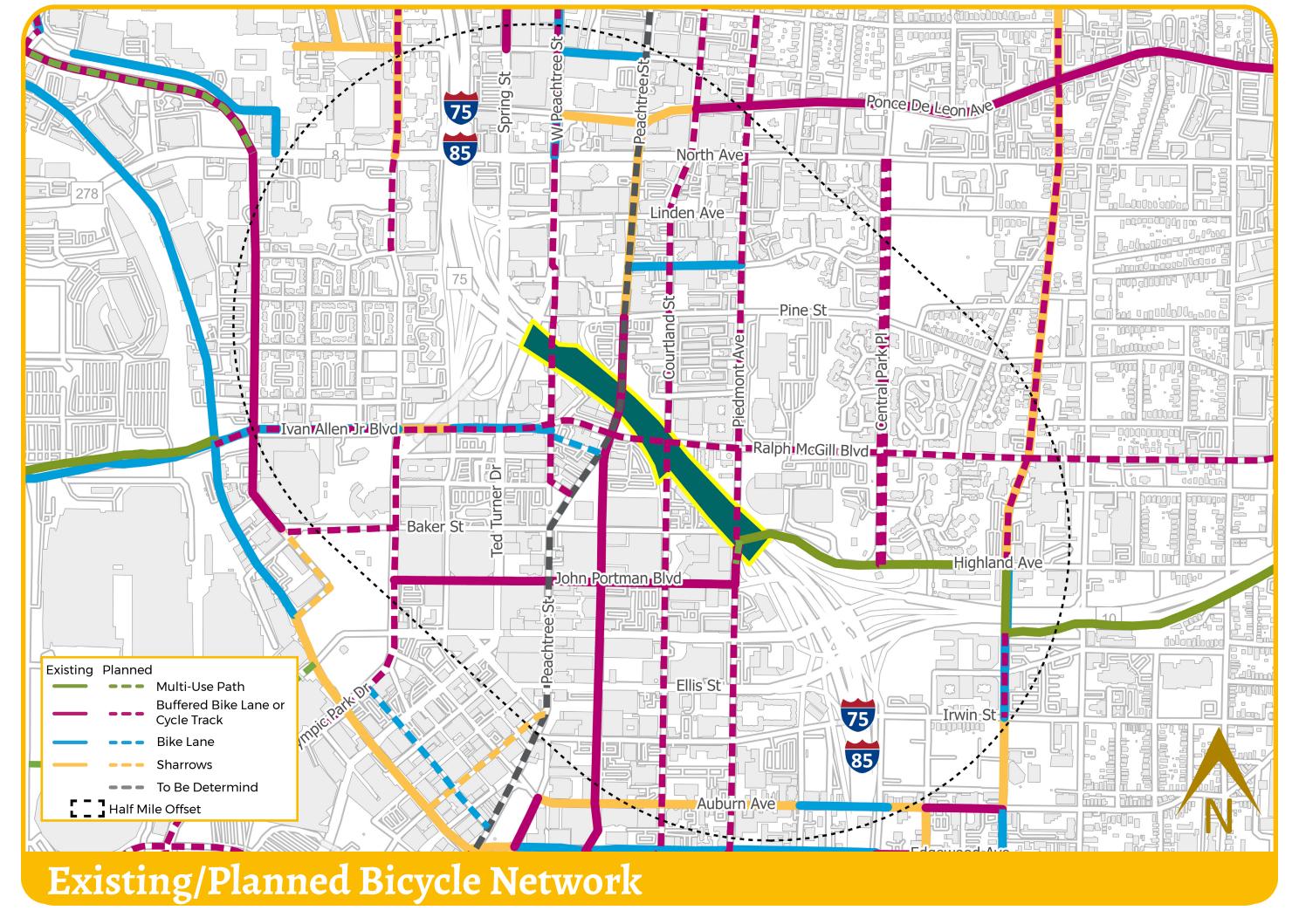
Introduction

Atlanta is repositioning its public realm to focus on city building and now recognizes that city streets provide more than just a transportation function. Atlanta needs inclusive streets, for they are the largest part of the public realm and the backdrop to our day-to-day lives and our larger civic moments. This is one of the most equitable investments our cities can make: streets and cities that are designed for people contribute to the prosperity of all. Street and overall city design play into how we dedicate space to all modes of transportation, including walking, biking, public transit, and vehicles. On this display board you will find a discussion of multimodal connectivity around the Stitch, along with related opportunities and challenges. Once you've read these sections, take a look at the "Questions to Consider" and share your answers with the team!

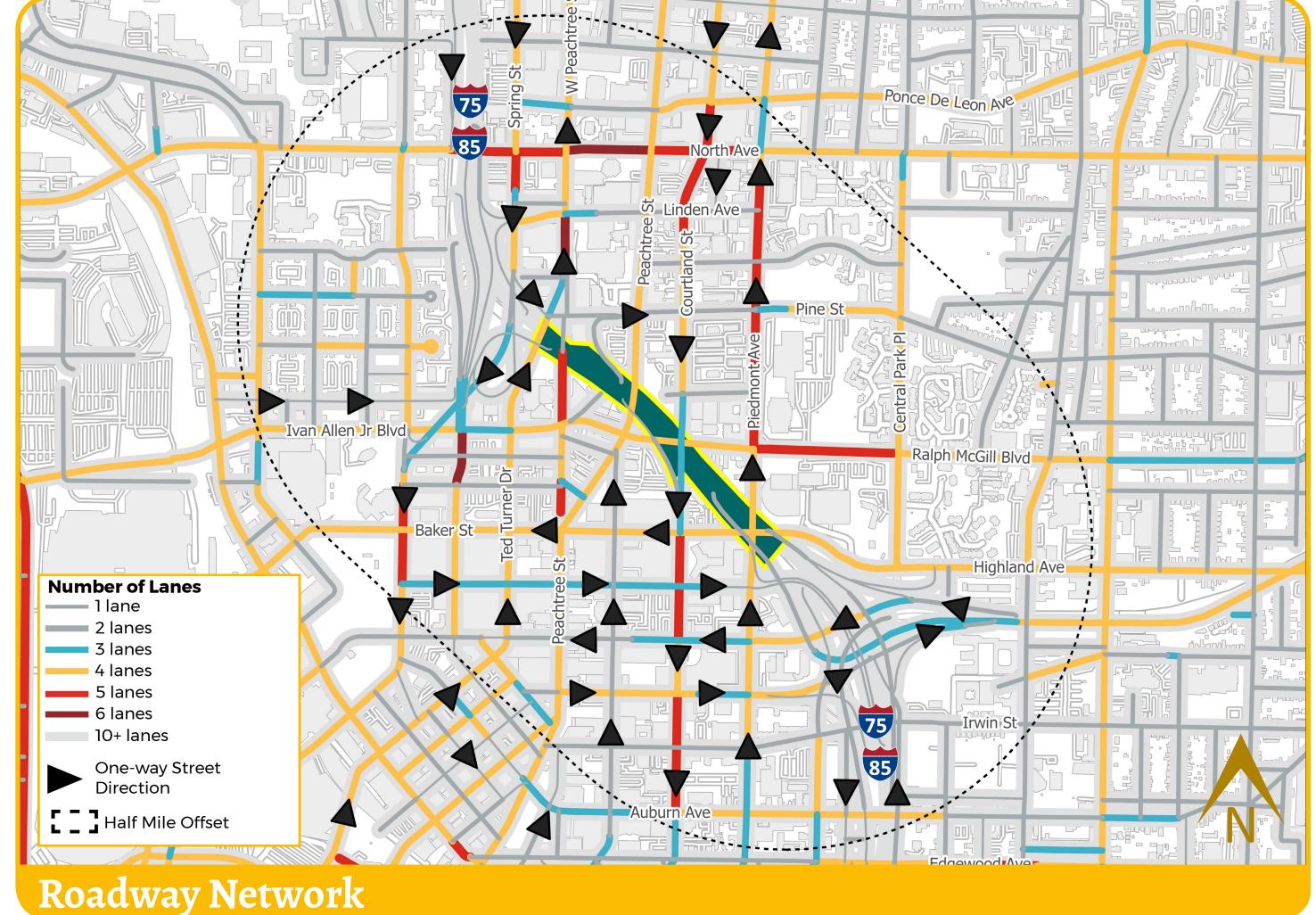
Multimodal Connectivity Analysis



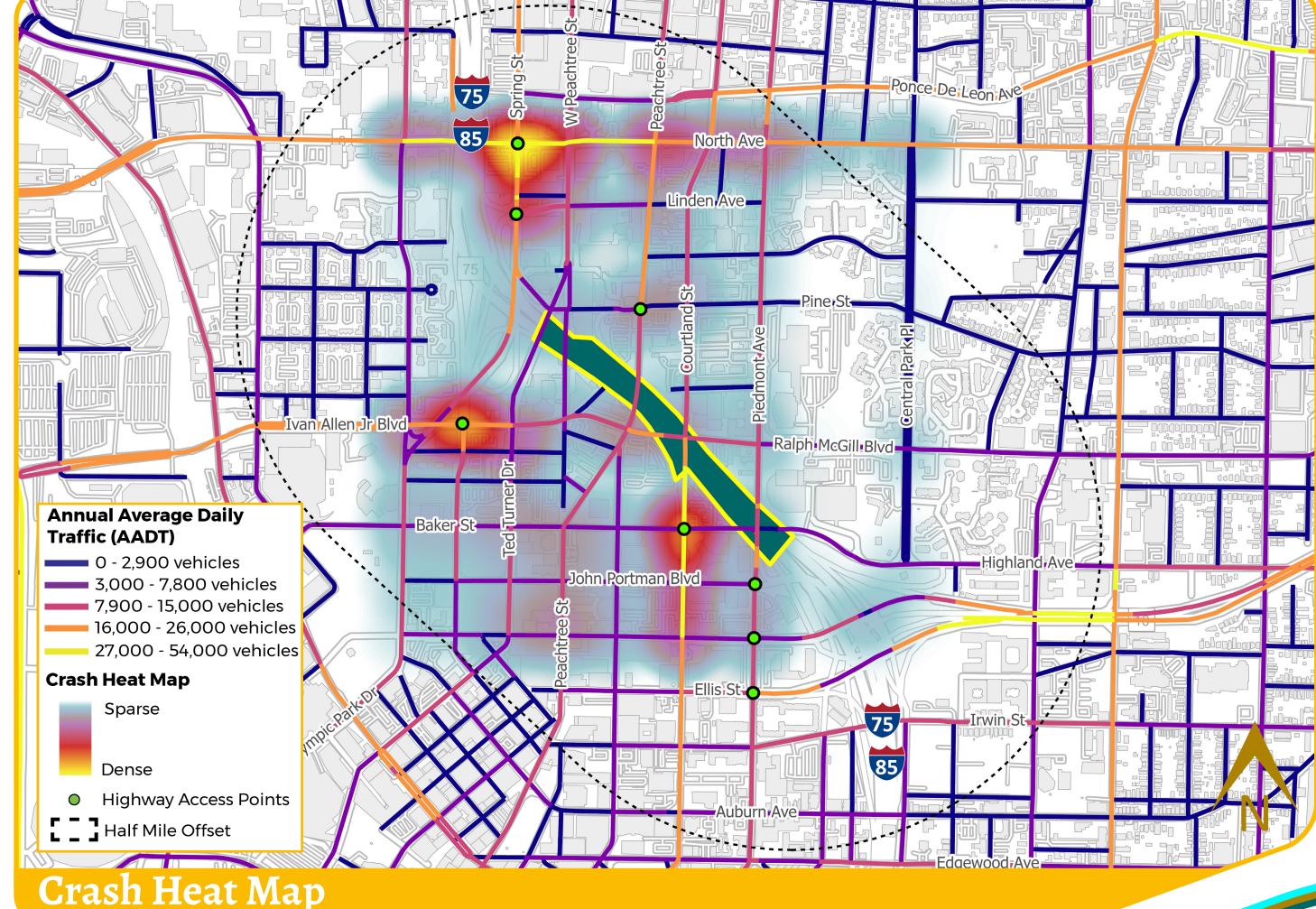
The study area is served by MARTA heavy rail and bus, three commuter bus systems (Xpress, CobbLinc, and Ride Gwinnett), and the Emory University Hospital Midtown Shuttle.



There are several planned bicycle facilities within the study area that would encourage more bicycle activity and create a more balanced transportation system.



The introduction of the Downtown Connector coincided with the conversion of many two-way streets to one-way. This was an effort to facilitate vehicles moving into and out of the city as quickly as possible.



Highway access ramps (or intersections immediately adjacent to access ramps) have the most crashes within the study area, contributing to 19% of all crashes.

Opportunities & Challenges

Opportunities

- 1) Reconnect north Downtown with a safe, human-scaled transportation network.
- 2) Reallocate space for cars from underutilized streets to other modes.
- 3) Restore one-way streets to two-way streets.
- 4) Reconnect the street grid with a focus on east-west connections.
- 5) Re-examine the Downtown Connector's access points.

Challenges

- 1) Regulatory agencies work in isolation.
- 2) Policies and funding requirements that prioritize vehicular transportation at the detriment of other transportation options.
- 3) An overabundance of underpriced parking.
- 4) High-speed vehicular traffic and severe congestion at interstate access points.

Questions to Consider

How would you get to the Stitch? Walk, bike, take transit, or drive?

What features would make you feel safer and more comfortable as a pedestrian or bicyclist?

What neighborhood or place would you connect to from the Stitch?



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Community Kick-off & Visioning Workshop

