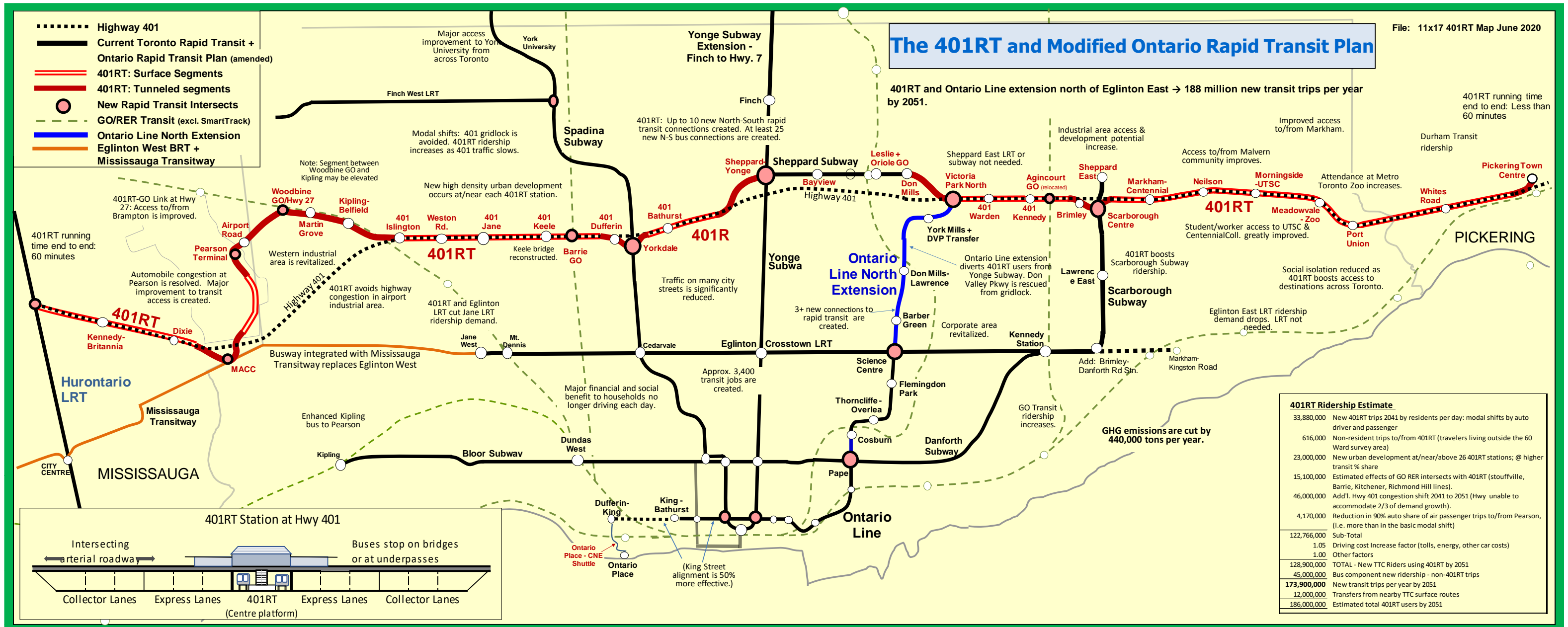


# The Highway 401RT: Essential. Urgent. Affordable.

## Why a 401RT?

- 1 Current rapid transit plans will not be enough modal shifts to transit to stop increases in road congestion or greenhouse gas emissions.
- 2 The functionality of the Highway 401 corridor in Toronto is at risk. The 401 will not be able to accommodate much more travel demand growth resulting from population and job growth.
- 3 Trips to, from and within northern Toronto, including cross-boundary trips, are poorly served by rapid transit. A 401RT rescues transportation in northern Toronto.
- 4 The Eglinton Crosstown LRT is too far south in Toronto to be useful to most travelers whose trip origins and destinations are in the northern half of Toronto.
- 5 The 401RT is affordable. Economic, transportation, environmental, social and household benefits exceed the costs of building and operating the 401RT.
- 6 The 401RT and the Ontario Line extension northward from the Eglinton LRT are essential if growth in road traffic congestion in Toronto is to be stopped.
- 7 Mass transit is part of the effort to fight climate change. The urgency of reducing greenhouse gas emissions is emphasized in warnings about drastic and permanent damage to earth's climate and all life forms.



Note: A 401RT makes four planned LRTs unnecessary: Jane, Sheppard East, Eglinton West extension to Pearson, Eglinton East extension to UTSC and Malvern. Up to \$7.9 billion in capital costs can be saved.

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