

Fresno Transit Long Range Master Plan



FAX (Fresno Area Express) is the local bus system for the Fresno Urban Area. The system consists of twenty routes operating every 30 to 60 minutes. Nelson\Nygaard completed a comprehensive Long Range Master Plan for the system, assessing the long term transit needs for the community using a combination of demographic data, travel model origin/destination data, stakeholder input, and transit performance data.

The plan was built around three potential scenarios, which differed by service objective philosophies (related to coverage vs. productivity). FAX staff selected a preferred strategy and then had Nelson\Nygaard undertake a more detailed follow-up study to identify a corridor for High Capacity Transit service (bus or rail).

The detailed study included a recommendation for a preferred High Capacity Transit alignment, plus supporting recommendations related to proposed changes in land use, parking policies and on-street transit preferential treatments (e.g. Transit Signal Priority, queue jump lanes).

In addition, the study included recommendations for:

1. Moving the central transfer facility (located on three sides of a city park) to a new on-street transit mall adjacent to the Civic Center Plaza.
2. Implementing deviated fixed-route services in residential areas that lacked the density to support regular fixed-routes.

Project Duration: 2000–2001

Total Budget: \$100,000

Nelson\Nygaard Budget: \$80,000

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