



ACTION 7:

Beaver Bus – CTS Connections

Adjust Beaver Bus routes to provide direct “last-mile” connections with local transit stops on campus.

Opportunity

With relatively little cost, Beaver Bus shuttle routes can be optimized to connect riders to public transportation, making commute trips faster and more convenient for riders.

Current State

The Beaver Bus serves on-campus trips, and it currently functions primarily as a parking shuttle. Today, there are a few shared Beaver Bus and public transit stops on campus; however, no shuttles serve Monroe Avenue, where the highest number of Corvallis Transit System (CTS) boardings and alightings occur. Transit riders coming to campus must walk up to a mile from the nearest bus stop to their campus destination, adding time and inconvenience to their trip. This presents a significant barrier during inclement weather, for those with tight schedules, or for those unable to walk such distances.

Cost
\$

Timeline
Short

Lead
OSU Transportation Services

Complementary Actions
Increased CTS Service (Action 8)

Partners
Corvallis Transit System

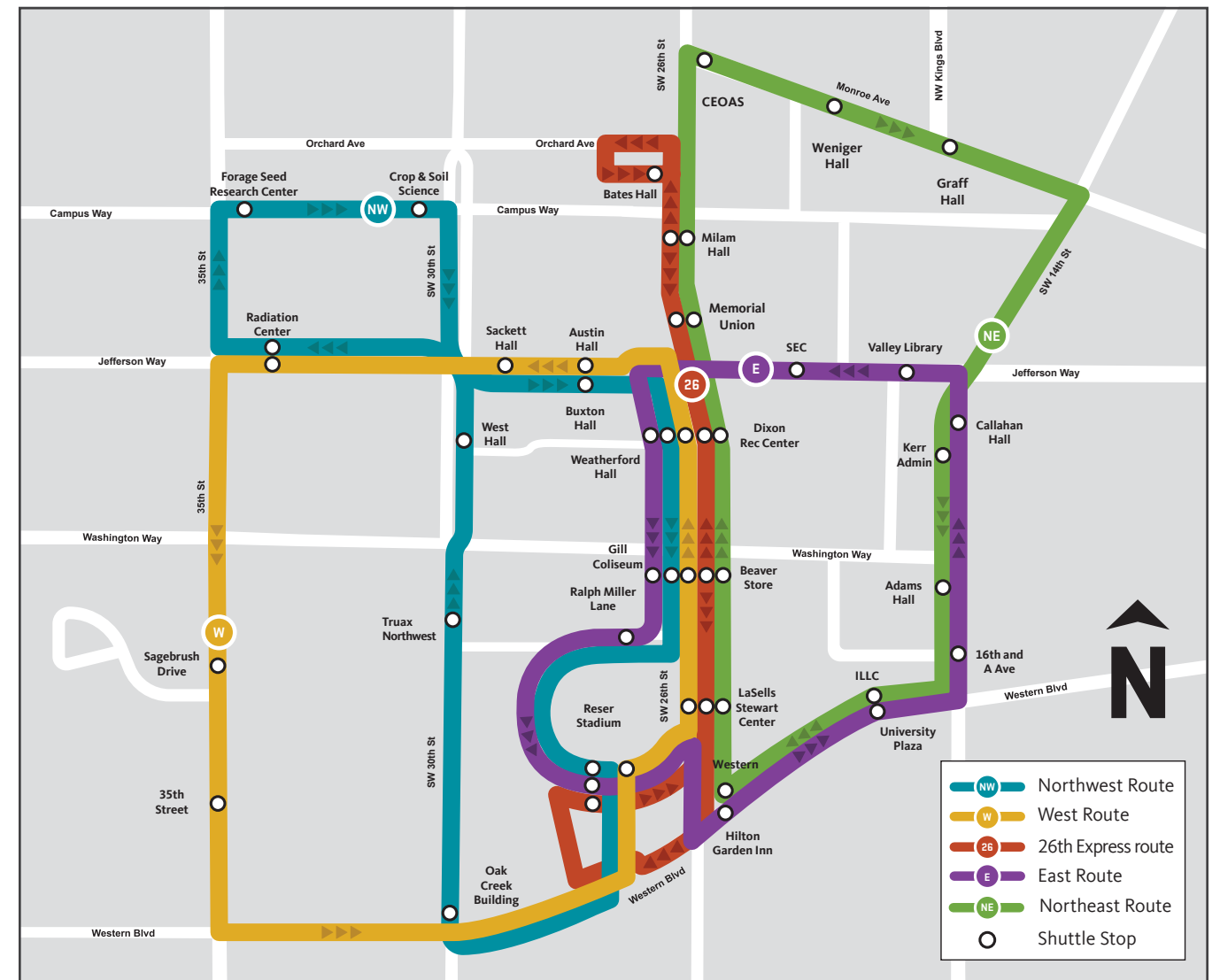
Discussion

A Last-Mile Connection

Configuring Beaver Bus routes to act as a last-mile connection to and from public transit could make transit more convenient for OSU students and employees. The shuttle routes are entirely within OSU’s control, although any new shared

stops on city streets would require collaboration with CTS. Costs associated with the strategy mostly involve staff time to adjust bus stop locations, as well as design, test and promote new routes. The modified shuttle service should make transit a more convenient no-cost option for commuters.

Figure 12: A proposal for expanded Beaver Bus Shuttle service on Monroe



Source: OSU Transportation Services