

Infrastructure Of, By, and For the People...




Commercial Real Estate Women

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East-West Gateway Council of Governments

- Founded in mid 1960's
 - The Metropolitan Planning Organization for 8 county region
 - Transportation, regional security, community planning, etc.
 - 24 member Board of Directors - primarily elected officials
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East-West Gateway Council of Governments & the St. Louis Metropolitan Statistical Area



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Council of Governments
Creating Solutions Across Jurisdictional Boundaries


September 2007

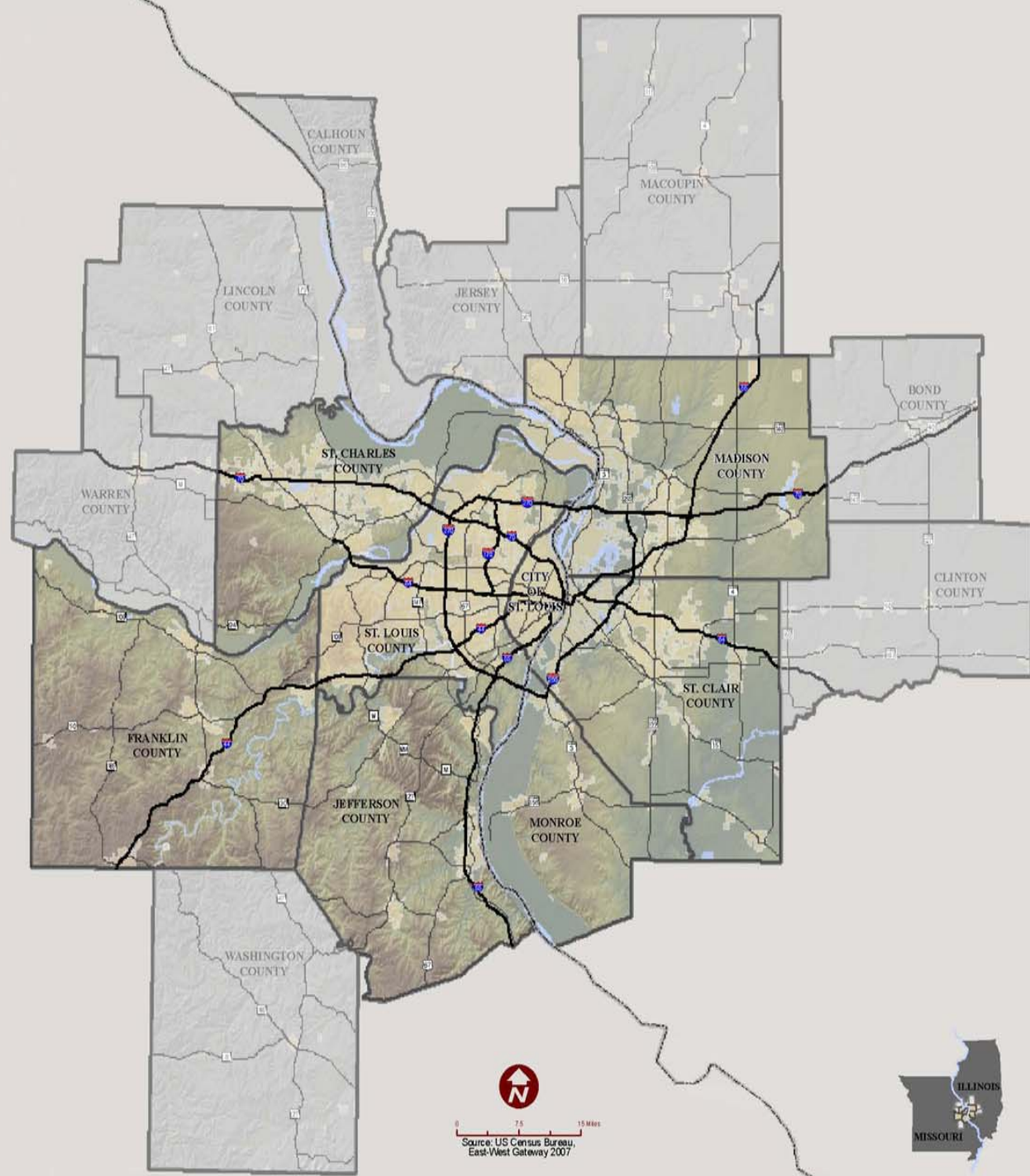
AREA OF COUNTIES IN THE ST. LOUIS MSA (Sq. Mi.)

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| Bond County, IL | 380 |
| Calhoun County, IL | 254 |
| Clinton County, IL | 474 |
| Franklin County, MO | 923 |
| Jefferson County, MO | 657 |
| Jersey County, IL | 369 |
| Lincoln County, MO | 630 |
| Macoupin County, IL | 864 |
| Madison County, IL | 725 |
| Monroe County, IL | 388 |
| St. Charles County, MO | 560 |
| St. Clair County, IL | 664 |
| St. Louis City, MO | 62 |
| St. Louis County, MO | 508 |
| Warren County, MO | 431 |
| Washington County, MO | 760 |

East-West Gateway Region 4,487 sq. mi.

St. Louis MSA 8,649 sq. mi.

-  East-West Gateway Region
(also part of MSA Region)
-  MSA Region
-  Incorporated Areas
-  State Boundary
-  Interstate Highways
-  Other Major Roads

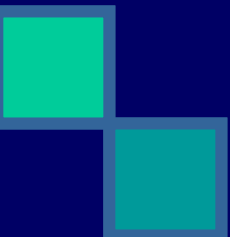



Source: US Census Bureau,
East-West Gateway 2007






What Do We Do???

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- Planning for, and allocation of, federal funds
 - Transportation
 - Environment
 - Regional Security
 - Other, as opportunities arise
 - Research, analysis, policy development
 - Assistance to local governments
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Current Transportation Improvement Program (four year plan)

- 751 projects
 - \$3.1 billion
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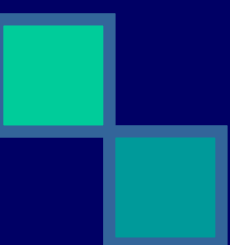



It's More Than Transportation




“Livability” – the New Buzzword

HUD, DOT, EPA

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- Sets forth “livability principles” to pursue in the use of federal funds
 - Transportation, Housing, Environment
 - What about Energy and Education?
 - Farming?
 - Quality of Life
 - Putting people at the center of our planning
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Six Livability Principles

- Provide more transportation choices
 - Promote equitable affordable housing
 - Enhance economic competitiveness
 - Support existing communities
 - Coordinate policies and leverage investment
 - Value communities and neighborhoods
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Hoop Greenhouse – Heart of of the City



East-West Gateway Activities

(pre-date the Administration's announcement in 2009)



- Great Streets Initiative

- South Grand, Natural Bridge, Labadie, Manchester Road – see www.ewgateway.org

- Loop Trolley Project

- Transit oriented development, linking transit to **housing, employment, retail and schools**



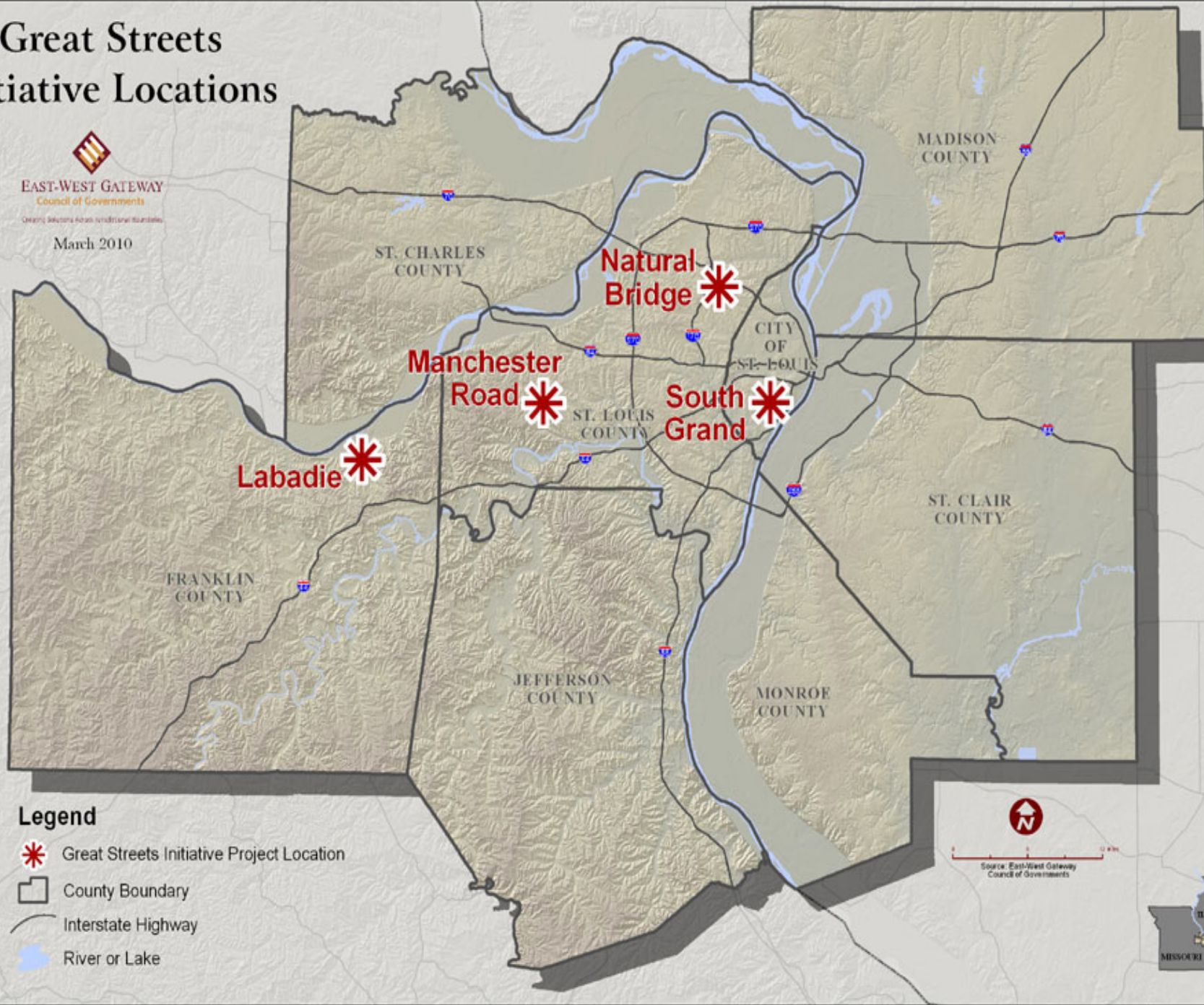
Great Streets Initiative Locations



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Labadie *

Manchester Road *

Natural Bridge *

South Grand *

Legend

- * Great Streets Initiative Project Location
- County Boundary
- Interstate Highway
- River or Lake

Source: East-West Gateway Council of Governments





Current Activities

- Brand new - Sustainable Communities Planning Grant from HUD
 - Requires strategic partnerships
 - Private sector, universities, philanthropic organizations, other regional organizations, like Metro, MSD, Sustainable St. Louis, Great Rivers Greenway, Trailnet, FOCUS St. Louis, RCGA, etc.
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South Grand Boulevard

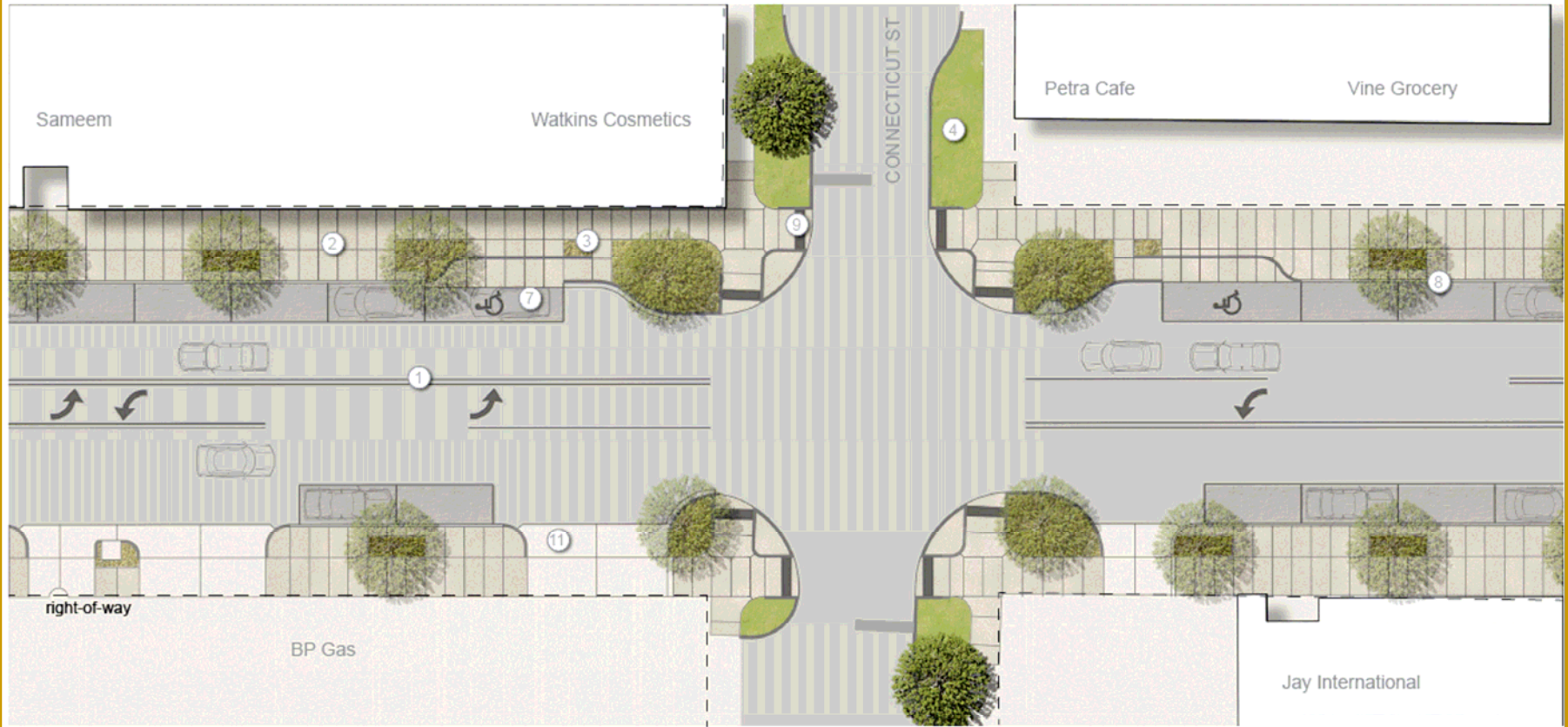


South Grand Boulevard

South Grand Great Streets Initiative

Sheet 3

- ① 3-lane striping
- ② pervious concrete
- ③ ornamental planting
- ④ turf
- ⑤ bus shelter
- ⑥ bus stop
- ⑦ accessible parking space
- ⑧ street tree (phase two)
- ⑨ detectable warning
- ⑩ thermoplastic crosswalk striping
- ⑪ new concrete driveway
- ⑫ bioswale



SOUTH GRAND GREAT STREETS INITIATIVE | St. Louis, Mo

From Four Lanes to Three



Renewing the Region

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- We're developing our next Long Range Plan
 - We need diverse and broad input
 - Join the conversation on our Blog
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and click on Renewing the Region icon
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