OVERVIEW OF PAVEMENT TYPES CURRENTLY USED ON BRT's

Dr L J Ebels PrEng 26th Road Pavements Forum 05 and 06 November 2013

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INTRODUCTION



BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)

- Flexible (road-based vehicles)
- High performance rapid transit
- Integrated system with a quality image and unique identity
- High passenger volumes



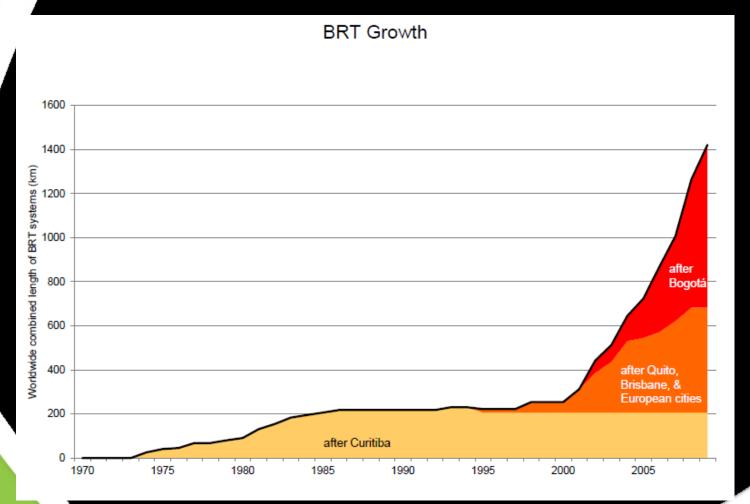
BRT 101

- 1. Exclusive lanes
- 2. Median aligned
- 3. Priority at intersections
- 4. Level boarding
- 5. Off-board fare collection





DEVELOPMENT OF BRT





BHNS / BHLS

- Bus à haut niveau de service
- Buses with a high level of service
- BRT-lite:
 - Quality bus systems
 - Reliable and fast
 - Comfortable buses
 - Good facilities, stops and stations



BRT References



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BRT SYSTEMS IN SOUTH AFRICA



http://www.engineeringnews.co.za/article/transport-2013-10-18

SA cities investing heavily in publictransport networks

PUBLISHED 18 OCT 13 BY: IRMA VENTER

In the 2013/14 financial year, more than R5-billion will be spent in 13 South African cities on planning, building and operating integrated public transport networks, says Transport Minister **Dipuo Peters**.

She says Cape Town and Johannesburg have already constructed more than 20 km of dedicated bus rapid transport (BRT) lanes, supported by more than 100 km of feeder and distribution services.

In the 2013/14 financial year, Cape Town and Johannesburg will expand operations on the Rea Vaya and My CiTi services respectively to do up to 100 000 passenger trips a day on each system.



BRT Systems in South Africa KWAZULU-NATAL FREE STATE LESOTHO: **EASTERN CAPE** enhancing the quality of life

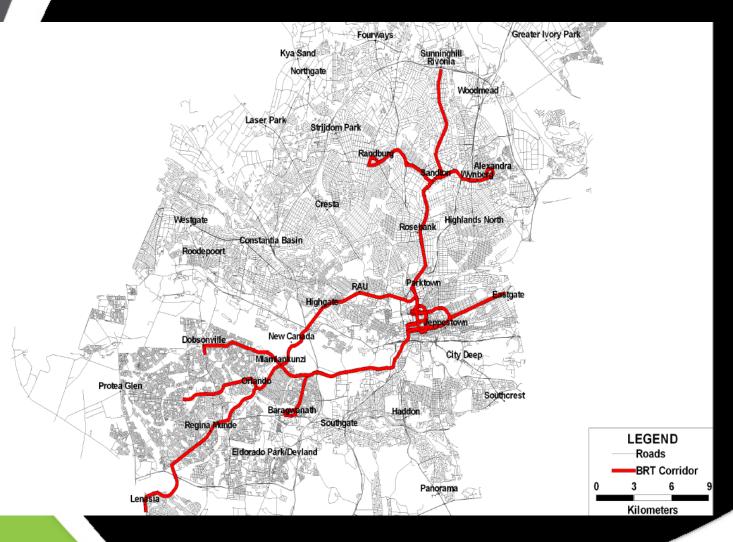
CAPE TOWN IRT





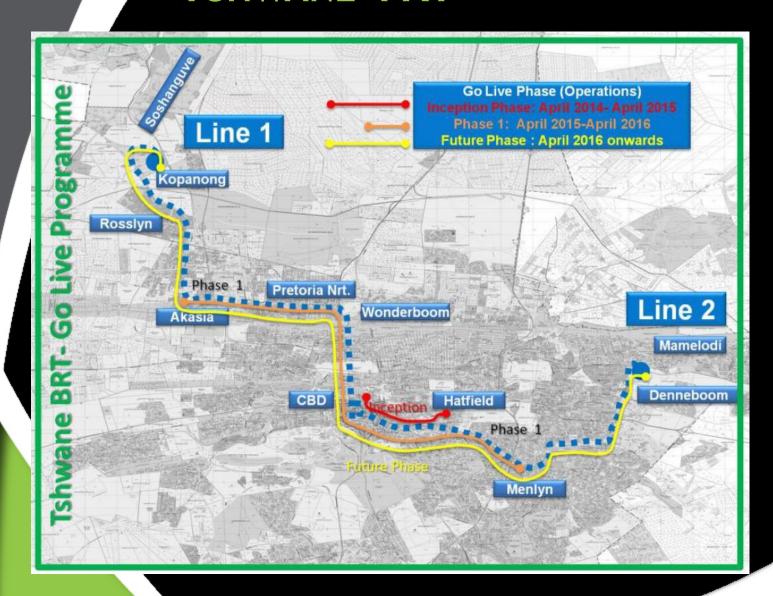


JOHANNESBURG REA VAYA





TSHWANE TRT





RUSTENBURG RRT

Full RRT Network









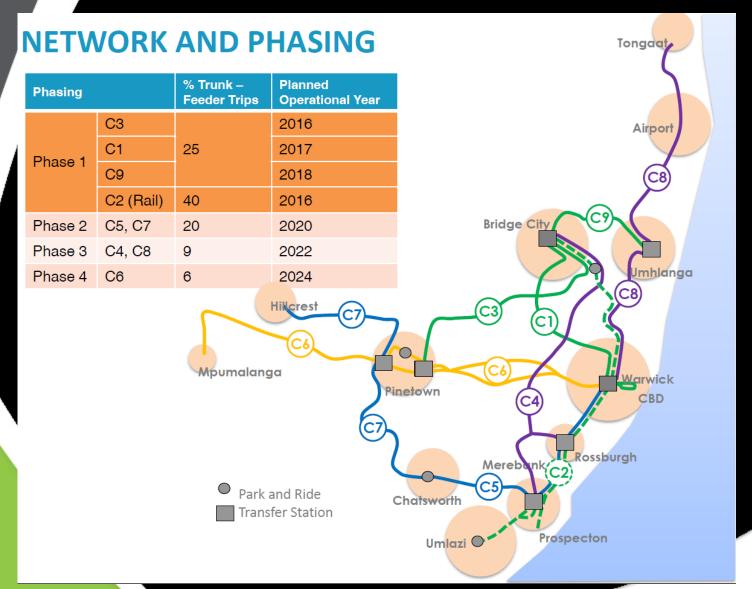
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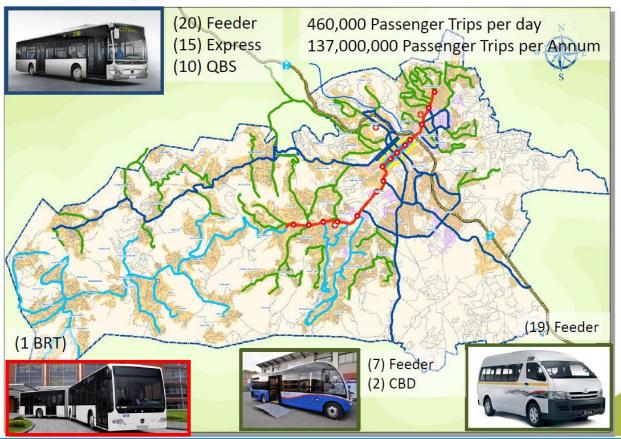
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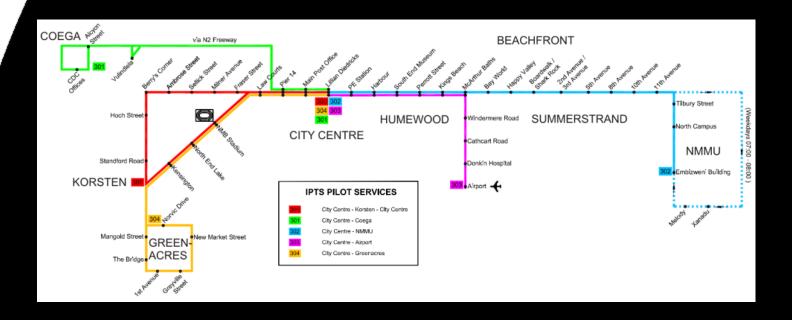


Our City of Choice is Moving Forward

INTEGRATED RAPID PUBLIC TRANSPORT NETWORK



NELSON MANDELA BAY IPTS







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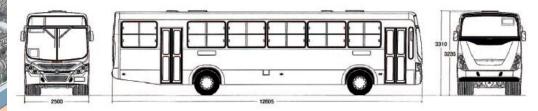




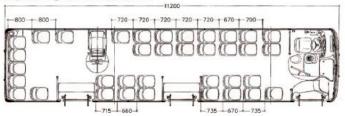




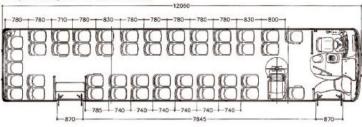
 Standard ABS, anti-lock brakes increase safety by evenly distributing braking forces and preventing tyres from losing their grip during braking.



36 passengers' seats + driver



47 passengers' seats + driver





- Chassis:
 - Volvo B7R
 - Scania F-type
- Coach:
 - Marcopolo







- 45 seater
- Steering axle: 7.1 t
- Single dual wheel drive axle: 12.0 t
- GVM: 19 t
- Axle equivalency factor: ± 5 E80's/HV



ARTICULATED BUS (16.5 - 18M)





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ARTICULATED BUS (16.5 - 18M)

- 55 seater
- Steering axle: 7.5 t
- Centre drive axle: 12.0 t
- Trailer axle: 10.5 t
- GVM: 30 t (full with ± 120 passengers)
- Axle equivalency factor: ± 8 E80's/HV
- 1.5 E80's/HV when empty !!!



FEEDER / MINI BUS (9M)





FEEDER / MINI BUS (9M)

- 33 seater
- Steering axle: 3.8 t
- Rear drive axle: 8.0 t
- GVM: 11.3 t
- Axle equivalency factor : ± 1 E80's/HV



MARCOPOLO VIALE BRT

- 21 m
- Up to 145 passengers





BUS TYRE

- 22.5" rims
- **295/80**
- 825 850 kPa
- Max load:
 - 3.5 t single
 - 3.0 t dual





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BRT PAVEMENT TYPES

- Rigid vs. Flexible
- Initial cost, design life
- Concrete pavements (CP):
 - Continuously reinforced (CRCP)
 - Jointed (JCP)
 - Ultra-thin continuously reinforced (UTCRCP)
- Flexible pavement
 - Conventional asphalt
 - Modified Asphalt (rut resistance e.g. A-E2, A-P1)
 - HiMA



CAPE TOWN CRCP

- 1000 daily buses, 40 yrs, ES190
- Pavement structure
 - 280 mm CRCP, Y25-160 ctc
 - 250 mm C3
 - 150 mm G6
 - G8 subgrade





CAPE TOWN CRCP

- 300 daily buses, 40 yrs, ES60
- Pavement structure
 - 200 mm CRCP, Y20-180 ctc
 - 200 mm C3
 - 150 mm G6
 - G8 subgrade





CAPE TOWN HMA (INTERSECTIONS)

- 20 yrs, ES30
- Pavement structure
 - 40 mm AC (A-E2)
 - 3 x 90 mm BC (A-P1)
 - 150 mm G6
 - G8 subgrade





JOHANNESBURG (ELLIS PARK)

- 200 daily buses, 20 yrs, 18-22 MESA
- Flexible pavement:
 - 40 mm BRASO
 - 125 mm BC (12% RA)
 - 150 mm C3
 - 150 mm C4
 - 150 mm G7
 - G7 subgrade







RUSTENBURG CRCP

- 384 + 192 daily buses, 30 yrs, 34 MESA
- Pavement structure:
 - 220 mm CRCP, Y16-150 ctc
 - 150 mm C3
 - 150 mm C4
 - 150 G7
 - In situ subgrade



RUSTENBURG CRCP

No. of Buses and E80's per day	Full buses	½ full buses	¼ full buses	TOTALS
Standard Bus No.'s	260	90	34	384
Standard Bus E80's	1 270	200	50	1 520
Articulated Bus No.'s	145	48	20	192
Articulated Bus E80's	1 495	440	<i>55</i>	1 990



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CONCLUDING REMARKS

- BRT vs. BHLS (BRT-Lite)
- Considerable investment into quality bus system
- High axle loads (up to 12 t)
- CRCP favoured, but HMA alternatives
- Conservative ??
 - Over-estimating No. daily trips
 - Bus occupancy levels



QUESTIONS?



