# Shocking Realities: Trends in Electrifying Transportation



# Zero Emission Fleet Transition

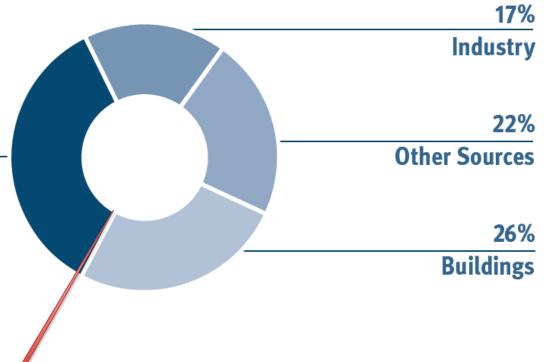
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## How We Move Has Big Impact on GHGs

In Metro Vancouver, the largest single source of carbon emissions is on-road transportation.

**35%** of regional GHGs come from on-road transportation





#### TransLink is already providing low carbon transportation

- 65% of the total passenger kilometers travelled in 2023 were on the all-electric SkyTrain and trolley bus networks
- Early adopter of natural gas and hybriddiesel buses
- Second largest electric trolley fleet in North America
- Move 300-500k people everyday



#### We have been working towards zero-emissions for years

Renewable natural

gas introduced

Apr 2019

Climate Action Plan

Dec 2022

Access for Everyone (10-Year Priorities)

Transport 2050 Jan 2022

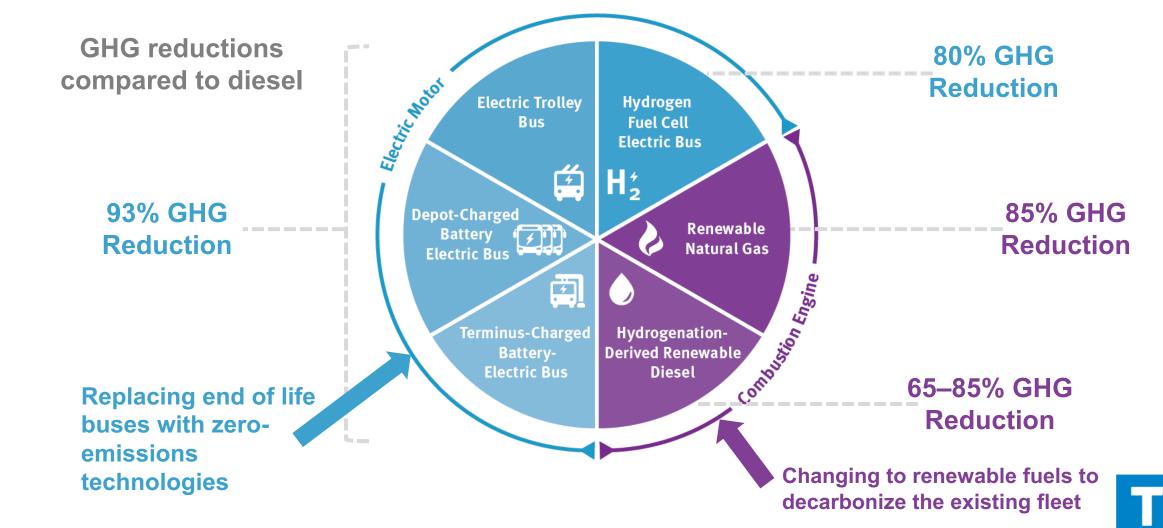


# We're not alone in our zero emissions journey

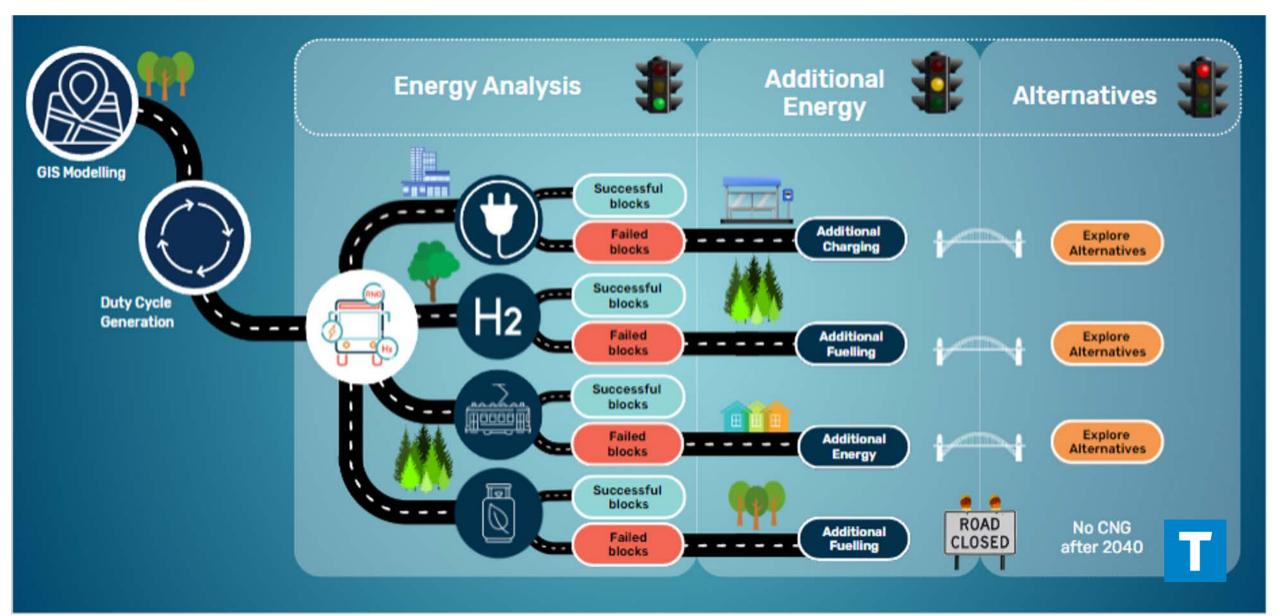
- Zero emission policies, regulations, and funding are driving industry change
- Technology choices influenced by regional factors
- Everyone is learning

Agencies	Other:			
2030	2035	20	40	-
<ul> <li>Foothill Transit (Los Angeles)</li> <li>Berlin</li> <li>RVK (Cologne, Germany)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>King County Metro (Seattle)</li> <li>LACMTA (Los Angeles)</li> <li>Transport for London</li> <li>Munich</li> <li>Dusseldorf</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TransLink (Metro Vancouver)</li> <li>TTC (Toronto, 2037)</li> <li>STM (Montreal)</li> <li>MBTA (Boston)</li> <li>NYMTA (New York)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TriMet (Portland)</li> <li>SEPTA (Philadelphia)</li> <li>AC Transit (San Francisco)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sound Transit - 2050</li> <li>Régie autonome des transports parisiens (Paris) - Renewable fuels 2025</li> </ul>

#### Reducing emissions from buses takes two forms: Switching Technology and Switching Fuels



#### **GIS Driven Energy, Transit Centre and Service Evaluation**



### **Transition to Electric**

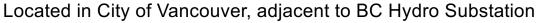
- 2024: Electric Route 100
   Hamilton Transit Centre Plug-In Chargers,
   In-Route Charger, 15 Battery Electric
   Buses
- 2027: Port Coquitlam Transit Centre Phase 1: 57 BEBs w. infrastructure, Phase 2: Infrastructure for up to 64 BEBs (unfunded)
- By 2030, 34% of diesel buses will be replaced by Battery Electric



### **Marpole Transit Centre**



- Fully electric transit centre with 2027 completion
- 3-storey Garage with:
  - Level 1 Bus Storage
  - Level 2 22 MVA / 60 kV / 15 kV
     Electrical Substation and Bus
     Charging Equip.
  - Level 3 Operations Building and Employee Parking
- 2-storey Maintenance Building, Bus Wash Building, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Fuel Building, and Vault Pull
- Constructed phases will accommodate 350 battery electric buses



#### **Leveraging Renewable Fuels**



- 100% RNG purchasing to offset emissions from CNG fleet (25% of our fleet)
- Rollout of Renewable Diesel
   between 2024-2028
- Provincial and Federal Fuel Regulations make renewable fuels cost neutral



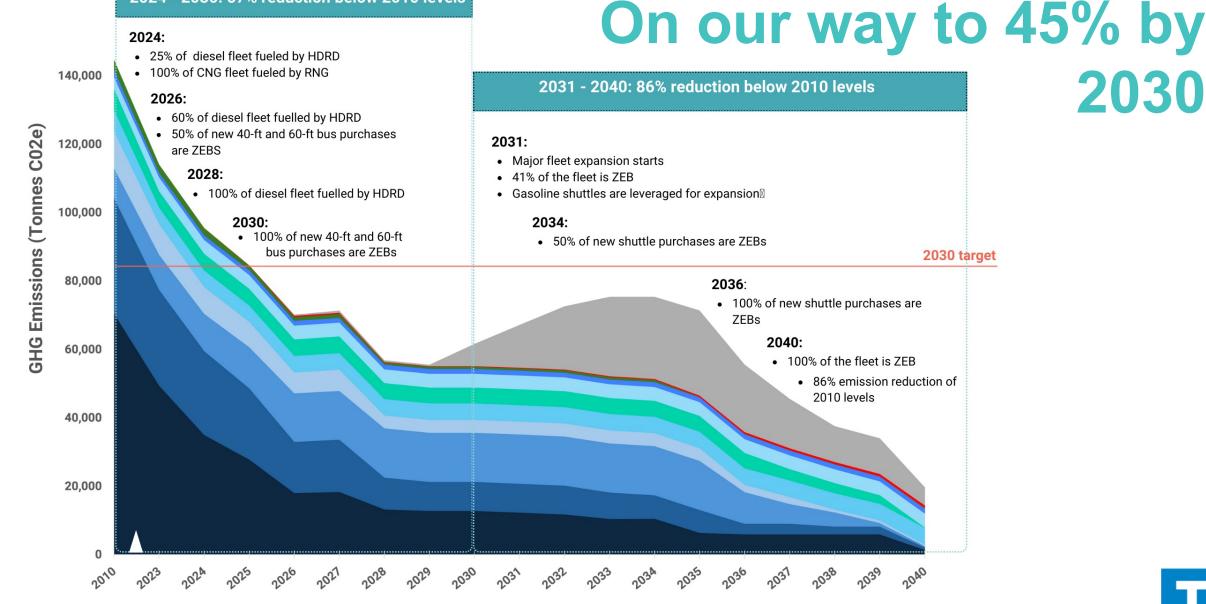


40-ft bus

Sea Bus

60-ft bus

Non-revenue Vehicles



## 2030

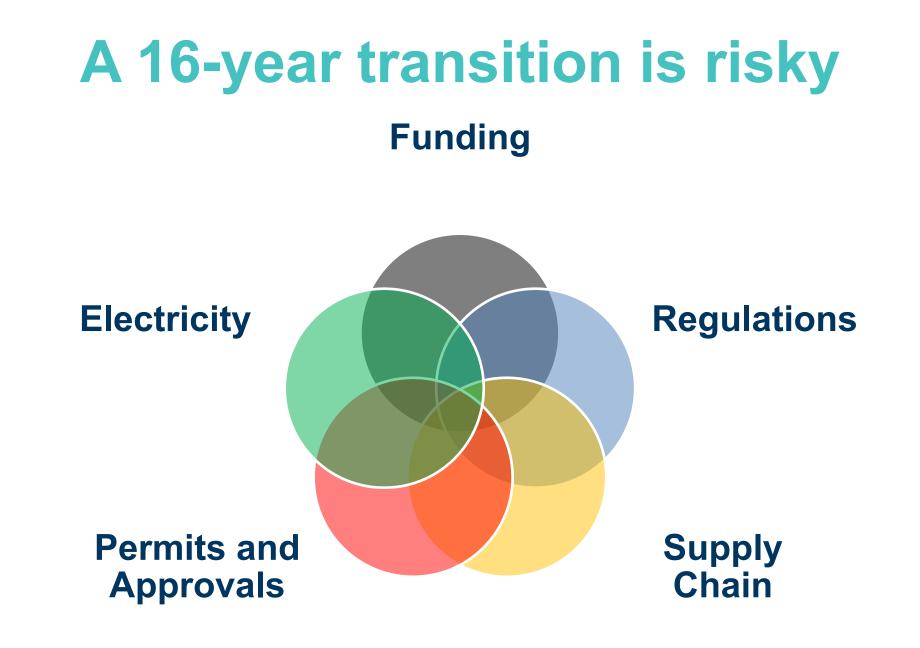
Double Decker Bus Hybrid Heater

Shuttle

Highway Coach

Facilities Expansion HandyDART

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# Creating a Zero Emission Fleet

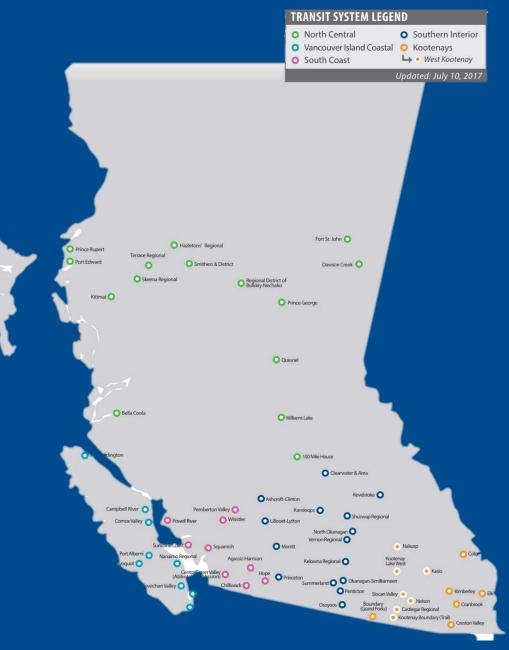
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#### **BC** Transit's Electrification Plans

### **BC** Transit

- Serving 1.8 million people across 130+ communities
- Fifty-eight local government partnerships



### Fleet Transition Strategy

Phase 1 "Starting the Transition"	Phase 2 "Transition and Scale"	Phase 3 "100% Electric"
2023-2027	2028-2032	2033-2040
<ul> <li>Refits for existing aging buses</li> <li>New combustion buses for expansion</li> <li>New electric buses</li> <li>Large quantity of HD BEBs (125</li> <li>Trial HC BEBs (10)</li> <li>Trial LD BEBs (6)</li> <li>Renewable fuels to meet 2025 CleanBC targets</li> </ul>	where possible to do so	<ul> <li>Fulfill replacements and expansions with electric buses</li> <li>Phase out combustion buses from the fleet</li> <li>Phase out compressed natural gas and fuel infrastructure</li> <li>Phase out renewable fuels</li> </ul>

### Phase 1 Deployment Projects

Fleet Type		Scope	Locations
	<b>Heavy Duty</b> (40' Conventional)	<b>125</b> Electric Buses ~ <b>145</b> Charging Points	<u>Larger Deployments (10+ Buses)</u> Victoria, Kelowna, Nanaimo, Kamloops, Whistler <u>Smaller Deployments (~1 to 2 Buses)</u> Chilliwack, Nelson, Powell River, Sunshine Coast
	<b>High Capacity</b> (Double Decker)	~ <b>10</b> Electric Buses ~ <b>12</b> Charging Points	Langford
	Light Duty	~6 Electric Buses ~20 Charging Points	Victoria handyDART

Note: Chargers are universal, not specific to a bus vendor

#### Heavy Duty BEBs Coming in Phase 1



Nova Bus LFSe+



New Flyer Xcelsior Charge NG

#### Phase 1 Deployment Locations

Kelowna

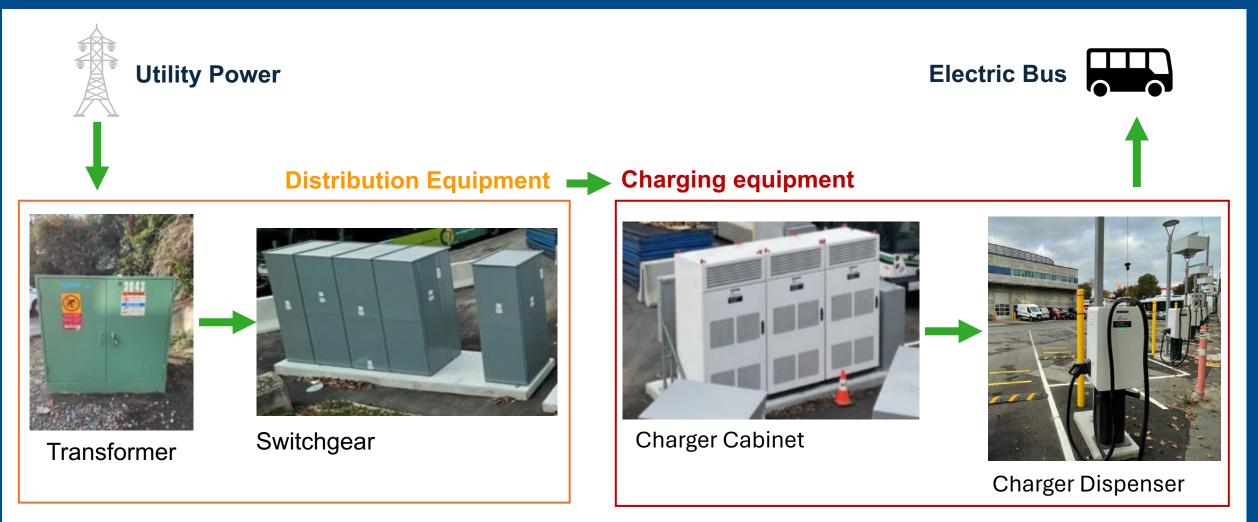
Nanaimo

Victoria

Whistler



#### Charging Infrastructure



Why electrify public transit?

# GHG Reduction Targets

- 16% by 2025
- 40% by 2030
- 60% by 2040
- 80% by 2050



#### **Roadmap to 2030**



#### Fueling & Facilities



#### Emissions & Pollution Reduction



Solution Scalability



Economic Investment & Cost Certainty



#### In-house Expertise



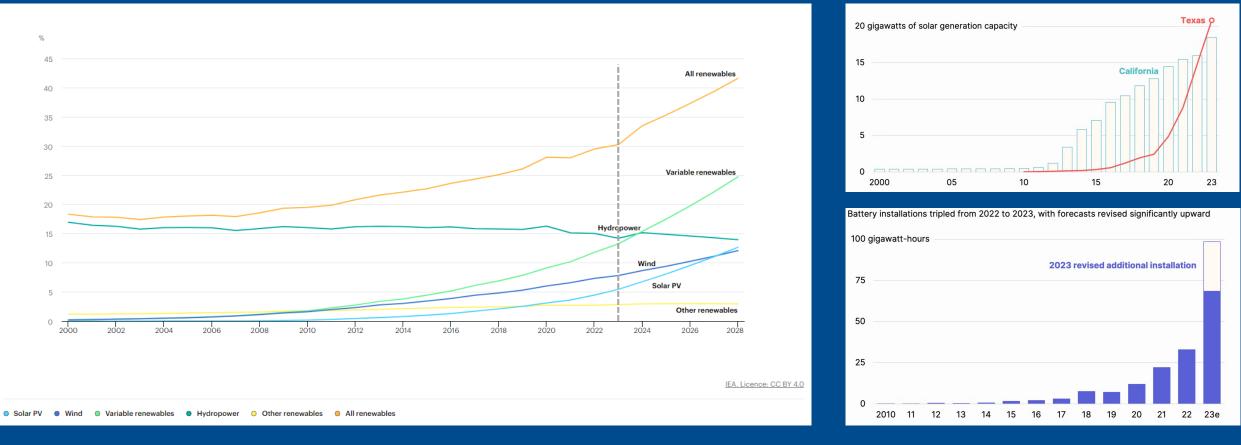
Transit Agency Network Effect

### Massive Network of Agencies

Just some of the Canadian agencies targeting Zero Emissions by 2040 or earlier



#### An Energy Transition is Underway....



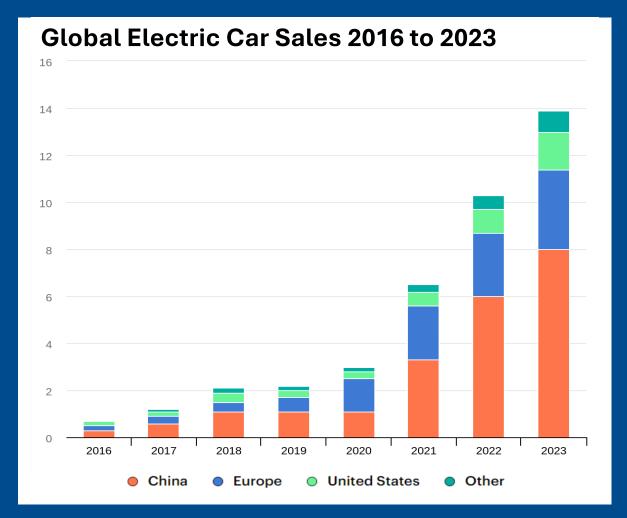
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#### ...for Transportation



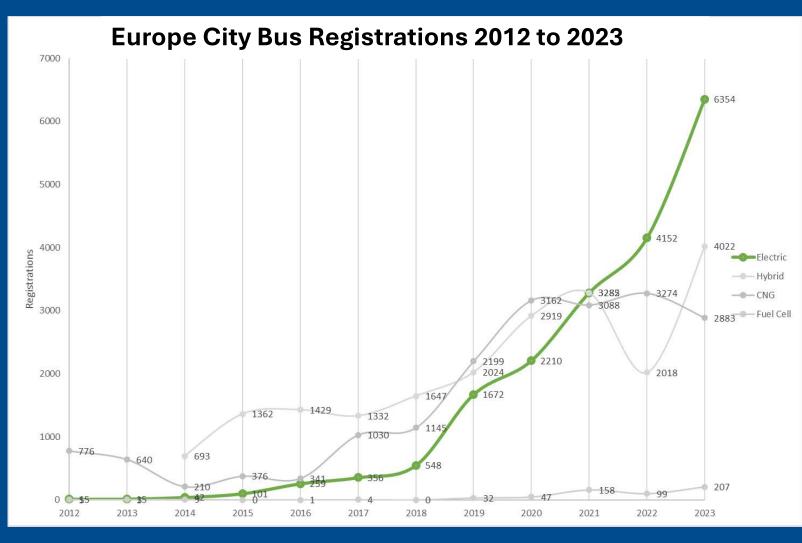
#### ...for Passenger Vehicles



Electric car sales continue exponential growth

Bloomberg New Energy Finance 2024 Electric Vehicle Outlook

#### ...for Public Transit



#### **Electric Bus Registrations:**

- North America 13%
- Europe All Buses 18%
- Europe City Bus 42%

Data from Chatrou CME Solutions

# What stops public transit from going faster?

- Capital Costs & Funding
- Building Charging Infrastructure
- Technology Maturity & Standardization
- Vehicle Production
- Expertise & Training
- Alternatives that are limited and less scalable



# Thank you!



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