Portland's Light Rail Odyssey

- Rex Burkholder, Metro Councilor
Build-a-system tool

To understand community values related to prioritization of high capacity transit corridors, an online build-a-system tool allowed community members to explore trade-offs between corridors and build their own high capacity transit system.

With the build-a-system tool, community members learned about centers that could be served by high capacity transit and to compare corridors based on ridership, travel time, operations cost, capital cost and environmental benefits.

Participants were able to add corridors to their system until they reached a budget cap that approximated the funding that might be available for new high capacity transit in the next 25 to 30 years. Participants could see the total benefits and cost of their system and compare the benefits and costs between systems that they had created. Finally, participants could submit their favorite system to Metro and complete the online questionnaire. The tool and questionnaire were featured in several news articles.
People = Amenities
Sustainability Practices being applied to land use decisions. Can we do better?

The Pearl District Before and After Redevelopment

Redevelopment
*HCT System Plan includes *Build a System* tool

*Activity Spectrum* found in State of the Centers report

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