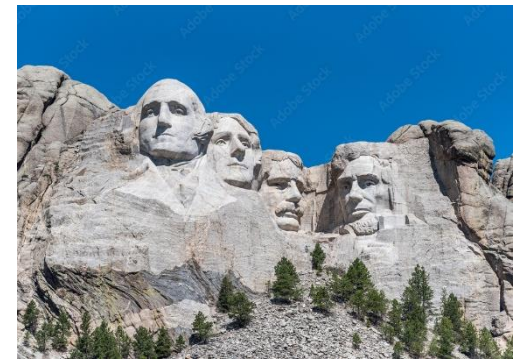




South Dakota Statewide Intercity Bus Study

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Today's Agenda

- **Welcome**
- **Introductions – Sign In**
- **Objectives of the Study**
- **What is Section 5311(f)?**
- **Perceptions of Existing Service**
 - *What is Intercity Bus Service?*
 - *What is South Dakota's Intercity Bus Network?*
- **Discussion of Unmet Rural Intercity Needs**
- **Questions?**

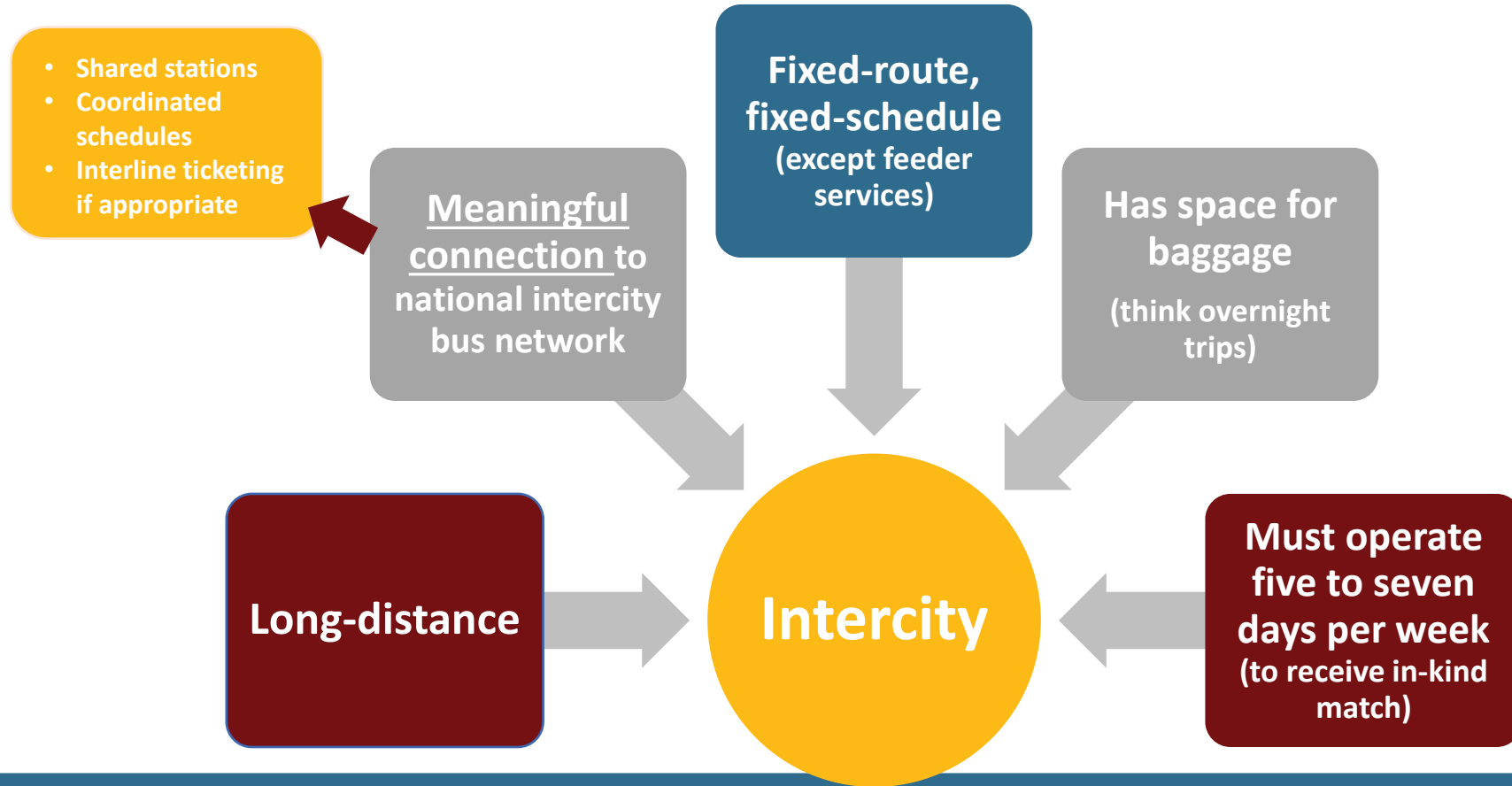
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- Objective 1: Describe Current State of Intercity Bus Services
- Objective 2: Assess Gaps and Needs
- Objective 3: Develop Implementation Strategy
- Objective 4: Develop Intercity Bus Plan

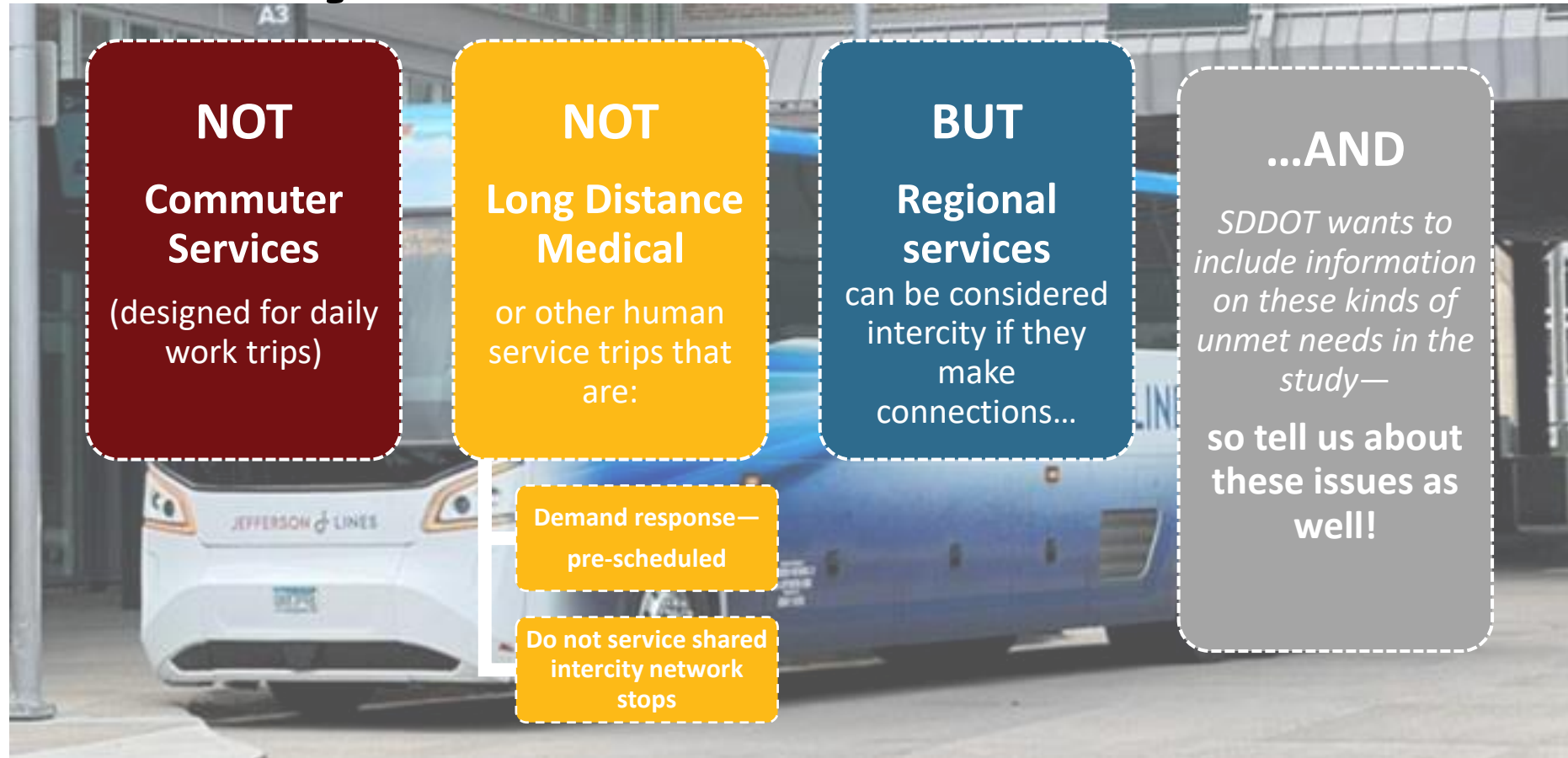
What is Section 5311(f)?

- Section 5311 is Federal formula funding for transit in rural (non-urbanized areas) – every state receives this annually.
- South Dakota DOT administers these funds.
- Section 5311(f) is dedicated funding for Intercity Bus Service in Rural Areas.
- 15% of the state’s annual 5311 apportionment is to be used for rural intercity projects, unless the state determines there are no unmet intercity needs based on a consultation process.
- This study includes the CONSULTATION process.

What is Intercity Bus Service?



Intercity bus service is not...?



NOT
Commuter Services
(designed for daily work trips)

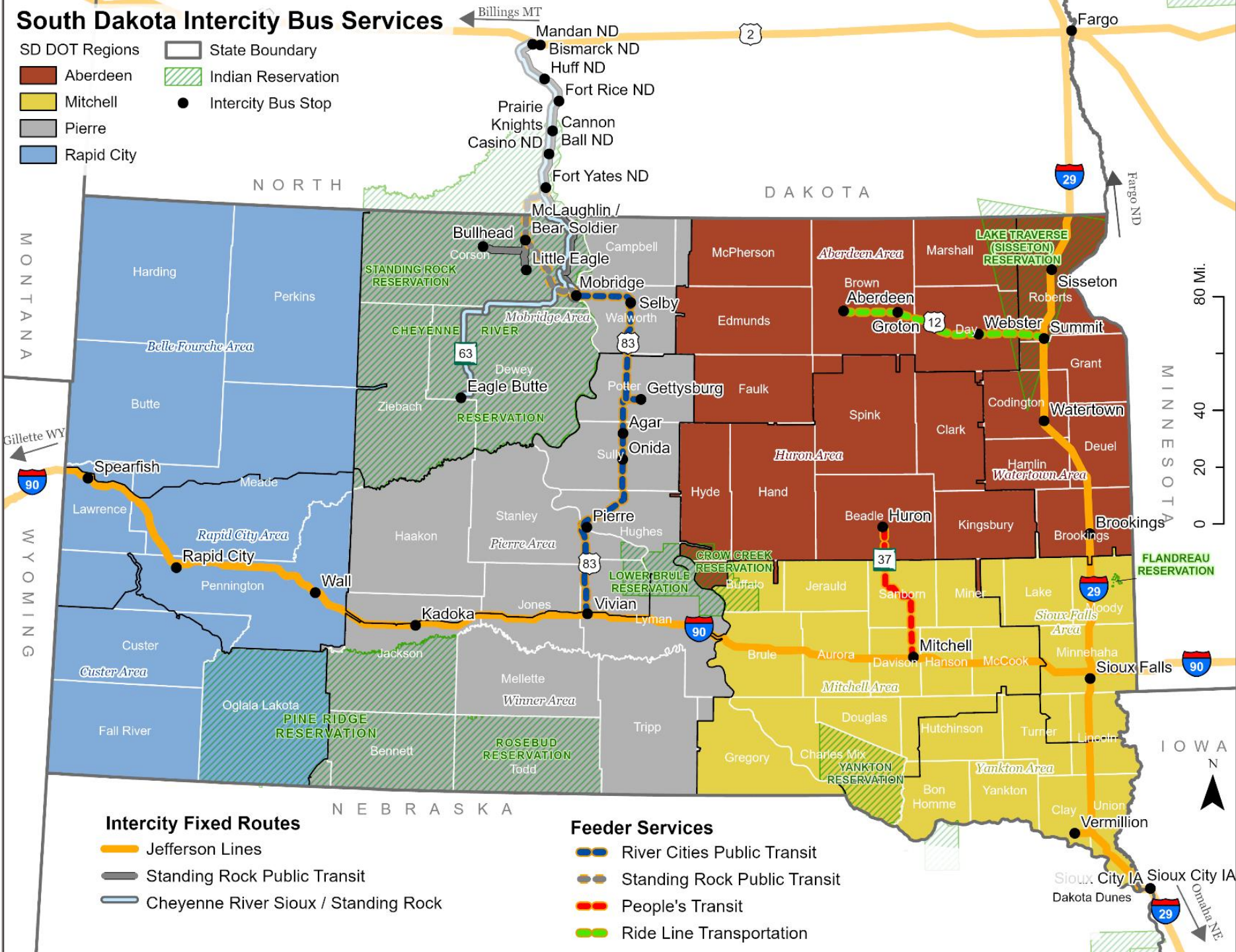
NOT
Long Distance Medical
or other human service trips that are:

- Demand response—pre-scheduled
- Do not service shared intercity network stops

BUT
Regional services
can be considered intercity if they make connections...

...AND
SDDOT wants to include information on these kinds of unmet needs in the study—
so tell us about these issues as well!

South Dakota's Intercity Bus Network:



Current Intercity Bus Providers

- **Jefferson Lines**
 - *Sioux Falls – Spearfish, stops in Mitchell, Vivian, Kadoka, Wall, Rapid City*
 - *Sioux City IA – Fargo ND, stops in Sioux Falls, Brookings, Watertown, Summit, Sisseton*
- **River Cities Public Transit**
 - *Vivian – Pierre*
 - *Pierre – Mobridge, stops in Onida, Agar, Gettysburg, Selby*
- **Ride Line (Aberdeen)**
 - *Aberdeen – Summit, stops in Groton, Webster*
- **Standing Rock Public Transit**
 - *Mobridge – Bismarck ND, stops in McLaughlin*
 - *Bullhead – Fort Yates ND, stops in Little Eagle, Bear Soldier/McLaughlin*
 - *Mobridge – Fort Yates ND, stops in Wakpala, Kenel*
- **Cheyenne River Sioux Transit with Standing Rock Public Transit**
 - *Eagle Butte – Bismarck ND*
- Are there other services in South Dakota that should be considered as “intercity”?

Now we need to hear from you...what are your perceptions of these intercity services?



Let your voice be heard!

- *Were you aware of these services?*
- *Have you ever used them?*

What is your perception of the existing intercity services?

- *How easy is it to get information about them?*
- *To get tickets?*
- *Are buses on-time? Is the service reliable?*
- *Is the staff professional and friendly?*
- *How are the bus stops? Transfer/connections?*
- *Do you feel safe?*
- *Do you feel confident that you will get there?*

Do we need to focus on maintaining existing services?

- *Are there existing intercity services requiring assistance to remain available?*

Are there additional unmet needs for intercity service?

- *New routes? Where?*
- *Additional schedules?*
- *More/better connections with other services?*
- *Better facilities?*
- *Better information?*

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Regional Planning and
Development Survey



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