

Paratransit Market Study for the Lake County Region

Status Update to the Energy and Environment Committee



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Background

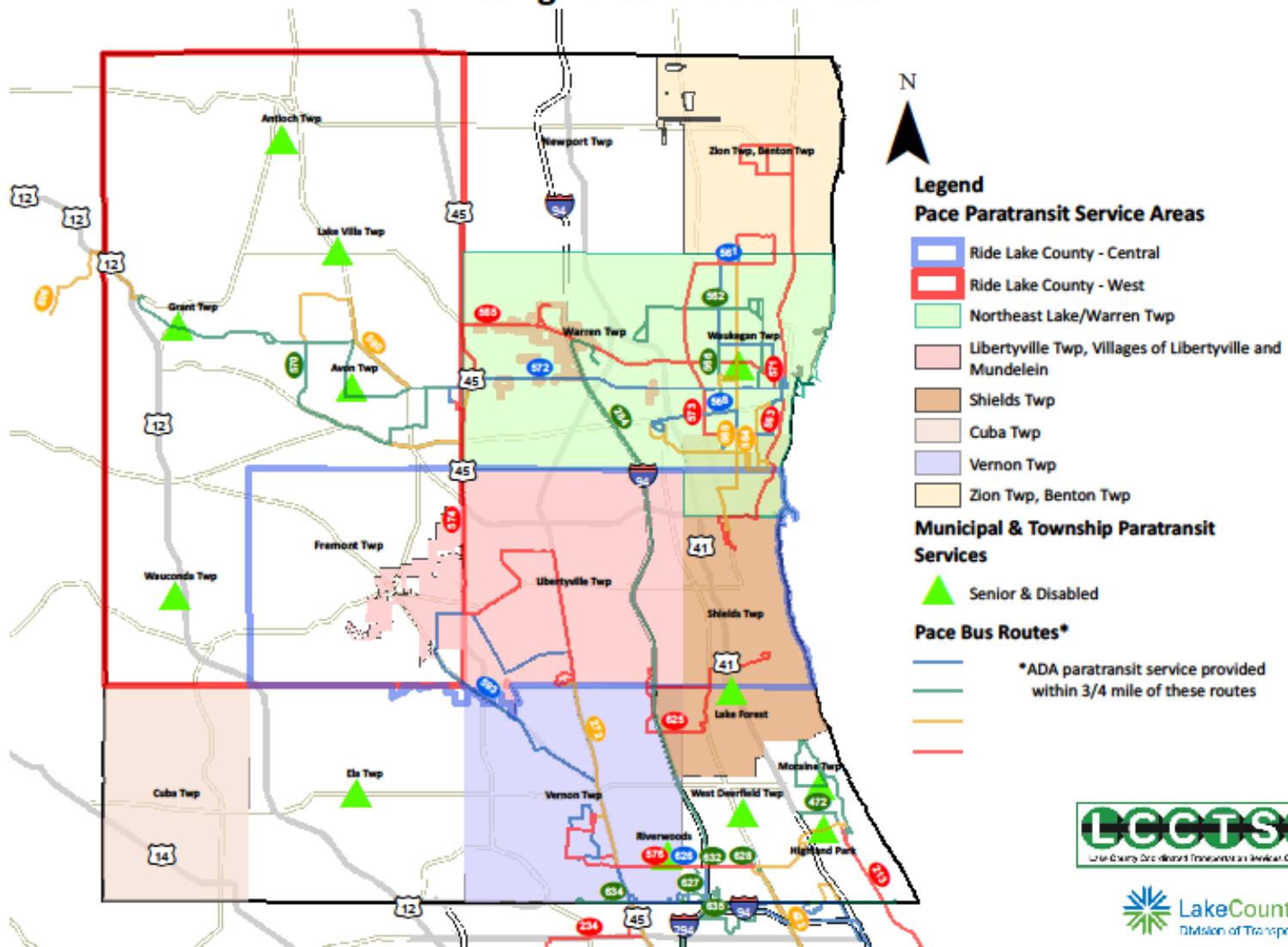
- Paratransit is demand-response service where passengers must reserve a ride in advance.
- Target users are those who may not be able to use fixed route service
 - older adults
 - people with disabilities
- Provided by Pace, Townships, Municipalities, not-for-profit groups, private companies
- Ride Lake County (West/Central)
- Lake County Coordinated Transportation Services Committee (LCCTSC)

Study Purpose

- Development of a ***sustainable, implementable plan for improving mobility options*** for the Lake County region
- Mobility options may benefit other residents, but will focus on the ***target user groups of older adults, people with disabilities, and individuals with lower incomes***

Current Service Area Map

Lake County, IL Existing Paratransit Services



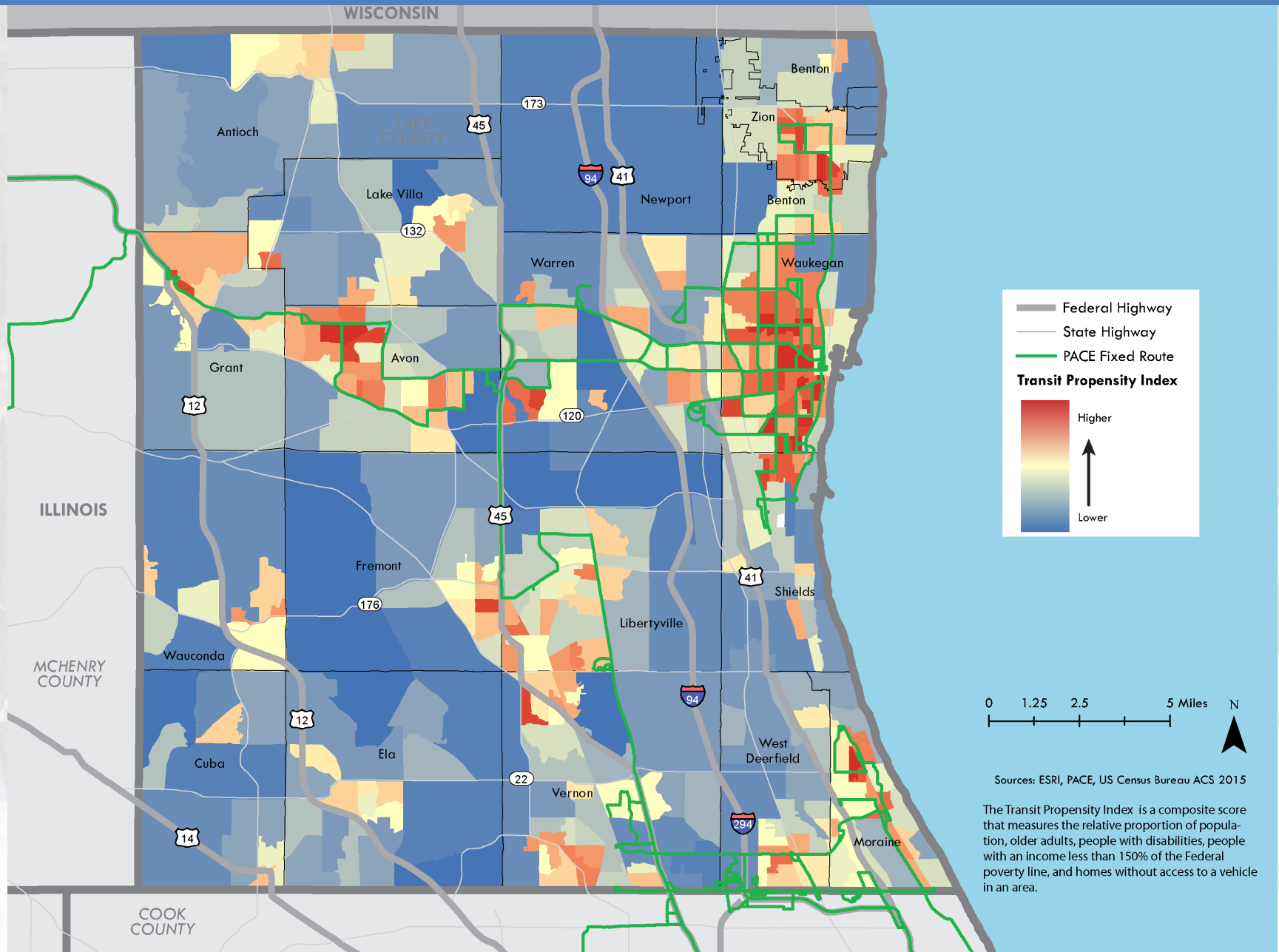
Stakeholder Feedback

- Objectives
 - Make services easier to find, understand, and use
 - Market services countywide to increase awareness, support, and use
 - Explore employment transportation options to address stated needs
 - Add new services to address other service gaps

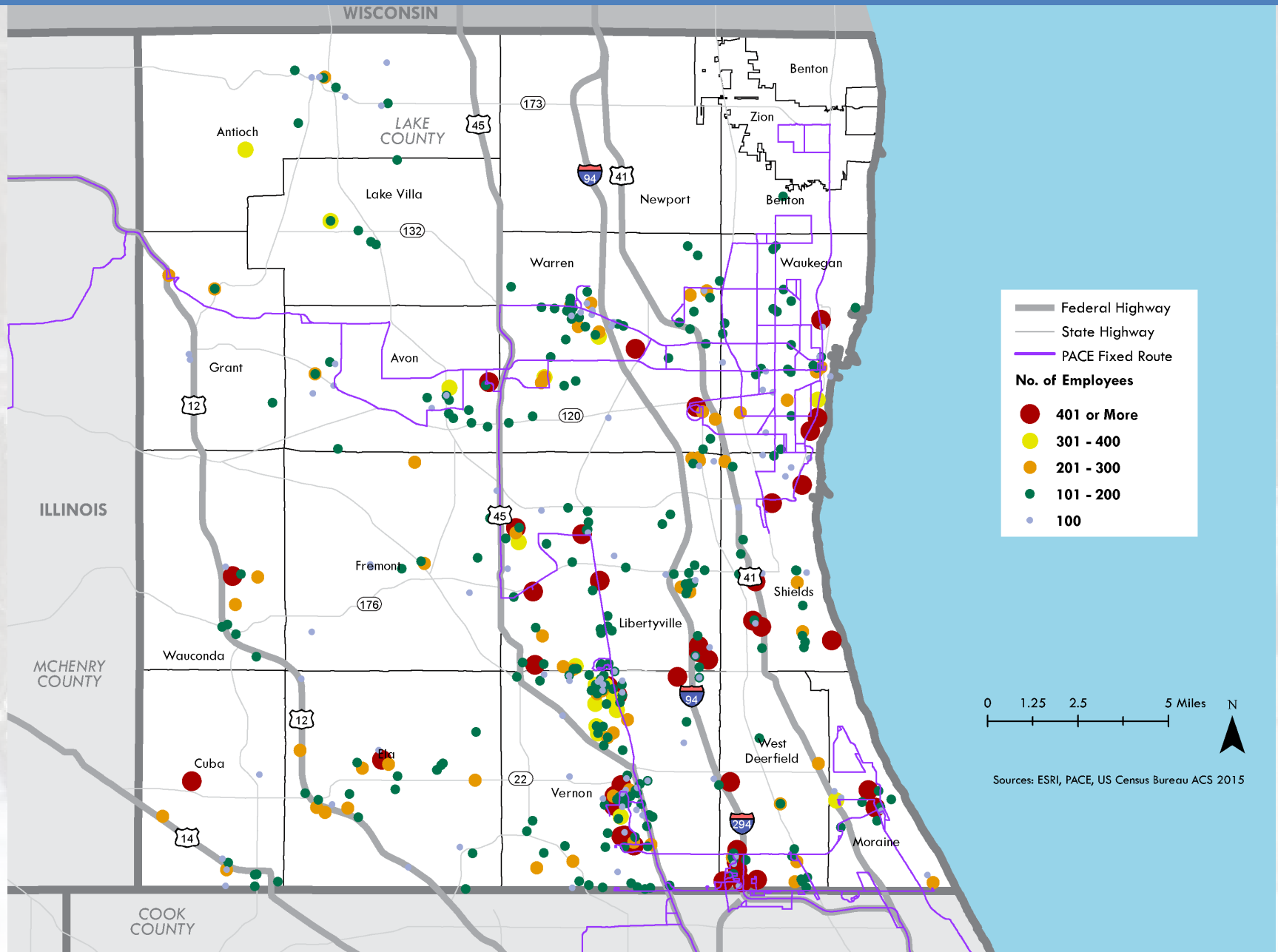
Study Recommendations

- Governance Changes
 - Establish working group
 - Determine lead agency
 - Dissolve LCCTSC
 - Create Ride Lake County Committee
- Short-Term Strategies (8 strategies, 1-3 years)
- Medium-Term Strategies (6 strategies, 4-6 years)
- Long-Term Strategies (2 strategies, 7-10 years)

Transit Propensity Index



Employment Overlay



Next Steps

- Final Report (target 1Q 2019)
- Initial Governance Changes
 - Form working group
 - Start exploring potential lead agency



Thank You!