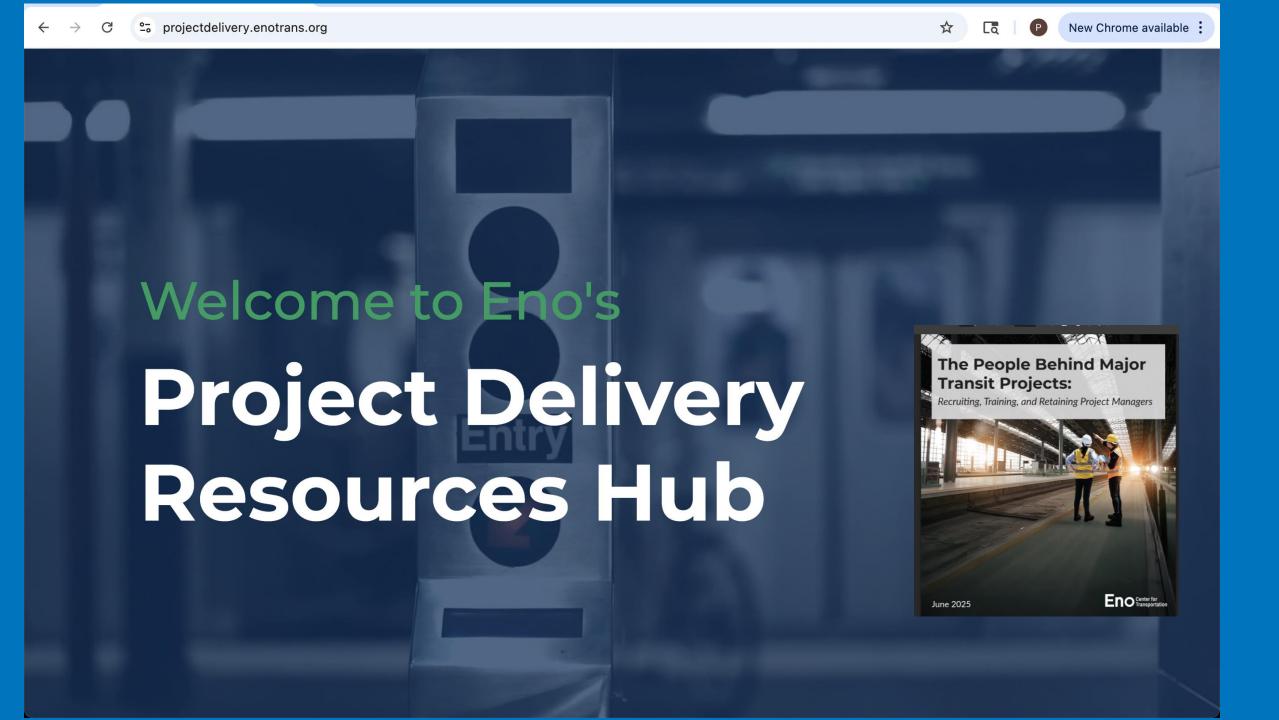
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Problem

- U.S. pays 50% more to build transit than peer countries
- Transit projects take longer to construct in the U.S.
- Major cost and timeline drivers

Three Key Lessons

- 1. Permitting & Environmental Review
- 2. Managing Projects
- 3. Governance

1. Permitting and environmental review

- Invest in staff and processes.
- Early and consistent coordination
- Utility relocation
- Land acquisition

2. Managing Projects

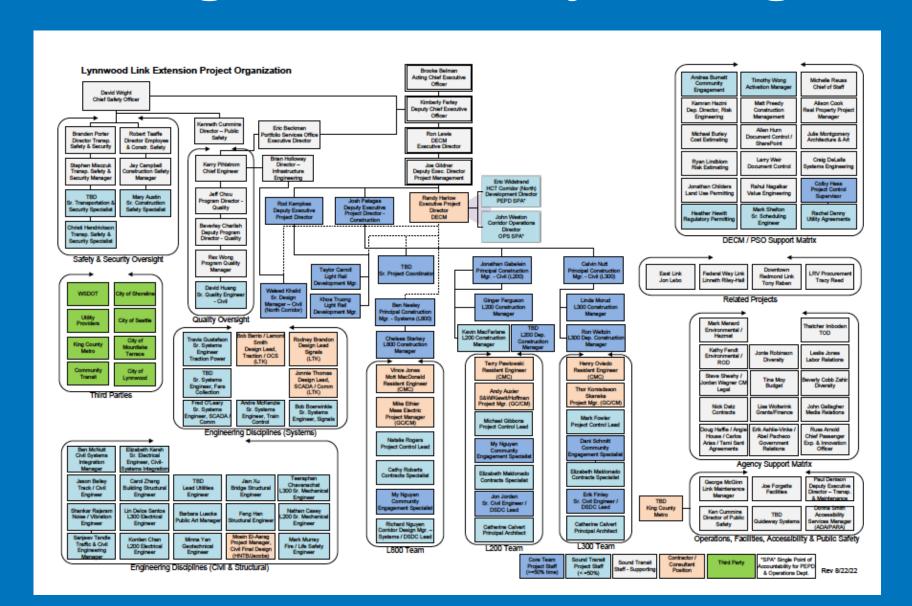
Factors that make recruitment difficult:

- Higher private sector salaries
- Limited talent pipeline in the transportation industry
- Lack of long-term career opportunities
- Extraordinary range of skills and traits needed

Great project manager for large transit project

- Intelligence of Albert Einstein
- Patience of a saint
- Negotiating skills of Nancy Pelosi
- Savvy of James Bond
- Planning skills of a general
- Communication skills of Michelle Obama
- Integrity of the pope
- Drive of Mark Zuckerberg
- Tough skin of an armadillo
- Ego of Mother Teresa

Seattle Light Rail - Project Org. Chart



Skill set

Technical expertise

Soft Skills:

- leadership
- strategic thinking
- interpersonal
- problem-solving
- decision-making

Communications skills

- Present info in timely, clear, and accessible manner.
- With agency staff, leadership, consultants, contractors, partners, media, public, property owners, businesses...
- Needed to collaborate and coordinate

Agencies and projects are like ...

- First project or pipeline
- Contract type and project delivery method
- Need review personnel, processes, and systems

Recruitment

Underestimating importance & difficulty of attracting talent.

• Salary disparity between public and private sectors.

Highlight distinct advantages of working in public sector.

Use of consultants

Offer valuable expertise

• Don't overly rely upon them

Retention

Better-paying opportunities in the private sector.

Clear career advancement pathways.

Deputy project manager positions

Professional Development

Formalize and institutionalize training

Learning from other agencies

Very important: Failing to document lessons learned

3. Governance

Each approach to governance and funding reflects a combination of history, laws, regional growth, geography, economic development, and local circumstances.

Agency Arrangement

Type	Examples
Intercounty	Caltrain
agreement	
County	Many suburban bus agencies
City	Toronto, London
Regional Authority	NY, Seattle, S.F.
State / Province	Ontario, NJ Transit

Many Regions Have Similar Histories



Cities take over transit from private operators



Regional agencies created





Agencies integrate to create more seamless networks.

Transit system functions can be centralized or decentralized

Service

planning, operating, standards

Fare policy

Affordability, intermodal transfers

Capital

planning, construction, debt

Funding

Administrative

procurement, communication, real estate



Delivering Capital Projects

Agencies leading project delivery need authority, resources, and talented staff

Can have separate construction agency





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