

# Participatory Planning Initiative on upcoming developments in connection with the REM project in Kirkland

**1<sup>st</sup> session**  
**Information and  
discussion meeting**

May 24, 2017



## **AGENDA FOR THE EVENING**

1. Welcoming address
2. Objectives of tonight's meeting
3. Presentation of the REM project
4. The REM in Kirkland
5. Citizen participation process
6. Next session
7. Discussion period
8. Concluding remarks

## OBJECTIVES OF TONIGHT'S MEETING

- Inform citizens about the REM project
- Explain the citizen consultation process
- Respond to citizens' questions and queries

# THE REM PROJECT

- Project undertaken by the *Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec* (CDPQ Infra) at the request of the Quebec Government
- The CDPQ's mandate encompasses the rail location and the selection of the municipalities for the 27 stations

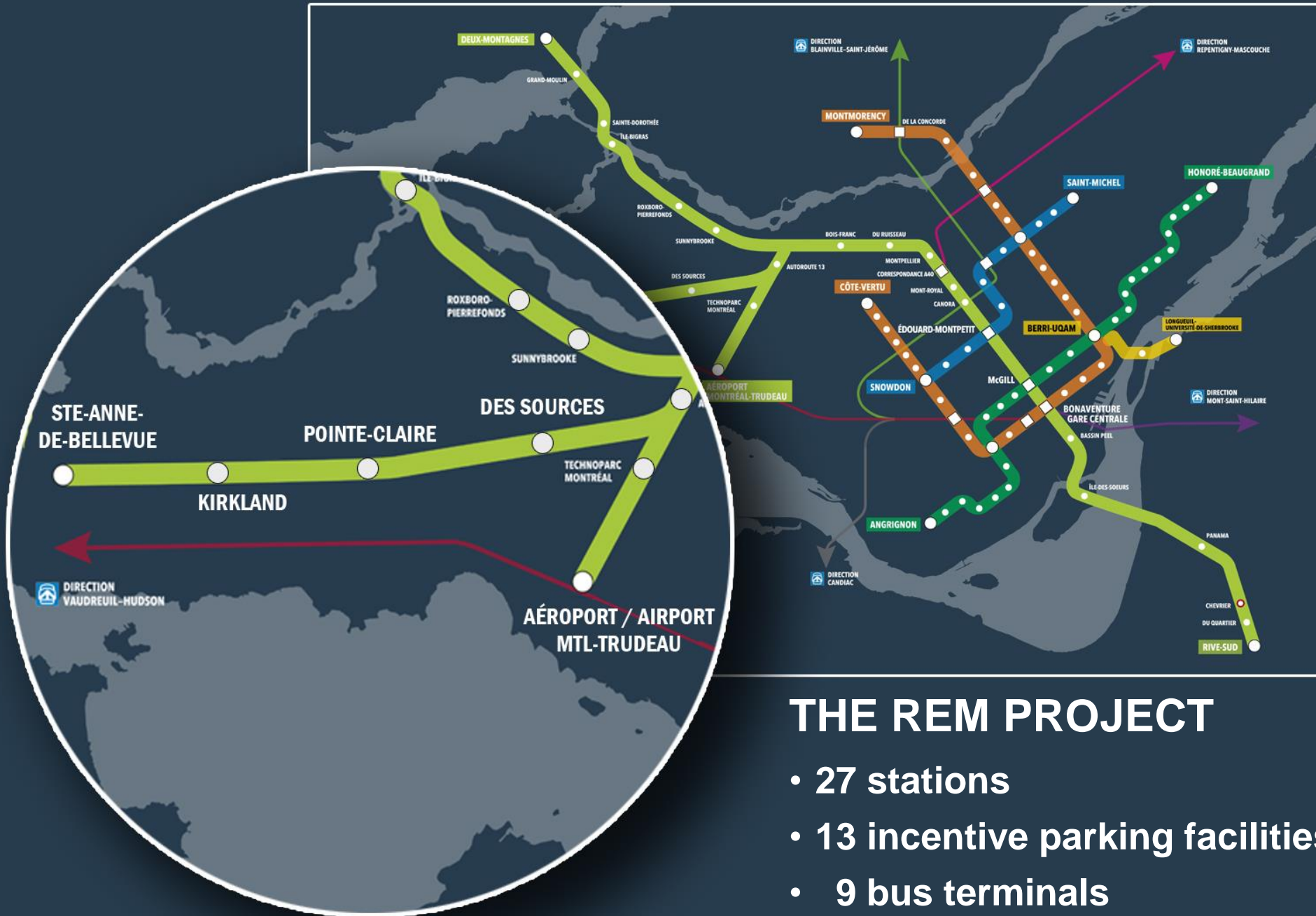
Québec 

 **CDPQ**  
Infra

# THE REM PROJECT

- 67 km automated electric light rail transit system
- Links the South Shore to downtown Montreal, the Montreal-Trudeau airport, the West Island and the North Shore
- First train entering service in 2020
- Cost of the project: \$6 billion





# THE REM PROJECT

- 27 stations
- 13 incentive parking facilities
- 9 bus terminals

## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE REM PROJECT

- Responds to the need for public transit in the West Island
- Structured network  
(links to other public transportation networks, frequent passages, vast territory covered ...)
- Opportunities to develop or redevelop the areas surrounding the future stations

# CHARACTERISTICS OF THE REM PROJECT

Highlights from information communicated by the CDPQ Infra :

- Reduced cars on the road hence reduced greenhouse gas emissions
- Reduced traffic congestion and associated financial losses (\$3 billion/year according to the MTQ)
- Job creation (approximately 34,000)



## 4. THE REM IN KIRKLAND

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# THE REM IN KIRKLAND

in numbers (approximate)



**5** kilometres of rail

**1** station

**1** train every 6-12 minutes

**30** minutes to downtown Montreal



Site retenu  
Selected site

KIRKLAND

Site initial  
Initial site

SAINT-CHARLES

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# Initial Site

## Why was it not selected?

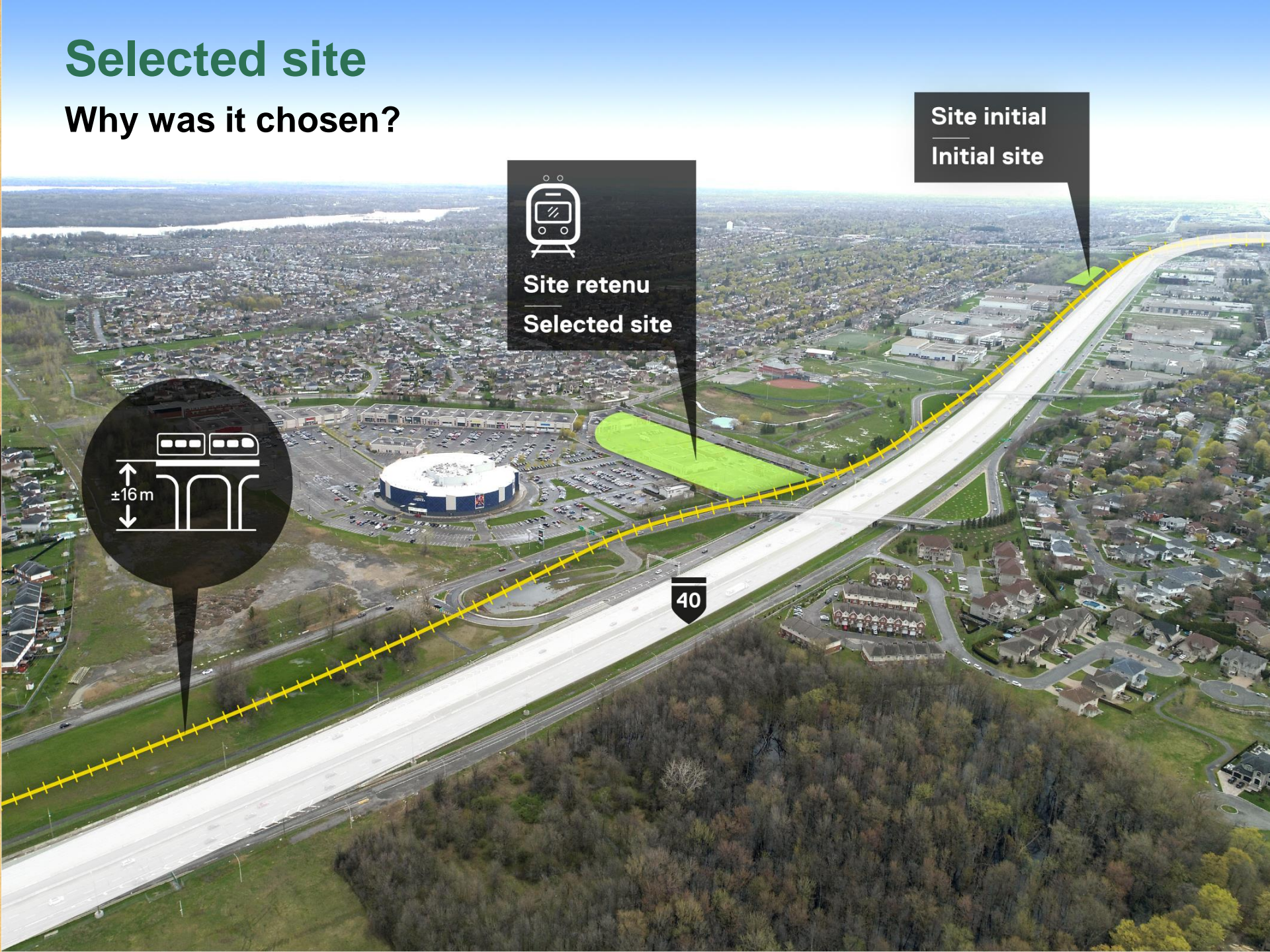


Major issues to contend with:


- Worsening of traffic congestion on and around Saint-Charles
- Logistically impossible to accommodate a train station
- Not feasible to adapt Saint-Charles Boulevard to the needs of a train station

# Selected site

Why was it chosen?



Site initial  
Initial site

  
Site retenu  
Selected site



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# Selected site

Why was it chosen?



Ability to adapt new road infrastructures  
Opportunity to revisit the usage of a commercial area  
Opportunity to redevelop an urban heat island

# Projected Infrastructures



## **5. CITIZEN CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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# OBJECTIVES OF THE CONSULTATION PROCESS

## Inform citizens

About the REM project developments

## Involve citizens

In the participatory planning process for the Kirkland station site (study area)

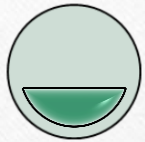


## Make the most informed decisions possible

According to what the City can control and what is the most beneficial for Kirkland



# PLANNED ACTIVITIES



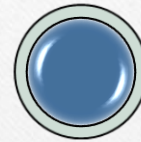
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Evening of  
information  
and  
discussion



June 14, 2017

Working  
session on  
the vision  
for the Kirkland  
station site  
(study area)



To be  
determined

Co-design  
exercise for  
the Kirkland  
station site  
(study area)

# PARTICIPATION CHARTER

## Role of the Town of Kirkland

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- Initiate the citizen participatory process
- Provide accurate and relevant information to facilitate discussions and the sharing of ideas
- Validate consensus reached and develop a plan that takes into consideration the results of the consultation process

# PARTICIPATION CHARTER

## Role of the participants

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- Get informed about the process, recognize its validity and respect the rules of participation
- Listen to one another and participate in a dialogue demonstrating tolerance and openness
- Ensure that the common good supersedes personal interest
- Participate effectively so that sustainable proposals, collectively developed to meet the needs of the community, can emerge

# PARTICIPATION CHARTER

## Role of Convercité

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- Facilitate public participation
- Ensure that the process is objective and evolutive
- Ensure that the information provided is accurate, complete and clear for all
- Allow a diversity of views
- Act towards participants in a fair and transparent manner while respecting each other's opinion

# SESSION OF JUNE 14, 2017

## What is your vision for this site ?



Secteur d'étude  
Study area

Site de la station  
REM Kirkland  
Station Site

ELKAS

JEAN-YVES

VOIE DE SERVICE / SERVICE ROAD

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# FOLLOW THE EVOLUTION OF THE REM PROJECT



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PROJECTED OVERPASS



INITIAL SITE



PROJECTED REM STATION



REM RAIL



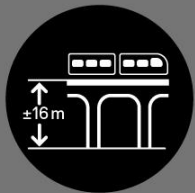
BUS STATION



BUFFER ZONE



PROJECTED PARKING LOT



RAIL HEIGHT