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I am writing to oppose any deviation from the 2014 deadline for rollout of the GLX.
(As you know even 2014 is past the original "deadline" of 2011!)

The delay in rolling out the project will result in millions of dollars in additional costs as we are now in one of the lowest construction cost times in recent history. Construction costs will only go higher.

Also the mitigation that must be put in place due to the delay will greatly inflate the cost.

The delay together with these additional costs may indeed kill the project even though it is a legal obligation.

Finally, the postive ecomonic regional impact of the projecct is needed now especially with the good construction jobs it will create and the growth in Transit Oriented Development along the entire Green Line extension corridor that will follow.

I urge you to move forward with the project even without the illusive and highly speculative possibility of federal funding.

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