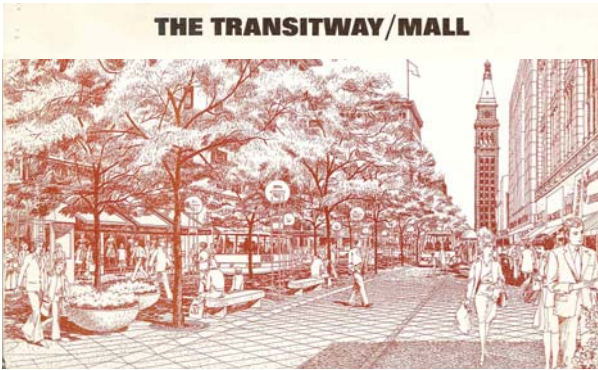


The Transitway/Mall



PURPOSE OF THE MALL:

1. **Lessen traffic congestion** in the downtown
2. Provide **more efficient bus service** to city and suburban neighborhoods
3. Create **a new pedestrian environment** in the downtown — **a place for people.**

"The proposal has been developed in response to a **need to reduce bus congestion** along 16th and 17th Streets, and to **improve** the production of **transportation services throughout the six county district**, according to [RTD Board Chairman John] Crowley. 'Even with exclusive bus lanes in use during peak hours, **congestion is so severe that buses move more slowly than the average person walks**' he said. With the implementation of the transitway, and the accompanying efficiency in routing of express buses, more buses will be available for use in productive service . . ."



"The plan provides a full complement of new lighting, benches, fountains, shelters, and other amenities. But here we have stopped, for **the plan by choice is a simple one. It is a framework and setting for both the present and future.** Filling it initially with an array of podia, playgrounds, or other fixed objects would preempt opportunities for creating new things later on. Ample space is provided for sidewalk cafes, kiosks, vending carts and displays **which can evolve into permanent elements or change as different needs emerge**"



Prior Studies

Timeline of Past Studies

Key Conclusions Relevant to Current NEPA Study

