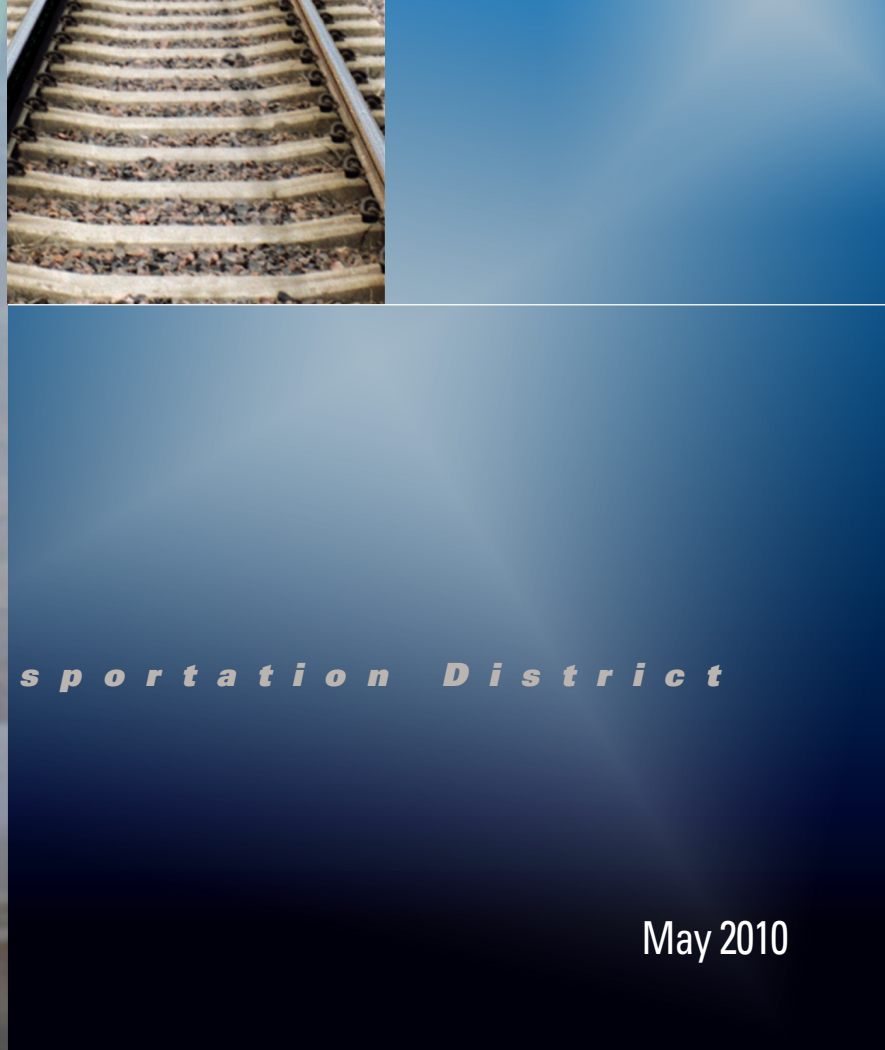


# Northwest Rail Corridor

## Final Environmental Evaluation

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## Acronyms and Abbreviations

2035 MVRTP	2035 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan
ACBM	asbestos containing building materials
ACC	Activity Center Connector
AST	Above Ground Storage Tank
BE	Basic Engineering
BMP	best management practices
BRT	Bus Rapid Transit
Btu	British thermal unit
CBD	Central Business District
CCD	City and County of Denver
CDOT	Colorado Department of Transportation
CDOW	Colorado Department of Wildlife
CDPHE	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CNG	compressed natural gas
CRMF	Commuter Rail Maintenance Facility
CWA	Clean Water Act
DEIS	Draft Environmental Impact Statement
DIA	Denver International Airport
DMU	diesel multiple unit
DRCOG	Denver Regional Council of Governments
DUS	Denver Union Station
EA	Environmental Assessment
<i>E. coli</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>
EE	Environmental Evaluation
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EMU	electric multiple unit

EO	Executive Order
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
ESA	Environmental Site Assessment
FACWet	Functional Assessment of Colorado Wetlands
FCA	Fish Consumption Advisory
FE	Federally Endangered
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FIRM	Flood Insurance Rate Map
FPPA	Farmland Protection Policy Act
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FT	Federally Threatened
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
GIS	geographic information system
GP	general purpose
GT	Governments Team
HBW	home-based work
HHS	Health and Human Services
HOA	homeowners association
HOT	high-occupancy toll
HOV	high-occupancy vehicle
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development
I-#	Interstate #
ID	identification
LEDPA	Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative
LHC	locomotive-hauled coach
<i>Longmont EE</i>	<i>Longmont Diagonal Rail Environmental Evaluation</i>
LOS	Level of Service
LPA	Locally Preferred Alternative
LRT	light rail transit
LUST	leaking underground storage tank

LWCF	Land and Water Conservation Fund Act
MBO	Minority Business Office
MBTA	Migratory Bird Treaty Act
MESA	<i>Modified Environmental Site Assessment</i>
mph	miles per hour
MIS	<i>Major Investment Study</i>
Montana Method	Montana Department of Transportation Wetland Functional Assessment Method
MS4	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area
msl	mean sea level
MVRTP	<i>Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan</i>
NDIS	Natural Diversity Information Source
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
NFRMPO	North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NWR	Northwest Rail
NWR Corridor EE	Northwest Rail Corridor Environmental Evaluation
PAC	Preferred Alternative Committee
PCEA	<i>Programmatic Cumulative Effects Analysis</i>
PEM	palustrine emergent
PIP	Public Involvement Plan
PSS	palustrine scrub/shrub
PUC	Public Utilities Commission
ROW	right-of-way
RTD	Regional Transportation District
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
SC	State Species of Special Concern
SE	State Endangered
SF	square feet
SH	State Highway

SOV	single-occupant vehicle
SPCC	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures Plan
ST	State Threatened
SWMP	Stormwater Management Plan
TAZ	transportation analysis zone
TMDL	total maximum daily load
TMO	Transportation Mobility Organization
TIP	<i>2008-2013 Transportation Improvement Plan</i>
TOD	transit-oriented development
TOFC	Trailer-on-Flat-Car
TWC	Track Warrant Control
UDFCD	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
UNCC	Utility Notification Center of Colorado
Uniform Act	Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended
UP	Union Pacific
URS	URS Corporation
U.S.	United States
US #	United States Highway #
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USC	United States Code
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	United States Geological Survey
UST	underground storage tank
VHD	vehicle hours of delay
VHT	vehicle hours traveled
VMT	vehicle miles traveled
Walsh	Walsh Environmental Scientists and Engineers, LLC
WQCC	Water Quality Control Commission

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