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**WEST CORRIDOR PROJECT TO HELP
IMPACTED LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS SPRUCE UP FOR SPRING
REMOVED TREES TURNED TO MULCH FOR ARBOR DAY MULCH GIVEAWAY**

Denver, April 16, 2009 – Denver Transit Construction Group, the West Corridor Light Rail construction contractor, and the Regional Transportation District (RTD) will be giving away wood chip mulch to eligible residents on Saturday, April 25, 2009 in recognition of Arbor Day. Trees in RTD’s right-of-way have been removed recently to prepare for construction activities. These trees have been turned into mulch and will be given to Lakewood residents most affected by project construction and tree removal on the West Corridor. Boundaries for eligibility are between 6th Avenue and Colfax Avenue and between Sheridan Blvd. and Oak Street. Mulch will be available between the hours of 8:00 am and 12:00 pm at 1305 Quail Street. Residents are limited to one pick-up load per property address and proof of residency will be required. For more information contact Kathy Berumen at 303-626-6762 or go to the West Corridor Web site at www.RTD-FasTracks.com.

The 12.1-mile West Corridor light rail project is the first of the FasTracks corridors to start construction. The West Corridor line will operate between Denver Union Station in downtown Denver and the Jefferson County Government Center in Golden; serving Denver, Lakewood, the Denver Federal Center, Golden and Jefferson County. The corridor is scheduled to open to the public in 2013.

FasTracks is RTD’s voter-approved, 12-year program to expand rail and bus service throughout the RTD service area. Scheduled for completion in 2017, FasTracks will create six new rail corridors, extend three existing corridors, build 18 miles of bus rapid transit service, add 21,000 new parking spaces, redevelop Denver Union Station and redirect bus service to better connect the eight-county District.

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