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FasTracks West Corridor construction moves to Denver

WEST CORRIDOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION STARTS IN DENVER

Denver, July 10, 2008 – Denver Transit Construction Group, the West Corridor construction contractor, will start their construction efforts in Denver in mid July with the construction of two light rail bridges and three pedestrian bridges. The pedestrian bridges will be built in the gulch area at Tennyson Street, Wolff Street and Hazel Court. The light rail bridges will also be built in the Lakewood Dry Gulch at approximately Yates Street on the west and Raleigh Street on the east. Construction of all bridges will occur over the next six to eight months.

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 expand bus service across the eight-county District.

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