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FasTracks West Corridor construction

WEST CORRIDOR CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN AT WADSWORTH

Denver, July 9, 2009 – Denver Transit Construction Group, the West Corridor construction contractor, will start their construction efforts on the Wadsworth Bridge in mid July. Initial activities will include the demolition of three buildings adjacent to 13th Avenue just east of Wadsworth, preparation of a construction staging area and drilling for bridge abutments. Construction will be phased with activity beginning on the east side of Wadsworth at 13th Avenue and then moving to the west side later this month. Other properties acquired by RTD in this area will be demolished at a later date. Construction activities will occur over the next 18 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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