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WEST CORRIDOR CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

WEST CORRIDOR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE FINDS A HOME IN DENVER

Denver, November 6, 2008 – Denver Transit Construction Group, the West Corridor construction contractor, will set the first pedestrian bridge in the Lakewood Dry Gulch area at approximately Wolff Street on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2008. The truss bridge is 67.5 feet long and weighs in at 18,000 pounds. It was built off-site and will be transported by truck the morning of the 12th. Cranes will begin setting the bridge in place at 9:00 am. This particular bridge will not be open to the public for several years, however, two similar bridges will be set at Tennyson Street and Hazel Court later this year and both will open shortly thereafter enabling pedestrian and bicycle traffic to avoid construction activities in the gulch.

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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