The East Rail Line is part of RTD FasTracks’ 2004 voter-approved plan to expand transit across the Denver metro region.

Once completed, it will be a 22.8-mile electric commuter rail transit line between Denver Union Station and Denver International Airport (DIA).

RTD FasTracks is building six stations on the line: 38th•Blake, 40th•Colorado, Central Park, Peoria, Airport & 40th Blvd•Gateway Park and Denver Airport.

Construction began in August 2010 and the line is scheduled to open in 2016. It is part of the larger Eagle P3 Project that is also building the Gold Line and the first segment of the Northwest Rail Line.

1997: Plans for rapid transit between downtown and DIA began when RTD conducted an investment study to determine recommendations for commuter rail, light rail, highway widening and transportation management.

2003: RTD FasTracks and the Colorado Department of Transportation initiated an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process to study improvements to the I-70 East Corridor.

2007: Federal Transit Administration (FTA) officials selected the East and Gold rail lines for a pilot public-private partnership program and folded them into the Eagle P3 Project.

2009: RTD FasTracks released a final EIS; received an FTA Record of Decision, completing the environmental process; and released a Request for Proposals seeking a private partner(s) to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the East and Gold rail lines.

2010: RTD FasTracks selected Denver Transit Partners as Eagle P3’s contractor for a 34-year concession.

2011: Eagle P3 received a $1.03 billion Full Funding Grant Agreement from the FTA, the largest awarded to date at that time by the Obama administration.

Length: 22.8 miles
Vehicle: Electric Commuter Rail
Stations: 6
Parking Spaces: 3,529 (opening day), 7,900 (2030)
Service Frequency: 15 min (6 a.m. - 8 p.m.) / 30 min (early a.m., late p.m.)

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