EAST RAIL LINE AT A GLANCE

- The East Rail Line is part of RTD’s 2004 voter-approved FasTracks plan to expand transit across the Denver metro region.
- Once completed, it will be a 23-mile electric commuter rail line between Denver’s Union Station and Denver International Airport (DIA).
- RTD FasTracks is building seven stations on the line: 38th•Blake, 40th•Colorado, Central Park, Peoria, Airport & 40th Blvd•Gateway Park, Peña Boulevard and Denver Airport.
- It is part of the larger Eagle P3 project that is also building the Gold (G) Line and the first segment of the Northwest Rail (B) Line.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- 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 Rail and Gold lines for a public-private partnership pilot program, which gave birth to 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 private partners 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; construction began.
- 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.
- 2014: The last rail was laid and the first rail vehicles arrived in Denver.
- 2016: Line opens to public as the A Line.

EAST RAIL LINE FAST FACTS

- Length: 23 miles
- Vehicle: Electric Commuter Rail
- Stations: 7
- Parking Spaces: 4,329 (opening day), 8,700 (2030)
- Service Frequency: 15 min (6 a.m. - 8 p.m.) / 30 min (early a.m., late p.m.)

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