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## **June 26 & 27 Public Workshop Meetings Discuss Preferred Project Alternative for Gold Line**

DENVER, Colo., (June 8, 2007) – On June 26 and 27, the Gold Line Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) project team will host two public workshop meetings to discuss the team’s recommended Locally Preferred Alternative for the FasTracks corridor. Two alternatives are being evaluated for the Gold Line. One would operate commuter rail along the railroad alignment and the other would operate streetcar on local streets including 38th Avenue, Harlan Street and Ralston Road.

The Gold Line EIS project will determine the future of the rapid-transit corridor between downtown Denver and the vicinity of Ward Road, serving northwest Denver, unincorporated Adams County, Arvada and Wheat Ridge.

The community meetings are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the following locations:

- **Tuesday, June 26** – Arvada Center, 6901 Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada.
- **Wednesday, June 27** – Highlands Masonic Center, 3550 Federal Blvd., Denver.

The community workshop meetings will feature displays explaining the Gold Line EIS process, a summary of the refinements and analysis results for the remaining alternatives and ample opportunity for the public to comment on specific issues associated with analyzing the RTD team’s recommendation for a Locally Preferred Alternative for the Gold Line.

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The following communication assistance is available for all Regional Transportation Public Meetings:

- Language interpreters
- Sign-language interpreters
- Assisted listening devices
- Alternative formats, such as large print or
- Reasonable accommodation for special needs

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Contact Megan Lane, 303-825-6100, 72 hours prior to the meeting to discuss your special needs and request for accommodation.

### **About Gold Line Corridor EIS**

The Gold Line is an 11.2-mile rapid transit corridor extending from Denver Union Station in downtown Denver to the vicinity of Ward Road in Wheat Ridge. In the 2004 FasTracks election, voters approved a budget of \$463.5 million for the Gold Line, serving Denver, Arvada, Wheat Ridge and unincorporated Adams County. The two-and-a-half year Environmental Impact Statement will analyze transit alternatives in this corridor and will include extensive public involvement.

### **About FasTracks**

FasTracks is RTD's voter-approved \$4.7 billion, 12-year program to expand rail and bus service throughout the RTD service area. Scheduled for completion in 2017, FasTracks will create six new commuter rail and light rail corridors, extend three existing corridors, add 21,000 new parking spaces, and expand bus service across the entire District.