



RTD FASTRACKS GOLD LINE EIS MEETING REPORT

Pecos/Federal Station Access and Design Issue Focused Team

Date of meeting: October 21, 2008
Location: Quigg Newton Senior Center
4430 Navajo St., Denver

The purpose of this Issued Focused Team was to gather input on access and design for the Pecos and Federal stations. The agenda included the following items for both stations:

- **Station Access & Design Issue Focused Team Process:** Overview of goals and process for teams
- **Existing Conditions and Future Plans:** Present the current design influences surrounding each station, as well as future plans for the area
- **Site Layout:** Discussion of station site plan including landscaping
- **Access Diagram:** Discussion of access routes into and out of station
- **Design Concepts:** Overview the individual elements of a transit station; overview the template methodology and design concepts; gather feedback on station design
- **Conclusion:** Wrap-up, next steps

The project team engaged participants in dialogue throughout the meeting. Below is a summary of the feedback gathered at the meeting.

Key Meeting Takeaways

- Participants were supportive of the “Industrial Loft” design template for the Pecos Station.
- Many participants questioned the appropriateness of the “Industrial Loft” design template recommendation for Federal. The group recommended letting Adams County determine the design template that would best fit with their envisioned redevelopment in this area. Follow-up conversations with Adams County resulted in changing the recommendation for the Federal Station to the “Town Center” design template.

Access-Related Input: Federal

- The group felt the proposed design provides good access to the station.



- It was recommended that the pedestrian bridge to the station platform be covered to protect patrons from inclement weather.
- Some in the group expressed a desire to see Adams County accelerate some of its sidewalk and roadway improvements in the area so that they could be made before the Gold Line opens

Design-Related Input: Federal

- The majority of meeting participants felt that the Industrial Loft design was too “modern” or “sleek” for an area surrounded by a creek and recreational trail.
- When asked to provide adjectives that describe what they see as the key design influences in the area, the group identified the following:
 - Rural
 - Creek
 - Nature
 - Flow
 - Smooth
 - Water
 - Soft
 - Sand/dirt/stone
- There was a desire to make sure that RTD considers renewable, lower-maintenance material options for the station.
- The group identified close collaboration with Adams County as the most important factor in recommending a design template for this station.

Access-Related Input: Pecos

- The group felt the proposed station layout works very well with Adams County’s plans for the grade separation of Pecos.
- The group recommended providing improved pedestrian access from the south side of the railroad ROW as there are businesses in that area.
- The location of parking was supported and was identified as a good use of a landfill.

Design-Related Input: Pecos

- The group supported the project team’s recommendation of the “Industrial Loft” design template for the Pecos Station.



- They indicated that the design works well with what exists today and what is likely to be there in the future.
- The group stated that there is extensive brick in the area, so the use of that material should be maximized at this station.
- The group was concerned about graffiti and vandalism and supported RTD's plans to use materials and/or design approaches that deter graffiti.