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Nearly 4,000 Visit RTD's New Commuter Rail Vehicle Model at Denver Union Station

DISPLAY OF FASTRACKS VEHICLE MOCK-UP REMAINS OPEN UNTIL JUNE 18

Denver, June 8, 2011 – In the two weeks since it opened, nearly 4,000 visitors have toured a full-scale mock-up of the new commuter rail vehicle that the Regional Transportation District (RTD) will use on FasTracks lines now getting under construction to Denver International Airport (DIA), Arvada-Wheat Ridge and Westminster.

Among the visitors have been elected officials and key staff members from the cities and counties through with the East Rail Line, Gold Line and Northwest Rail first segment will be built and opened in 2016. They include Mayor Bill Vidal of Denver and Mayor Bob Frie of Arvada.

The display is open every day except Sundays through Saturday, June 18. The hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. Located on the plaza on Wynkoop Street directly in front of the station, at the foot of 17th Street, the display is free to the public. Comments from visitors are being given to the design team for Denver Transit Partners, the contractor on the project.

“The new RTD commuter rail vehicles are a key element to the continued growth of our nationally recognized multi-modal transportation system,” Mayor Vidal said after his visit.

The interior replica of the front one-third of the new vehicle allows visitors to try the actual seats, feel the handrails and grips, see the lighting and check the luggage racks. Stakeholders including representatives of the disabled community, bicycle organizations and other interest groups have visited the model. Individual members of the RTD Board of Directors are also hosting special tours aimed at residents of their districts.

“We ask everyone to stop by Denver Union Station, check out our new commuter rail car and see the progress of the RTD FasTracks program,” said RTD Board Chair Lee Kemp.

Visit the [FasTracks Eagle P3 Project website](#) to see the schedule for Director Day tours.

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