

**RTD FasTracks – Northwest Rail Corridor  
Environmental Evaluation**



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**Northwest Rail Corridor Project Moving Ahead**

The Regional Transportation District (RTD) FasTracks program is initiating the Northwest Rail Environmental Evaluation. The following public meetings are being held to provide information about the project and to solicit input from the public.

**Monday, July 9, 2007**

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**BOULDER**

Spice of Life Events Center  
5706 Arapahoe Avenue

**Wednesday, July 11, 2007**

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**WESTMINSTER**

City Park Recreation Center  
10455 Sheridan Boulevard

**Thursday, July 12, 2007**

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**LONGMONT**

The Magellan Center  
1951 S. Fordham Street

**Agenda for All Meetings**

6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Welcome & Registration

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Presentation & Discussion

**Project Web site: [www.rtdnorthwestrail.com](http://www.rtdnorthwestrail.com)**

*Public involvement is important to the success of the Northwest Rail project. Please help us share meeting and project information with the public.*

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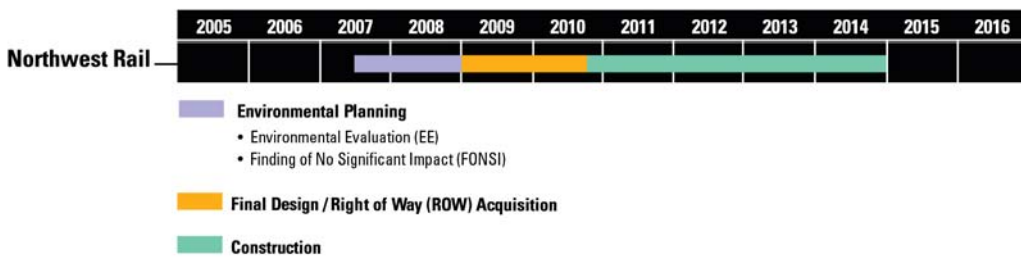
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## About the Northwest Rail Corridor

The Northwest Rail project is a proposed 41-mile high-capacity fixed-guideway transit corridor between Denver Union Station (DUS) and Longmont, passing through North Denver, Adams County, Westminster, Broomfield, Louisville, and Boulder. The Northwest Rail Environmental Evaluation (EE) combines the environmental analysis and design work conducted previously in the rail component of the US 36 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and the Longmont Diagonal Rail Environmental Evaluation.

The Northwest Rail Environmental Evaluation will result in an environmental assessment document that will disclose the impacts of implementing commuter rail in the corridor and recommend mitigation measures needed if adverse impacts cannot be avoided. The evaluation must satisfy all National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements.

The project is scheduled to last approximately 18 months. After the initial public meetings in July 2007, the project team will work with local jurisdictions and the public to advance the project's design, including passenger stations along the corridor. A draft environmental document is scheduled to be released to the public in the spring of 2008. The final determination of the environmental document, known as a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is expected at the end of 2008.



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