

2015 Fact Sheet







NORTHWEST RAIL LINE AT A GLANCE

- The Northwest Rail Line is part of RTD's 2004 voter-approved FasTracks plan to expand transit across the Denver metro region.
- The proposed 41-mile commuter rail corridor would operate between Denver's Union Station and Longmont, serving north Denver, Adams County, Westminster, Broomfield, Louisville, Boulder and Boulder County.
- The line's seven proposed stations are: Westminster (under construction), Church Ranch, Flatiron, Louisville, Boulder Transit Village, Gunbarrel and downtown Longmont.
- It is part of the larger Eagle P3 project that is also building the East Rail (A) Line and the Gold (G) Line.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- 2010: RTD FasTracks Environmental Evaluation was completed, identifying the benefits and effects of implementing transit on BNSF Railway right-of-way.
- 2012: Construction of the first 6.2-mile electrified segment between Union and Westminster stations began. The remainder of the line will use diesel-powered commuter cars.
- 2013-2014: RTD FasTracks and its contractor completed the 15-month-long Northwest Area Mobility Study to determine the best mobility options for northwest communities including the feasibility of building the Northwest Rail in phases and providing arterial bus rapid transit.
- 2015-2016: RTD FasTracks earmarked \$17 million to build the first phase of the end-of-line station in Longmont under a construction-ready plan; RTD will use the station for bus transfers then upgrade to a rail/bus facility after it completes the Northwest Rail.
- 2016: Line opens to public as the B Line.
- Future: RTD FasTracks will begin construction on the line between Westminster and Longmont when funding becomes available.

NORTHWEST RAIL LINE FAST FACTS

Length: 41 miles

Vehicle: Diesel commuter rail (Westminster segment: electric)

• Stations: 7

Parking: 4,393 new spaces

Service Frequency: 30 min (peak) / 60 min (off-peak)



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