RID FasTracks I-225 Rail Line R Line through Aurora

2017 Fact Sheet







I-225 RAIL LINE AT A GLANCE

- The R Line is part of RTD's 2004 voter-approved FasTracks plan to expand transit across the Denver metro region.
- The newly constructed 10.5-mile light rail line through Aurora will provide regional connections to the East and Southeast rail lines.
- The line will feature eight stations: Peoria, Fitzsimons, Colfax,13th Avenue, 2nd Ave•Abilene, Aurora Metro Center, Florida and Iliff.
- From the existing Nine Mile Station to Peoria Station, the line will give passengers access to the Aurora Metro Center, the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, the Fitzsimons Life Science District and Denver International Airport via a transfer to the University of Colorado A Line.

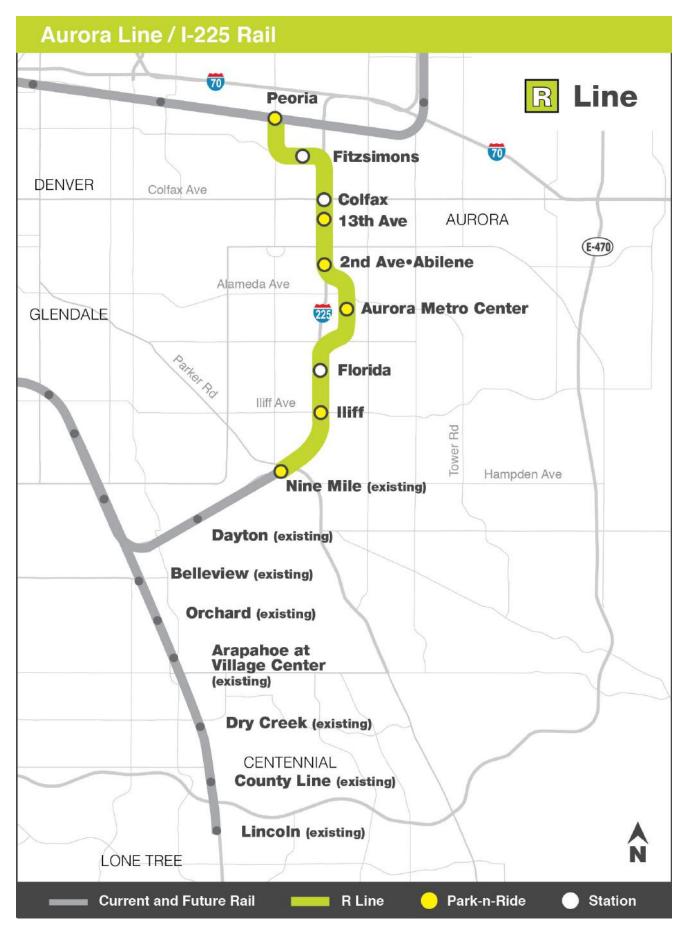
PROJECT OVERVIEW

- **2009**: RTD completed the environmental planning process and its Board of Directors adopted the Environmental Evaluation.
- **2009-2012**: RTD committed \$90 million to build the first segment from Nine Mile Station to Iliff Station.
- **2012**: RTD and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) kicked off a project to widen the highway between Mississippi Avenue and Parker Road and construct elements of the I-225 Rail Line between the Nine Mile and Iliff stations.
- **2013**: Construction on the full line began.
- **2014**: CDOT completed the widening of I-225 from Parker Road to Mississippi Avenue, creating three lanes in each direction with an additional auxiliary lane.
- **2015**: The I-225 FasTracks team completed construction of all light rail bridges, including the Florida Station pedestrian bridge and the arch at the Colfax Station, integration of the Overhead Contact System (OCS) wires at Nine Mile Station, and reconstruction of the Alameda Avenue/Sable Boulevard intersection.
- **2016**: The I-225 FasTracks team completed construction of the 10.5-mile line from Nine Mile Station to Peoria Station, including light rail stations, track and utilities, and began systems integration testing and pre-revenue testing on the line.
- 2017: The line opens to the public as the R Line.

I-225 RAIL LINE FAST FACTS

- Length: 10.5 miles
- Vehicle: Light rail
- Stations: 8
- Parking: 1,800 new spaces
- Service Frequency: 10 min (peak) / 15 min (off-peak)

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