Glossary of Project Terms:

**Assets:** RTD resources, including facilities, vehicles, rail, track, signals, bridges, stations, etc.

**At-grade crossing:** an intersection where a railway line crosses a road

**Ballast:** the rocks beneath the rail

**Curved rail:** track that is designed to allow trains to maneuver through a curve

**Downtown Loop:** RTD’s light rail lines in the Central Corridor line serving the D, H and L lines through downtown Denver between Colfax at Auraria and 30th•Downing stations

**Full-depth reconstruction:** removal and replacement of current rail infrastructure including concrete, rail, ties and ballast

**Open-ballasted track:** track where you can see the ballast and ties and can easily access them to conduct maintenance

**Paved track:** uses cast-in-place concrete and required where rail track will be shared with other street traffic, including vehicles and pedestrians

**Rail switch:** a mechanical switch that enables trains to be guided from one track to another

**State of Good Repair:** Managing and maintaining assets to ensure the long-term integrity essential for delivering safe and reliable transit service

**Street-running rail:** Rail that runs alongside vehicular traffic and shares at-grade crossings with vehicles

**Track panels:** track that is embedded in the roadway