

Downtown Rail Reconstruction Project

Weekly Update



86-Day Schedule
14 Days to Go



Friday, November 14, 2025

Overview:

This week, crews completed **concrete work** on the **west side** of Kalamath Street, including **track paving** and **gutters**. They also fully reconstructed the **pedestrian crossings** at **Colfax at Auraria Station** and on the west side of Kalamath. Work remains **on schedule**.



Safety Moment:

If you need to use a fire extinguisher, remember the P.A.S.S. method: Pull, Aim, Squeeze and Sweep. Pull the pin while holding the extinguisher away from your body. Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire, not the flames or smoke. Squeeze the lever slowly while aimed. Sweep the extinguisher from side to side at the base until the fire is out.



Project Lookahead

This weekend, crews will continue pouring **concrete track paving** and **curb and gutter** east of Kalamath Street. Traffic control on Kalamath Street will continue to shift to accommodate concrete trucks, but at least **two lanes** will remain **open at all times**. Next week, crews will install **train wayside control loops** and **pavement markings**.



Week in Review



1 | Concrete Track Paving

Kalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 10, 10:10 AM



2 | Resetting Inlet Grates

Kalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 12, 7:15 AM

Crews placed over 900 square yards of colored **concrete track paving** this week. They also completed over 600 linear feet of **concrete gutters**, complete with inlet grates. Crews also completed the reconstruction of the **pedestrian crossings** at **Colfax at Auraria Station** and along the west side of **Kalamath Street**.

Amplifying Results

High blocks are taking shape at **20th•Welton Station**. Crews have completed assembly of the **steel structure** for the southbound high block and are now constructing the structure for the northbound side. They have successfully completed the **canopy pipe column repairs** and removed shoring. Next steps will include pouring the **concrete entry ramps** and installing **deck panels** on both structures.





Safety Observations



November 12, 2025 / 4:23PM

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Installing Tactile Warning Strips

Kalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 12, 4:23 PM



Quality Observations



November 12, 2025 / 10:35AM

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Concrete Testing

Kalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 12, 10:35 AM

Crews have installed over 300 square feet of **tactile warning strips** at two **pedestrian crossings** this week. These yellow, **textured panels** are set into the wet concrete at the crossings and are locked in place once the concrete fully cures. These panels help pedestrians with **visual impairments** safely navigate the crossing.

During **concrete placement**, quality inspectors performed **slump** and **air content tests** to ensure proper **consistency**, **workability**, and **freeze-thaw resistance**. Crews also collected samples for **compressive strength testing**, which confirms the concrete's **durability** and **strength** as it cures.

Did You Know...

Tactile warning strips, sometimes called “truncated domes” or “tactile paving,” are the **textured domes** you can find at crosswalks or train platforms. The distinctive surface pattern is **standardized** and **recognizable** both underfoot and by long canes used by people with visual impairments. The **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)** mandates the use of these detectable warnings to ensure all pedestrians are able to **navigate hazards** like **busy streets** or **train platforms**.



November 13, 2025 / 7:53AM

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Kalamath Street Crossing 86-Day Schedule

Full-Depth Rail Reconstruction



~~Week 1~~

~~Week 2~~

~~Week 3~~

~~Week 4~~

~~Week 5~~

~~Week 6~~

~~Week 7~~

~~Week 8~~

~~Week 9~~

~~Week 10~~

Week 11

Week 12

Week 13

**Project Completion
Nov. 27**



94%

Total Progress

100%



Track Replacement*
1300/1300 Track Feet

100%



Special Trackwork
1100/1100 Track Feet

100%



Vehicle Crossing
1/1 Upgraded

100%



Pedestrian Crossing
2/2 Upgraded



Amplifying Results

- ☒ Concrete Repairs
- ☒ Tactile Warning Strips
- ☐ Pavement Markings
- ☐ Curb and Gutter Repair
- ☐ Station Improvements

**Percentage of track replacement includes special trackwork and crossings*