

Friday, November 21, 2025

Overview:

This week, crews completed **concrete work** on the **east side** of Kalamath Street, including **track paving**, **curbs**, and **gutters**. They also completed installation of **train to wayside communications (TWC) loops** and **pavement markings**. Site cleanup is underway as crews prepare for **train testing** on Sunday, Nov. 23. Work remains **on schedule**.





Safety Moment:

Only cross train tracks at designated crossings, and never walk or bike along the tracks. Trains can travel on any track, at any time, in any direction, so always look both ways before crossing. Remove your headphones when you are near the tracks to improve your situational awareness.



This weekend, crews will put the finishing touches on the work and complete **site clean-up**. RTD will run a **test train** on the reconstructed tracks on **Sunday**, **Nov. 23** starting at 7 a.m. Test trains will also run on the **Downtown Loop** and the **L Line corridor**. Train testing may continue into next week. Traffic control around the work area will be fully removed by Monday morning. RTD's **special holiday light rail service** will begin operating on **Friday**, **Nov. 28**.

Week in Review



1 | Curb and Gutter Kalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 17, 10:42 AM

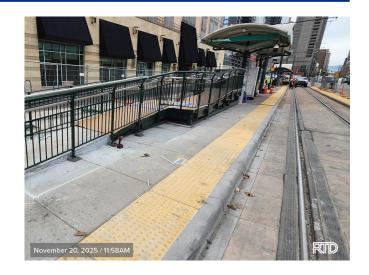


2 | Sawcutting for TWC Loop Kalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 19, 9:43 AM

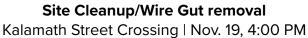
Since last week, crews completed over 300 linear feet of **concrete curb and gutter** and more than 300 square yards of **colored concrete track paving**. Crews also sawcut the concrete to install four **train to wayside communication (TWC) loops**. RTD Facilities Maintenance crews power-washed the station area and cleaned out the **gutters** and **drain pipes** of the station canopies. RTD track maintainers painted new door and bike **boarding symbols** on each platform.

Amplifying Results

Work on the **20th-Welton Station** high block replacement is wrapping up and traffic control has been removed from the work area. Crews have completed the **concrete entry ramps** and completed installation of **deck panels** on both high blocks. Crews are completing final **weld testing** on both structures and will install **skirting** over the weekend.









Repairing Irrigation LinesKalamath Street Crossing | Nov. 19, 10:09 AM

With heavy construction activities wrapping up, RTD's Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) team removed the wire gut from the overhead catenary wires above Kalamath Street. These protective coverings for the overhead wires are removed prior to reenergizing the downtown light rail system. Crews also removed wire gut at 20th-Welton Station.

This week, crews completed **restoration** of the landscape areas adjacent to the tracks. They repaired **irrigation lines** next to the paved tracks, spread fresh **topsoil**, and **power washed** the reconstructed tracks. Crews will return in the spring to plant grass north of the tracks between Kalamath Street and Speer Boulevard.

Did You Know...

While paint-based **pavement markings** are often used for **lane striping**, some pavement markings are made from a material called **thermoplastic**. This material is made from a mixture of plasticizer and resins that **liquify** when heated, but quickly cool and harden on the pavement. Thermoplastic is typically more **durable** than paint, more **resistant to fading** from sunlight, and provides **reflectivity** from embedded **glass beads**, making it easier for drivers to see.





Kalamath Street Crossing 86-Day Schedule

Full-Depth Rail Reconstruction





Week 1

Week 2

Week 3

Week 4

Week 5

Week 6

Wook 7

Week 8

Week 9

Week 10

Week 44

Week 12

Week 13

99%
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



Station Improvements

Curb and Gutter Repair

Project Completion Nov. 27

*Percentage of track replacement includes special trackwork and crossings