



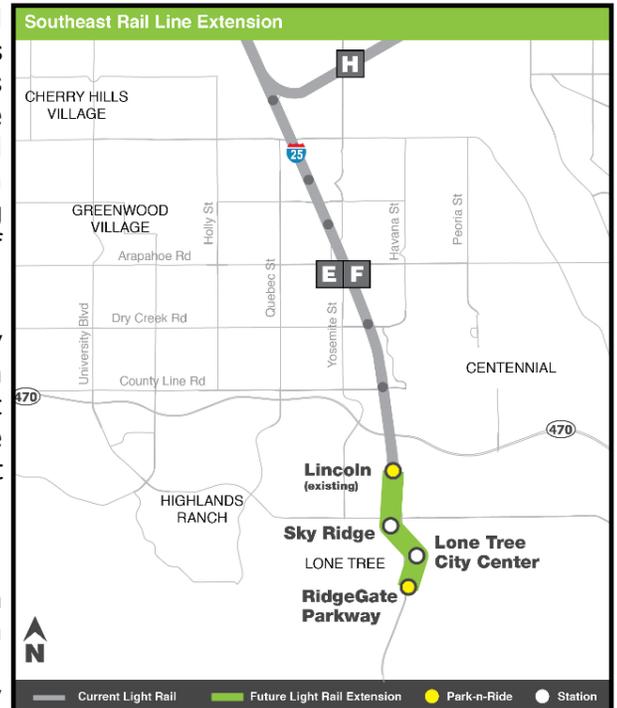
Southeast Rail Extension (SERE)

The Southeast Rail Extension is part of the Regional Transportation District's (RTD) 2004 voter-approved FasTracks plan to expand transit across the Denver metro region. This extension will add an additional 2.3 miles of light rail to the existing Southeast Rail Line south of Lincoln Avenue which will start at the end of the existing Lincoln Station and continue on the west side of I-25 crossing over the interstate, continuing service on the east side of the highway to the south side of RidgeGate Parkway.

This extension encompasses three new stations—one at Sky Ridge Avenue near Sky Ridge Medical Center; another station at the future Lone Tree City Center that will be constructed, but won't open until development in the area necessitates; and the end-of-line station with a 1,300-space parking facility at RidgeGate Parkway.

Timeline

In July 2014, the RTD Board of Directors passed a resolution giving approval to move forward with the SERE and opened a path for the district to receive federal funding for the extension. In the summer of 2015, RTD selected Balfour Beatty Infrastructure to design and build this extension. Design work will continue through the fall of 2016, with construction scheduled to start in the spring of 2016. The project is scheduled to be complete in 2019.



Local Contribution

Local funding contributions include \$7.3 million each from the City of Lone Tree, Douglas County and Coventry Development (RidgeGate), plus a significant donation of land for right-of-way. Additionally, the Southeast Public Improvement District (SPIMD) has committed \$3 million to the project.

Benefits of the SERE to the region

- Brings rail further into Douglas County, making commutes shorter and more convenient.
- Increases Property Values: Could add an estimated \$700 million to assessed valuation of the area that will benefit Douglas County, the Douglas County School District, South Metro Fire, Douglas County Libraries and other local municipalities.
- The extension is predicted to generate an estimated 10 million ft² of new commercial real estate, an additional 4,000 residences in the southeast corridor, and 20,000 new jobs in the southeast Denver metropolitan region in the next 25 years.
- A Magnet for Regional Ridership: The extension will carry 11,500 riders each day by 2035, or 3.4 million riders per year.
 - High ridership reflects regional demand.
 - Removes cars from I-25 and reduces congestion.
 - Reduces wear and tear on Lincoln and RidgeGate interchanges and extends their usable lives.
 - Better distributes the current heavy use of County Line, Lincoln, and Nine Mile Stations.
- When the extension is complete, riders will be able to travel from the RidgeGate station directly to Denver International Airport by train, connecting residents to their destination of choice anywhere around the world.

Contact

For more information about this project, please visit <http://www.rtd-denver.com/e-f-line-extension.shtml>.