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NEWS RELEASE

Amtrak relocation from Denver Union Station to temporary station POSTPONED

Move to temporary location delayed due to sub-zero weather conditions

DENVER – The Amtrak move from Denver Union Station to temporary station at 1800 21st St., has been postponed until Friday, February 4, 2011. Predicted sub-zero temperatures and other severe weather conditions will delay the necessary track changes.

Amtrak operates two trains daily through Denver – the westbound *California Zephyr* departing at 8:05 a.m. and the eastbound *California Zephyr* departing at 7:10 p.m. The *California Zephyr* runs between Chicago and Emeryville.

Amtrak passengers who use Amtrak Thruway Motorcoaches at Denver to connect with the Amtrak *Southwest Chief* at Raton, N.M. will continue using Denver Union Station until the temporary station opens on Friday, February 4.

Last year, 128,410 Amtrak passengers used the Denver station. For more information, Amtrak customers locally can call 303-825-2583 or the toll-free Amtrak contact centers at 800-USA-RAIL.

About the Denver Union Station Project Authority

The Denver Union Station Project Authority is responsible for the financing, acquiring, owning, designing, constructing, renovating, operating and maintaining the Denver Union Station redevelopment project. The Authority is a partnership of RTD, the City and County of Denver, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) and the Denver Union Station Metropolitan District. For more information on the Denver Union Station redevelopment project, call 303-592-5465, or visit denverunionstation.org.

About RTD FasTracks

FasTracks is RTD's voter-approved transit program to expand rail and bus service throughout the RTD service area. FasTracks will build 122 miles of commuter rail and light rail, 18 miles of bus rapid transit service, add 21,000 new parking spaces, redevelop Denver Union Station and redirect bus service to better connect the eight-county District. The FasTracks investment initiative is projected to create more than 10,000 construction-related jobs during the height of construction, and will pump billions of dollars into the regional economy. For more information about RTD, call 303-299-6000, or visit rtd-denver.com.

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