RTD discontinues bus shuttle service for R Line beginning Oct. 30

Light rail will continue to operate from Lincoln to Florida, and 13th Avenue to Peoria stations

DENVER (Oct. 24, 2022) — The Regional Transportation District (RTD) will discontinue bus shuttle service for the R Line in Aurora beginning Sunday, Oct. 30, due to a lack of people power. Beginning Sunday, bus shuttles will no longer support the light rail line between the Florida and 13th Avenue stations.

R Line service will continue to operate between the Lincoln and Florida, and 13th Avenue and Peoria stations. The line remains suspended between the Florida and 13th Avenue stations, and no R Line or bus shuttle service will be available at the Aurora Metro Center or 2nd Avenue • Abilene stations.

On Sept. 21, 2022, an RTD light rail train derailed along a segment of the R Line alignment near the Aurora Metro Center Station. The investigation of this incident is still underway, and RTD is exploring long-term solutions for repairs to the alignment. No date for a return to regular service on the R Line has been determined at this time.

Since the derailment, RTD has been providing bus shuttles between affected stations to support R Line service. Providing such long-term support is challenging for RTD and has created the need to periodically cancel regularly scheduled bus service on other routes. As a result, RTD will no longer provide bus shuttles between the affected R Line stations.

RTD will continue to update customers and the public as new information becomes available. Customers are encouraged to use RTD’s Trip Planner to plan ahead and view commute options, and also explore the Next Ride web app to see train and bus locations in real time.

For the latest details about service, sign up for Service Alerts. For additional route and schedule information, call RTD’s Customer Care division at 303.299.6000. Agents are available 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. on weekdays, and 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Saturdays and holidays.

RTD recognizes the inconvenience of this development and appreciates customers’ patience and understanding. The agency is working to expedite repairs to the R Line and take steps to address the ongoing people power issues that have affected RTD and the transit industry nationwide.

ABOUT RTD
The Regional Transportation District develops, operates and maintains a public transportation system that meets the transit needs of close to 3 million people within an eight-county service area in the Denver Metro region. For more information, visit rtd-denver.com, call 303-299-6000 and follow along on social media: www.facebook.com/RideRTD, @RideRTD on Twitter, @ridertd on Instagram and rideRTDco on YouTube. For the most current RTD news, visit the News Stop, at rtd-denver.com/news-stop.

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