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### **Colorado Department of Transportation Announces Open House for the Rail Relocation for Colorado's Communities Study**

Denver CO—The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) today announced it will hold an additional open house in its first series of public meetings for the R2C2 (Rail Relocation for Colorado's Communities) study. In conjunction with the BNSF Railway, the Union Pacific Railroad and the Regional Transportation District (RTD), CDOT is examining a public/private partnership to move through-freight rail traffic away from the Front Range corridor to the Eastern Plains of Colorado.

As part of the study's public involvement component, R2C2 will host an open house on Tuesday, June 17, 2008, at the Las Animas Elementary School, 530 Poplar in Las Animas, Colorado. This meeting will allow the public an opportunity to comment on the various proposals being evaluated and to develop an understanding of the benefits, costs and issues associated with implementing the proposed project. This open house, to be held from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., will feature a PowerPoint Presentation at 4:30 p.m. that will be repeated at 6:00 p.m.

Other open houses offered in this first series were previously held in Brush, Pueblo, Limon and Castle Rock. A second series of open houses is expected to be held in the mid-September timeframe.

For more information, contact CDOT's Tammy Lang at (303)757-9811 or the Consultant Team's Project Manager, Parsons Brinckerhoff's Randy Grauberger at (303)390-5927 or visit [www.dot.state.co.us/railroadstudy/default.asp](http://www.dot.state.co.us/railroadstudy/default.asp).

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