



## Westerly Creek and Toll Gate Creek Connections to Florida Station

# Aurora's First Protected Bike Lanes Being Constructed

In recognition of the need for safe travel for all types of transportation modes, the city of Aurora is implementing a project to provide improved connections between regional trails and the Florida Station. The plans were developed with input from community members, and construction is now underway. This project is focused on improvements along Jewell Avenue, Potomac Street, Florida Avenue and Mexico Avenue to allow safe ways for bicyclists and pedestrians to get from the Westerly Creek Trail and Toll Gate Creek Trail to the R Line. The project passes three schools, medical facilities, businesses and residences, and will facilitate safer travel in this area of the city.

Improvements include:

- ◆ 10-foot-wide, barrier separated bi-directional bicycle lanes
- ◆ Roadway surface reconfiguration for on-street bicycle lanes
- ◆ Pavement markings, signage, lighting and physical separation for bicycle facilities
- ◆ Intersection and mid-block crossing improvements
- ◆ A Florida Light Rail Station Kiss-n-Ride area
- ◆ Bicycle racks

## Construction Progress

Construction began in June 2019. Initial efforts were focused on utility work, pavement and traffic signal improvements. Installation of the physical barrier separation has occurred on Jewell Ave., Potomac St., Florida Ave., and is now beginning on Mexico Ave. Last steps will include final striping and signage installation. Substantial completion of all segments is expected by March 2020.

Visit the project web page  
for more design details and information:  
[www.auroragov.org/TrailConnector](http://www.auroragov.org/TrailConnector)

## Benefits to the Community

- ◆ Expands transportation options
- ◆ Improves area access to trail system for recreating and commuting
- ◆ Provides connections to the Florida Station from two regionally significant trails
- ◆ Creates safe spaces for bikes and pedestrians
- ◆ Provides traffic calming near schools and neighborhoods

