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With two canopy frame supports in the foreground, the Atlantic/Pomona station stretches to the east along 3rd Street. Photographs were taken October 22.



## Eastside Extension Construction Reaches New Heights as Canopy Rises

- Steel frames will be assembled through February

By NED RACINE

(Nov. 6, 2007) Construction of the six-mile-long Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension rose to new heights last month as the assembly of canopy frames began at the Atlantic/Pomona station. Installation of the frames will continue through February. Simultaneously, poles supporting the overhead power lines for the light rail trains will be added to the six new street-level stations.

Scheduled to open in late 2009, the \$899 million Eastside Extension features eight new stations (two underground) and will run between Union Station in downtown Los Angeles via the Little Tokyo/Arts District and

## Boyle Heights to Atlantic/Pomona boulevards in East Los Angeles.



Above, Eastside Extension tracks reach almost to Atlantic Boulevard as workers construct support poles for the overhead power system. The tracks are already installed in the railway.

- **Photos by Ned Racine**

At right, the rebar cage in the foreground will become a pillar supporting the completed station canopy. The partially constructed canopy frame can be seen in the background.

