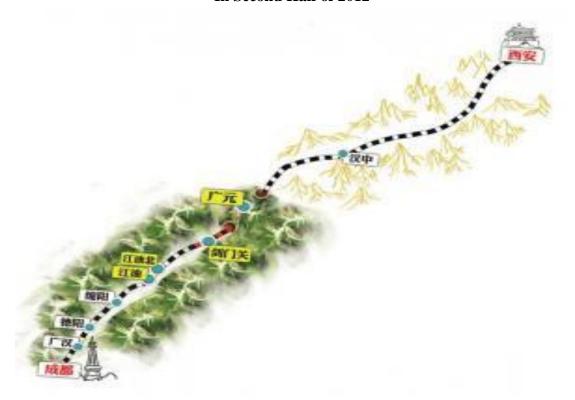
Xi'an to Chengdu Passenger Line to Commence Substantive Construction In Second Half of 2012



Recently, partial adjustment made on the Xi'an to Chengdu Passenger Line has been approved. The previously designed 6 stations of Shaanxi Section are North Xi'an, E-Pang Palace, East Hu County, Foping, West Yang County and Hanzhong. However, after this slight adjustment, one station has been cancelled with two more added named Xinchang Street and North Chenggu.

Shaanxi Government recently issued "the Opinion of Shaanxi Government's Implementing Central Government's Preemptive Fine-Tuning Decision to Ensure Stable and Rapid Economy Growth" in which clearly stated that Xi'an to Chengdu Passenger Line Project will commence substantive construction in second half of 2012. It's worth noting that the completion of this line will help cut travel time between the two major cities in western China to less than 3 hours from the current 13 hours.

Xi'an to Chengdu Passenger Line is a high-standard railway with high construction difficulties. It's also the first fast-track line to run through the Qinling Mountains.

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