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## Next Part of the Line from Pardubice to Hradec Králové Will Become Double-track

Správa železnic will start modernising another part of the busy line between the two most important centres of Eastern Bohemia next year. Therefore, it announced a tender for the contractor for the reconstruction of the line section from Pardubice-Rosice nad Labem to Stéblová. Its main benefit will be the construction of the second track, including the bridge over the Elbe in Pardubice. The line speed will increase at the same time. Completion of the construction is planned for the end of 2023, its estimated total investment costs are close to CZK 2.6 billion.

The planned action follows the already started reconstruction of the Pardubice main station. The 7.5 km long section will be modernised, including double-tracking. The original single-track bridge over the Elbe will be replaced by new one, with two tracks. At the Pardubice-Rosice nad Labem railway station, the track branches will be modified for the connection of double-track line sections. The configuration of the track will be also changed due to the creation of new platforms. The connection between the outer and island platform will be through a new pedestrian tunnel.

The Pardubice-Semtín stop will also undergo modernisation; it will gain two new outer platforms and a platform shelter. The main change will be the abolition of the current foot level crossing and its replacement by a pedestrian tunnel. A new stop will be created at the railway level crossing in Stéblová.