



COLORADO

Department of
Transportation

Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program (CRISI)

Transit and Rail Advisory Committee
May 11, 2018



CRISI Program Details

- USDOT Discretionary Grant Program
- Capital Project development and implementation to support infrastructure & safety improvements
- \$65.2 M available (\$17 M rural set-aside)
- 20% minimum non-Federal match required
- Applications due June 21, 2018



Eligible Recipients

1. State
2. Group of states
3. Interstate compact(s)
4. Public agency or publicly chartered authority
5. Political subdivision of a state (cities, counties)
6. Amtrak or other intercity passenger rail entity
7. Short Line freight railroads (Class II or III)
8. Class I railroads or rail equipment manufacturer in partnership with any entities 1 through 5 above
9. Transportation Research Board
10. University transportation center
11. Non-profit rail labor organization



Eligible Projects

- Planning, Environmental Clearance, Design or Construction for:
 - Railroad safety technology, including PTC
 - Capital intercity passenger rail projects
 - Rail congestion projects
 - Highway-rail grade crossing improvements
 - Rail line relocations or consolidations
 - Short line railroad infrastructure improvements
 - Regional/Corridor service development plans
 - Multimodal rail projects
 - Rail safety programs

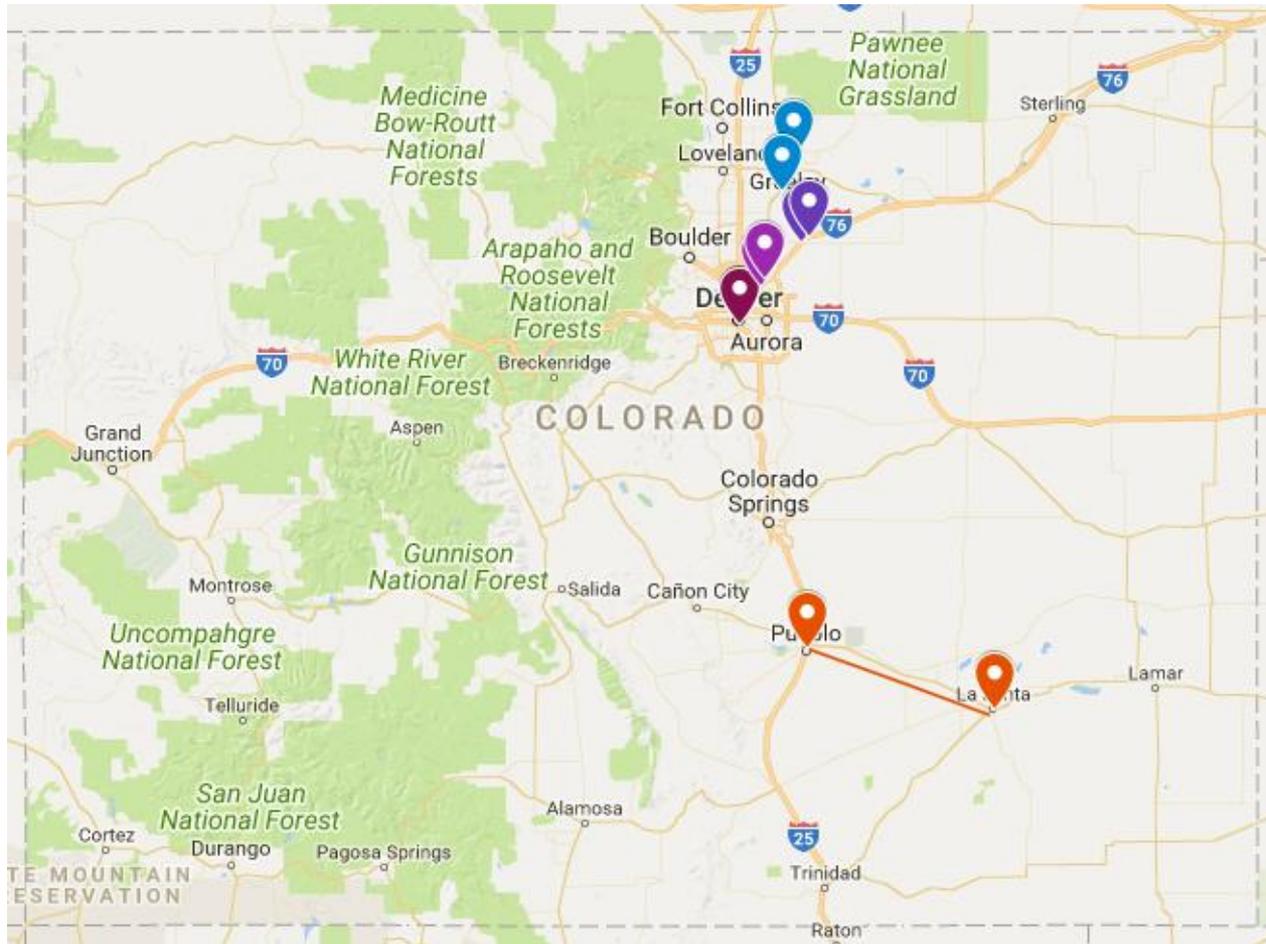


Evaluation Criteria

- Eligibility and completeness review
- Applicant's past performance
- Benefit-Cost Analysis (+)
- Technical Merit
- Min. 20% match, preference to 50% or more
- Support economic vitality regionally or nationally
- Leverage other non-Federal funds
- Innovative approach to improve safety & expedite project delivery
- Performance accountability/measureable outcomes

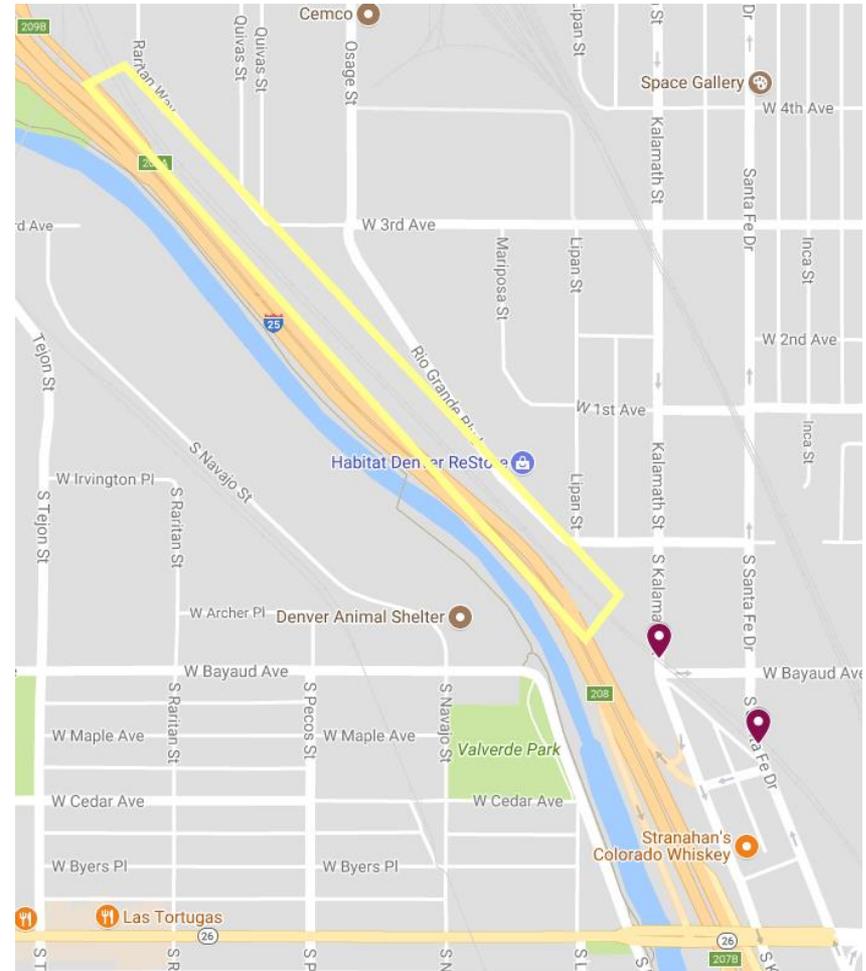


Candidate CRISI Projects



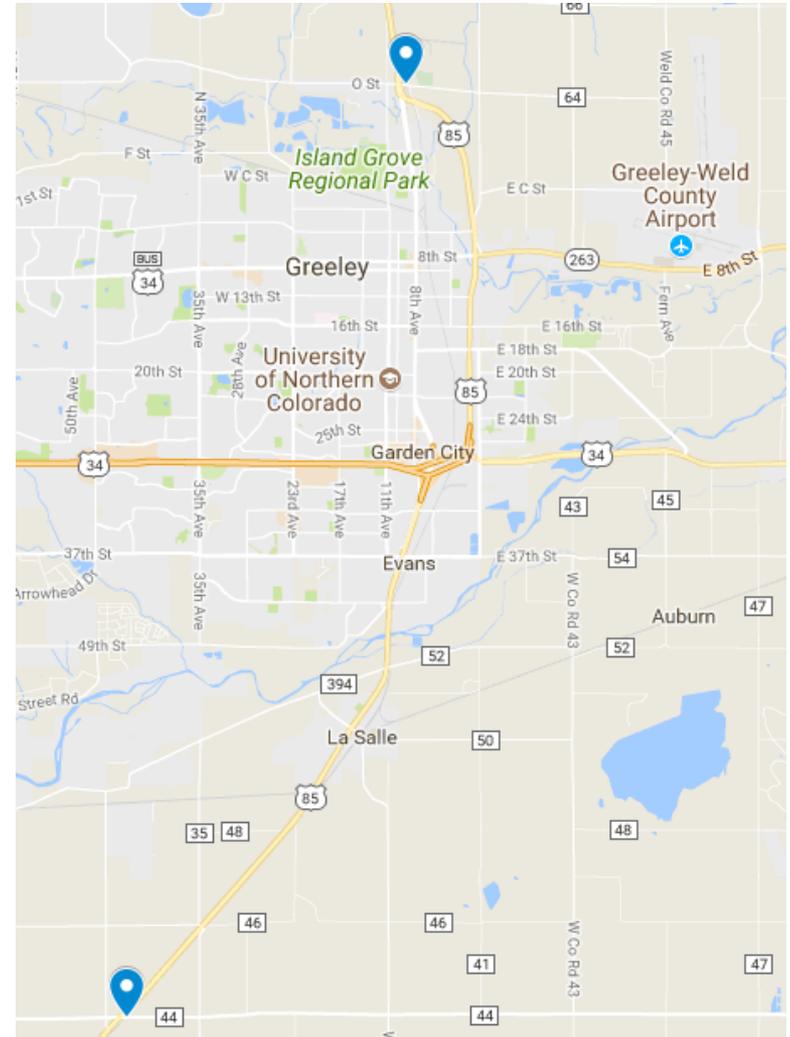
PE/NEPA for Joint Line at Santa Fe / Kalamath

- Evaluate design options to grade separate or eliminate 2 crossings north of Alameda
- Addresses I-25 PEL
 - BNSF proximity to I-25 currently restricts expansion
- Benefits:
 - Improved safety
 - Reduced congestion
 - Improved Traffic Flow
- Costs (estimated):
 - Planning study \$1 - 1.5M
 - Grade separations \$50M
 - Matching funds from Region 1



US85 / UPRR Crossing Improvements – Weld County

- Addresses UP & CDOT's easement agreement
- O Street or Peckham Road (WC 44) Crossing Closure
- Benefits:
 - Improved safety
 - Operational efficiency of railroad
 - State highway signal improvements
 - US 85 alignment unchanged
- Costs (estimated):
 - Construction \$49M (corridor)
 - Match
 - Region 4 Hwy funds
 - Weld County ROW





Next Steps

| DATE | ACTION | RESPONSIBLE PARTY |
|----------------|---|---------------------------|
| May 11 | TRAC reviews candidate list | TRAC |
| May 15-16 | Transportation Commission prioritizes candidate list | Transportation Commission |
| May 18 | STAC reviews candidate list | STAC |
| May 19-June 1 | Prepare grant applications and/or support letters | CDOT & Grant applicants |
| June 2 | Draft grant applications due to CDOT for review | Grant applicants |
| June 19 | Submit complete grant application to Grants.gov website | CDOT & Grant applicants |
| June 21 | CRISI Grant Application Due Date | USDOT & Grant applicants |
| September 2018 | Awards Announced | USDOT |



Questions?

THANK YOU!