

Colorado Department of Transportation

- Presentation to the Joint Budget Committee -

January 3, 2013



Department Overview



Transportation Commission

Composition

- 11 members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate
- Serve four-year terms
- Meets monthly
- Commission established in 1909 as a three-member State Highway Commission



Colorado Transportation Commission

Responsible for:

- Setting overall fiscal and policy direction statewide via investment categories
- Short term and long-term priorities
- Budget & allocation of funds

Department Overview



Maintain and Keep Safe

- 9,000 miles of Interstate and State highway system
- routine maintenance
- bridge repair and resurfacing
- snow removal
- safety improvements



Engineering/Construction Program

- Supplement in-house engineering for design, construction management, and specialty services
- Contract for all construction projects in excess of \$150,000

Distribute Funding to Local Governments

- Aviation
- Federal funds to Metropolitan Planning Organizations
- Grants to local governments
- Transit

Department Overview



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External-facing

Improved Processes for Better Customer Service and Efficiency

- Process Improvement Program
- Contract Improvement Initiative

Get More Out of the Existing System

- I-25 North Express Toll Lanes

Innovation and Improved Management to Get More \$ to Construction

- RAMP
- Refinancing of TRANS bond debt (\$3.29 million in savings)

Transparency and Accountability

- Simplified public budget
- Bridge Enterprise website
- TOPS

Partner with Private Sector to Augment Public Funds

- U.S. 36 Express Lanes
- I-70 Mountain Corridor

Internal-facing

Provide CDOT Employees Training and Professional Development Opportunities

Budget and Funding



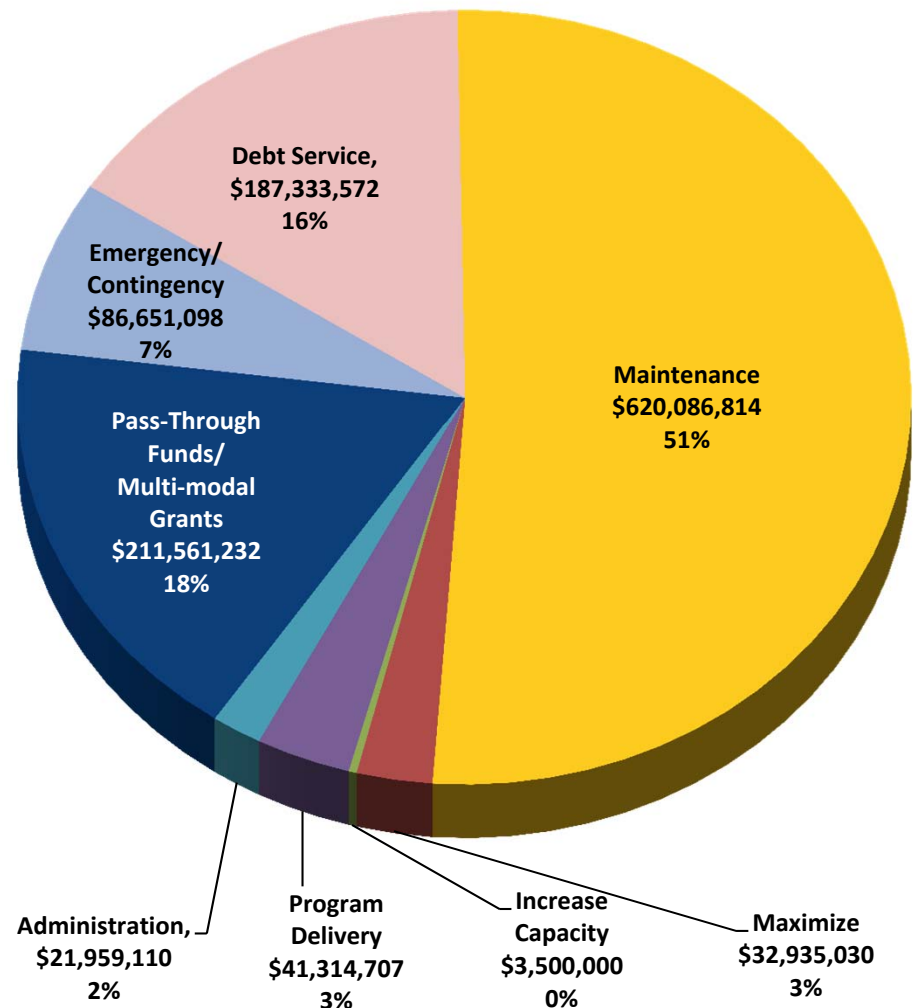
CDOT Budget (FY12-13)

Significant Focus on Maintenance

- Maintaining our state's infrastructure continues to be the predominant focus of the CDOT budget, accounting for over one-half of the entire budget.

Nearly No Revenue for New Capacity

- In FY 12-13, the CDOT budget contained only \$3.5 million for increasing the capacity of the state's transportation system, representing less than 1/3rd of 1% of the total budget.



Budget and Funding



Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships (“RAMP”)

Current CDOT Budget Practice

CDOT does not go to ad on a project until all money is “in the bank”

New CDOT Budget Practice

CDOT will fund multi-year projects based on year of expenditure, rather than saving up and then spending down. This will involve looking at all of CDOT’s projects as a whole, rather than as individual silos.

Acceleration of Funds (Not New Revenue)

Once underway, RAMP will allow CDOT to take advantage of existing dollars, accelerating up to \$300 million per year for 5 years for immediate projects.

Project Selection

The \$300 million/year over 5 years in RAMP funds (not new funds) will be accelerated to more immediate maintenance needs and partnerships

Project Updates



East Interstate-70

Partially Covered Lowered Alternative

- Comprehensive review of past decisions conducted in Fall of 2011 after outreach process failed to reveal consensus on where to align highway.
- This review revealed an alternative that would lower and partially cover I-70E in its current location.
- Partially covered/lowered alternative was shared with stakeholders and presented in two public meetings (attended by a total of 500 people) and received significant support.
- Staff is now revising the Draft Environmental Impact Statement to include the new lowered alternative.



Public Outreach and Input

- Meetings – Stakeholder 1 on 1's
- Web site – www.I-70east.com

Stage	Anticipated Date
Community Outreach/ Input	Ongoing
Release of Supplemental DEIS	Summer 2013
Release of Final EIS	Spring 2014
Record of Decision	Summer/Fall 2014
Begin Construction	As early as 2016*

*dependent on final design, construction package, and funding.

Project Updates



Interstate-70 Mountain Corridor

Winter Season Management

- Colorado Chain Law enforcement
- I-70 smartphone app
- Heavy tow and courtesy patrols



Twin Tunnels

- Widen EB bore and add 3rd lane from Idaho Springs to Floyd Hill
- Actively preparing detour route—EB I-70 Traffic will utilize detour starting April 1.
- Anticipate completion of detour and other prep work for tunnel widening by April 2013.
- Tunnel Construction starts April 2013, and will open to traffic by late 2013.



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Bridge Program

Since 2009...

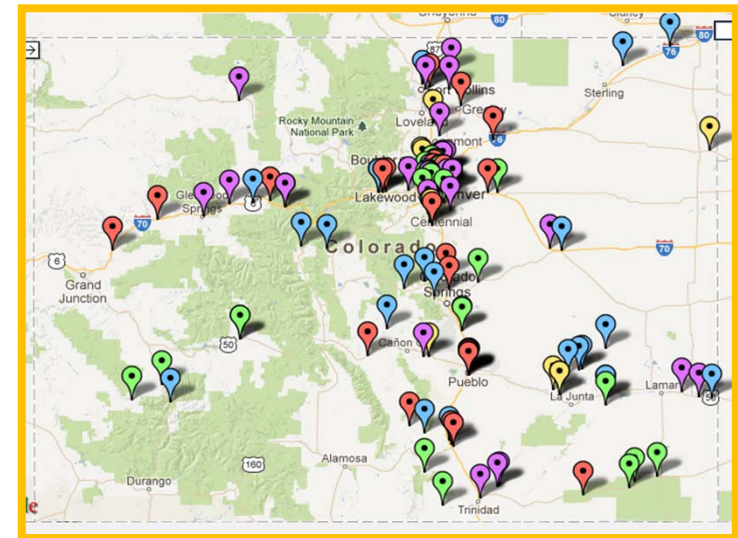
- 167 eligible bridges
- Of this amount, 72 bridges are complete; with 61 in construction, design complete, or in design; and the remainder awaiting action



I-25 over Santa Fe (US85)

Public Information

- CDOT provides a regularly updated webpage providing a list of current Bridge Enterprise bridges and their status and a map showing the location of those bridges throughout the state.
- Available at www.coloradodot.info/programs/BridgeEnterprise



Bridges are being improved statewide

Project Updates



Asset Protection

Waldo Canyon (U.S. 24)

- Mitigation efforts:
 - Reducing debris flow onto the highway
 - Clearing and replacing culverts
 - Ensuring stability of boulders, shoring up unstable slopes
 - Re-vegetation of right-of-way
 - Constructing sediment traps
- \$5.1 million provided by the Transp. Commission



High Park (S.H. 14)

- Mitigation efforts:
 - Equipment staged throughout burn area
 - Warning signs installed to warn motorists of potential debris flow
 - Precipitation gauges for real-time data collection installed .
 - Culvert replacements for better water runoff handling
- \$3.9 million provided by the Transp. Commission



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Division of Transit and Rail

Background/Purpose

- The Division of Transit and Rail was established in 2009 by the General Assembly.
- The Division is responsible for planning, development, operation, and integration of transit/rail into state planning and to assist local governments. C.R.S. 43-1-117.5

FASTER Grants for 2013

- Funded 70 Projects
 - From 41 agencies
- \$14 million
 - \$1 million for CDOT studies/admin.

FASTER Grants for 2014

- 84 applications
 - 37 agencies
- \$24.4 million in requests
- \$14 million will be awarded pending Transportation Commission approval
 - \$1 million for CDOT studies/admin.



Loveland's COLT service

Department Overview



High-Performance Transportation Enterprise

HPTE Background/Purpose

- The HPTE was established in 2009 by the General Assembly, replacing the Colorado Tolling Enterprise

U.S. 36 Express Lanes Project

- New bus rapid transit
- Addition of a managed lane
- BRT ramp stations
- New roadway surfacing
- Bikeway path



Questions?

