

Transportation Commission Resolution #BTE20250603

Acknowledgement of New Bridge Assets Funded by the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise and completed in Fiscal Year 2024-25, and Acceptance of Assets Transferred from CDOT to BTE.

Approved by the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise Board of Directors on June 18, 2025.

Whereas, in 2009, the Colorado General Assembly created the Colorado Bridge Enterprise (BE) in C.R.S. § 43-4-805 as a government-owned business within CDOT for the business purpose of financing, repairing, reconstructing, and replacing designated bridges, defined in C.R.S. § 43-4-80(10) as those bridges identified by CDOT as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete and rated by CDOT as poor; and

Whereas, in 2021, the Colorado General Assembly expanded Colorado Bridge Enterprise to include both designated bridge projects and surface transportation infrastructure projects for tunnels, and, in so doing, re-named the expanded enterprise as the Statewide Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise, C.R.S. § 43-4-80(2)(l); and

Whereas, in 2023, the Colorado General Assembly passed House Bill 23-1276, which was signed into law by the Governor on May 15, 2023, approving the expansion of the scope of the BTE authority to include preventative maintenance for bridges rated as fair and good and to include the repair, reconstruction, replacement, and maintenance of bridges rated as fair if they are bundled with a project to address a designated bridge; and

Whereas, pursuant to C.R.S. § 43-4-805(5)(f) authorized the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise Board of Directors to enter into agreements with the Transportation Commission, under which the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise agrees to finance, repair, reconstruct, replace, and, if any given agreement so specifies, maintain designated bridges as specified in the agreements; and

Whereas, under current accounting procedures, the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise no longer accepts transfers of existing bridges that are programmed for replacement in advance, and allocated BTE funding directly to the planned replacement structures with newly assigned Bridge IDs itemized below;

Region	New Structure	Facility Carried over Featured Intersection	Date New Structure Open to Traffic
1	E-17-GX	I-76 over York St	12/4/2023
2	H-13-J	US 285 over Middle Fork South Platte River	10/28/2024
2	N-17-ADA	I-25 SB over US 160, SH 10, RR Spur	11/22/2024
4	D-25-EA	SH 61 over Surveyor Creek	11/17/2023

Whereas, under the current accounting procedures, the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise accepts transfers of existing bridges that are programmed for rehabilitation, and the following structures will be rehabilitated or have been rehabilitated as part of the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise program; and

Structure ID	Region	County	Facility Carried over Featured Intersection
F-20-BA	1	Arapahoe	I-70 EBND over US 40 Frontage Rd
F-20-BB	1	Arapahoe	I-70 WBND over US 40 Frontage Rd
J-12-AJ	5	Chaffee	US 285 over Draw

Whereas, F-20-BA, F-20-BB, and J-12-AJ have been rated Poor by the Department based on the National Bridge Inventory Standards rating scale; and

Whereas, F-20-BA, F-20-BB, and J-12-AJ qualify as a designated bridges per C.R.S. § 43-4-80(10) making these bridges eligible for BTE funding; and

Whereas, in accordance with accounting procedures for BTE funded projects, a transfer of assets from CDOT to BTE is required to ensure compliance with the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR); and

Whereas, the Attorney General of Colorado states that these structures are a non-cash asset and a transfer of such assets will have no TABOR impact to CDOT or the BTE; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise Board of Directors hereby accepts (i) maintenance responsibility for and (ii) ownership for accounting purposes of the four new bridge assets with new bridge identification numbers listed above; and

Now Therefore Be It Further Resolved, the Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise Board of Directors hereby accepts (i) the transfer of and (ii) maintenance responsibility for the three BTE eligible structures listed above and programmed for rehabilitation from CDOT at no cost.



Herman Stockinger, Secretary
Bridge and Tunnel Enterprise Board of Directors