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Advertisement of Accessible Plans & Specifications

Per Procedural Directive 31.1, titled "Website Development and Web Accessibility", content on an external-facing Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) website must be accessible by July 1, 2024. Although House Bill (HB) 24-1454 provided a one-year grace period, CDOT will not seek the HB 24-1454 extension, as it has been determined that our current websites and online applications align with and comply with Office of Information Technology's (OIT's) [Rules Establishing Technology Accessibility Standards.pdf](#).

As this relates to the advertisement of accessible plans for construction after July 1, 2024, due to the diverse information conveyed in even the most basic plan set, it is not currently technologically feasible to make items like a plan sheet accessible. To assist those needing accommodation for elements of an advertisement package like plan sheets, the [Accessibility at CDOT](#) link posted at the bottom of all CDOT websites has been added to the [CDOT Business Management System](#) site, which hosts all CDOT project advertisements. This link directs anyone needing accommodation to a central point of contact, which will route requests to the appropriate personnel. Those needing plans-related accommodation will first be directed to the project support personnel responsible for project advertisements, who will then refer inquiries to the Project Manager when necessary.

Regarding the accessibility of project special provision specifications created by the regions for project advertisements, it is technologically feasible to make these accessible due to their text formatting. Recognizing that additional remediation is typically required once Word documents are converted to Portable Document Format (PDF), all CDOT standard special provision specifications and project special provision templates posted online have already been made accessible in Word format. Effective immediately, region staff will be responsible for remediating specification packages. Here are a few accessibility resources:

See Procedural Directive 31.1 - Web Development & Web Accessibility Requirements on our Employee Hub

[Accessibility Resources \(Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \[WCAG\] & Section 508 Compliance\)](#)



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[Updated Accessibility Statement and accomodation requests.doc](#)

Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)
[CDOT Accessibility Adoption Plan.gslides](#)

[Accessible Portable Document Formats \(PDF's\) and Documents](#)

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