

Fact Sheet

US 50 Blue Mesa Bridge Update County Road 26 Local Access

Overview

Improvements to County Road 26 (Lake City Cutoff) have been made to open this route for local commuters and critical travel between Montrose and Gunnison four times each day starting **Friday, May 3.** Engineers continue to address cracking in the US Highway 50 bridge girder crossing the Blue Mesa Reservoir at Dillon Pinnacles.

Pilot Car Operations

6:30 to 7 a.m. for westbound travel beginning at CO 149 and CR 26.

7:30 to 8 a.m. for eastbound travel beginning at US 50 and CR 26.

Noon to 12:30 p.m. for westbound travel beginning at CO 149 and CR 26.

1 to 1:30 p.m. for eastbound travel beginning at US 50 and CR 26.

6:30 to 7 p.m. for westbound travel beginning at CO 149 and CR 26. 7:30 to 8 p.m. for eastbound travel beginning at US 50 and CR 26.

8:30 to 9 p.m. for westbound travel beginning at CO 149 and CR 26.

9:30 to 10 p.m. for eastbound travel beginning at US 50 and CR 26.

County Road 26 will only be open for travel during these timeframes. The road will remain closed at all other times for the ongoing restoration work needed to ensure the road remains safe for travel.

Weight Restrictions

Because CR 26 is a high-mountain, unpaved road that isn't intended to accommodate the traffic volumes of US 50, travel times will be limited and commercial vehicles exceeding a 16,001 gross vehicle weight rating are prohibited. No trailers are allowed.

Contact Information

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