



Project Fact Sheet

US 50 Emergency Bridge Repairs

Roadway closed between Montrose and Gunnison

Project Overview

A safety closure is in place for a section of US Highway 50 located west of Gunnison. The Colorado Department of Transportation closed the bridge on Thursday, April 19, at the urging of the Federal Highway Administration and state bridge engineering experts due to the findings of an ongoing safety inspection, which identified a crack in the bridge girder. The bridge closure is located between Gunnison and Montrose, east of the US 50 Little Blue Creek Canyon project, which is currently in a planned winter shutdown.

Current Status

- CDOT is continuing to assess the safety of the bridge to quickly determine options for interim and permanent fixes - and will keep the public informed as soon as more information is available.
- This is likely a long-term closure, plan accordingly.

Travel Impacts

- US 50 closed from mile marker 131 to mile marker 148 over Blue Mesa reservoir
- Detours are I-70 to the north, or US 160 to the south
- CDOT and local agencies are working to establish a local detour.
- Local traffic will be allowed through the closure point to reach residences

Contact Information

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