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To: High-Performance Transportation Enterprise Board / Colorado Transportation Commission

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Subject: Moratorium on Unsolicited Proposals on Interstate 25 North, Interstate 270, and Central 70

## **Purpose**

Following the workshop and briefing to the Transportation Commission (TC) and High-Performance Transportation Enterprise (HPTE) Board of Directors in November 2020, HPTE staff are requesting action from the TC and HPTE Board of Director's to remove the unsolicited proposal moratoriums that currently exist on I-25 North and I-270.

## **Action**

The TC and HPTE Board are asked to approve the removal of the unsolicited proposal (UP) moratoriums on I-270 and I-25 North.

## Background

Over the past eight years, CDOT and HPTE have procured over \$1.4 billion worth of projects on I-25 north and Central 70 and are moving forward with the project planning process on I-270, but there is still a need for infrastructure investment on those corridors. HPTE has interest from the P3/Developer industry on some of these corridors for unsolicited proposals but has had to reject them because of the moratoriums. HPTE thinks it is time to lift the moratoriums on I-25 North and I-270 so staff can evaluate industry ideas to see if they are worth moving forward.

At this time, HPTE does not recommend lifting the moratorium on the Central 70 because the original intent of the moratorium on this corridor was so that CDOT/HPTE could procure the project on its own. The Central 70 project was successfully procured, and is currently under construction, slated to be complete in 2022, and will be operated by Kiewit Meridiam Partners for the next 30 years.

## Options / Decision Matrix

- 1. Staff Recommendation: Lift the UP moratoriums on I-270 and I-25 North.
- 2. Lift one or a combination of the moratoriums, but keep one or more in place.
- 3. Keep all of the moratoriums in place.