# April 2014 Monthly Operations Report











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# INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Schedule 6, Section 1.8.2(a) of the Concession Agreement, Plenary Roads Denver ("PRD") is required to submit a monthly report covering all essential statistics related to the Managed Lanes, along with any Incident Reports filed during the reporting period. The following data covers the month of April 2014.

#### **1.0 VOLUMES AND LANE USAGE**

The total monthly traffic volume for April 2014 was 298,995.

The table below provides the monthly summary, along with a detailed breakdown of weekday volumes. For reference, the AM Peak Period is considered to be weekdays from 6:00 am – 10:00 am. The PM Peak Period is considered to be weekdays from 3:00pm – 7:00pm.

April 2014 Summary							
	Transponder	Hybrid	Licence Plate	HOV	Violation	Total	
Total Monthly Traffic	78,056	5,367	30,042	184,974	556	298,995	
Maximum Weekday Traffic	3,785	267	1,532	7,506	29	13,119	
Average Weekday Traffic	2,579	176	983	6,206	19	9,964	
Average AM Peak/Hour	555	37	204	864	3	1,663	
Average PM Peak/Hour	503	30	199	823	3	1,559	
Average AM Peak Period	1,522	107	537	2,192	9	4,366	
Average PM Peak Period	1,403	88	543	2,543	12	4,588	

 Table 1 - April 2014 Traffic Summary

The following tables depict the distribution of traffic types (Table 1) and daily traffic volumes (Table 2) for the month.



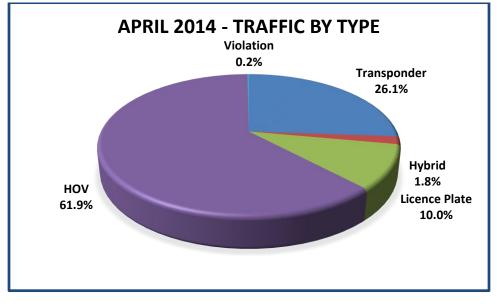


Figure 1 - Traffic by Type

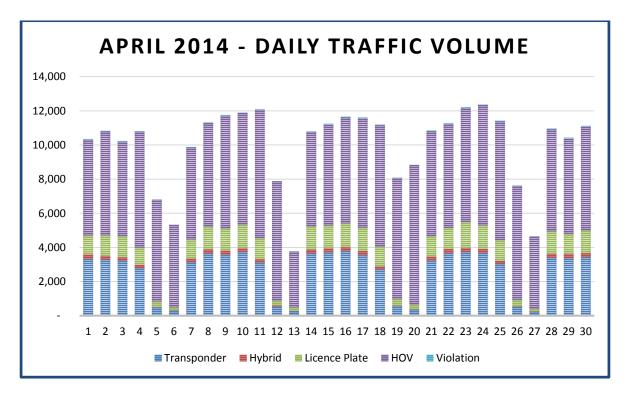


Figure 2 - Daily Traffic Volumes



#### 2.0 BUS TRAVEL TIME

Beginning in August 2013, RTD has been replacing its old T21 plastic case transponders with new 6C sticker transponders. The travel time indicators ("TTIs") in the lanes are only able to read the T21 protocol. As a result, there is not currently an ability to track the travel times of the buses in the Express Lanes during the month of April 2014. A solution to this issue is under development.

#### 3.0 REVENUES

During the month of April 2014, PRD collected \$247,272 from users of the Managed Lanes. For the purposes of this report, revenues are recognized at the time which they are collected, which is typically sometime after they have been incurred for those customers who are billed based on their licence plate. For example, if a single-occupant vehicle uses the lanes in March but pays in April, the associated revenue is attributed to April.

#### 4.0 OPERATIONAL INCIDENTS, ISSUES, AND CLOSURES

The bus exit lanes in front of Denver Union Station will remain closed until May 11, 2014. Currently, all traffic must exit the Managed Lanes at 19<sup>th</sup> Street. This situation continues to cause sporadic delays during the morning peak periods.

Throughout the month, there were numerous incidents logged in respect of light stanchions with individual bulbs out. As such, there are many lighting incidents logged, each with cure periods of six months. Routine testing is currently underway to ensure that the outages are related to the bulbs themselves and not the electrical connections that power them. Upon completion of testing, the incidents will be remediated and closed.

Four incidents related to pothole and debris remediation and were cured within the allowable cure periods for same.

#### 5.0 ENFORCEMENT

PRD, HPTE and the Colorado State Patrol ("CSP") are working together in partnership to ensure the safety and integrity of both the General and Managed Lanes. Detailed statistics related to the CSP's enforcement activities will be made available in PRD Quarterly Reports, the first of which will be released in July 2014.



### 6.0 HYBRID UTILIZATION

Total Hybrid Trips	Average AM Peak	Average PM Peak		
5,367	107	88		

Table 2 - Hybrid Utilization

Fuel efficient "Hybrid" vehicles are permitted to access the Express Lanes free of charge, regardless of occupant numbers, provided that they have obtained a permit from CDOT, obtained a Hybrid transponder from E-470, and display an E-470 Hybrid decal on the vehicle's windshield. PRD tracks Hybrid usage of the Express Lanes, which has trended downward during the past 12 months but has experienced a small increase during the current period.

The total of 5,367 Hybrid trips during April 2014 is up 1.6% relative to April 2013. This indicates a small increase in the propensity to use a transponder-equipped hybrid vehicle in the Managed Lanes relative to this period last year.