# Regional Transit Service between Montrose and Telluride

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#### Location

New fixed-route transit service on US 550, SH 62, and SH 145

- Montrose, Ouray, San Miguel counties
- Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Regions 3 and 5

#### **Description**

This project will provide a new public fixedroute transit service between Montrose and Telluride on US 550, SH 62, and SH 145. It is anticipated to run 7 days/week with 4 trips/day which would require 2 full size buses. Potential stops include Montrose, Colona, Ridgway, Placerville, and Telluride. Project costs include capital and 10 years of operating.

## **Project Cost**

- \$3.32 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Fixed route transit service to/from Telluride is a county need, there is a high volume of daily commuters."

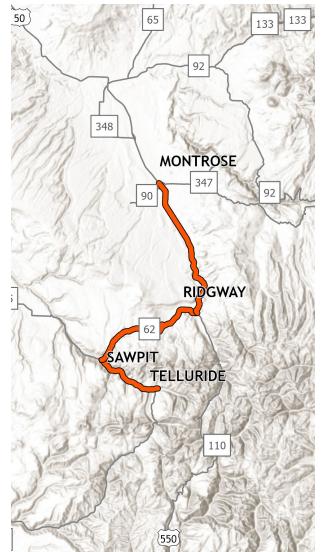
#### **Urgent Need**

• Mobility: A high percentage of historically underrepresented populations, including people age 65+, people with disabilities, low-income residents, and communities of color reside in Montrose that may require additional mobility options.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

• Mobility: New transit service provides additional options for people who live and work in the Region to access jobs, goods, and services, which often positively influences personal health and quality of life.







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# US 285 Safety and Mobility Improvements between Center and Saguache



#### Location

US 285 between Center and Saguache

- Saguache County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will widen shoulders on US 285 between Center and Saguache.

## **Project Cost**

- \$33.68 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

"We need shoulders full width shoulders on US 285. With the growing interest in cycling, the need for wider shoulders or designated bike lanes is a major issue."

#### **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: This Colorado Freight Corridor carries approximately 2,500 vehicles per day, including over 300 trucks.
- Safety: Shoulders are narrow or nonexistent in some sections. Significantly higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash type is wildlife.

- Mobility: Wider shoulders will provide a more comfortable space for bicyclists, reducing the level of stress for all users.
- Safety: The shoulder widening improvements will increase traveler safety for all users, including cyclists and truckers, as shoulders provide space for disabled vehicles, enforcement, emergency response and/or maintenance, crash avoidance and/or recovery. Shoulders can also improve sight distance and drainage.







# US 550 Shoulder Improvements, Deer Fencing, and Animal Underpass

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#### Location

US 550 between Uncompany River and Colona (Billy Creek)

- Ouray County
- Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will improve 3 miles of shoulders along US 550. An animal underpass will be constructed, as well as deer fencing and animal escape ramps.

## **Project Cost**

- \$30.57 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"A dangerous road that needs attention. Cars frequently hit wildlife along this stretch of highway."

#### **Urgent Need**

- **Mobility:** Carries approximately 7,500 vehicles per day, including 600 trucks.
- Safety: Significantly higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash types are rear-end crashes and wildlife crashes. Shoulders are narrow or nonexistent in some sections.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

- Mobility: A High Demand Bicycle Corridor, the shoulders will provide a safer and more comfortable space for bicyclists, enhancing public health.
- Safety: The shoulder improvements and wildlife underpass and fencing will increase traveler safety. US 550 is both a Colorado Freight Corridor and a scenic byway. The improvements will enhance economic vitality by improving safety and reducing travel delays for the freight industry and tourists.
- Asset Management: The project will resurface the highway, improving the drivability life. Making minor repairs to highways (i.e., resurfacing) before major repairs are required is more cost-effective.





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# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1303 US 160 Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Infrastructure

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#### Location

US 160 between Durango and the Wolf Creek Pass Tunnel

- Archuleta, La Plata, Mineral counties
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project will install fiber-optics and ITS devices between Durango and the Wolf Creek Pass Tunnel.

## **Project Cost**

- \$30.56 million (\$27 million funded; \$3.56 million unfunded)
- Priority project for years 5-10 of 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Fiber optic communication is a high priority. There is a need for the addition of informational signs to alert and direct drivers."

#### **Urgent Need**

• Safety: Weather conditions can be unpredictable and change quickly on US 160 and the mountain passes. Real-time information is needed to communicate travel conditions to travelers.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

- Mobility: The installation of fiber-optics and ITS devices to provide real-time information to travelers of road conditions, the status of road closures, and the availability of parking enables drivers to better plan their travels.
- Safety: The installation of fiber-optics and ITS devices will allow travelers to know of any conditions that could compromise their safety while traveling.



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# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1309 Alamosa Transit Center



#### Location

Downtown Alamosa

- Alamosa County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will establish a centrally located transit center for expanded local, regional, and intercity services and will include administrative office space, bus storage, restrooms, ticketing, and 50 parking spaces. The project cost includes all capital and 10 years of operating.

# **Project Cost**

- \$2.8 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

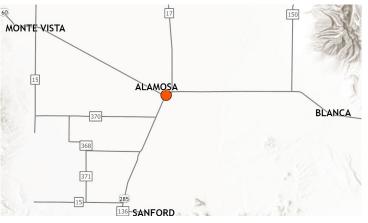
"There is a need of public transportation in Alamosa. Improve bus transit and create a bus transit facility."

## **Urgent Need**

• Mobility: A high percentage of historically underrepresented populations, including people age 65+, people with disabilities, low-income residents, and communities of color, reside in Alamosa who may require additional mobility options.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

• Mobility: A multimodal transportation center provides safe and convenient access and connectivity, improving the mobility experience for those who use, and often rely on, public transportation. The transit center will maximize the life of the vehicles by protecting them from weather and will also provide administrative space resulting in improved operational efficiency. Transfer facilities can encourage the adjacent development of retail and services, such as restaurants and coffee shops, frequented by transit users.





# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1315 US 160 Trinchera Ranch Safety and Wildlife Mitigation

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#### Location

US 160 between North La Veta Pass and Fort Garland

- Costilla County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project will improve two intersection and install two wildlife crossing structures, along with wildlife fencing.

# **Project Cost**

- \$6.5 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

# What We Heard

"Wildlife mitigation is a priority between Fort Garland and Trinchera."

## **Urgent Need**

- **Mobility:** This Colorado Freight Corridor carries approximately 4,600 vehicles per day, including nearly 700 trucks.
- Safety: Significantly higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash type is wildlife. According to State Farm Insurance, in 2016, 1 in 263 crashes in Colorado was the result of a collision with a large animal like a deer, an elk, or a moose.

- **Mobility:** The intersection improvements will improve operations for all users.
- Safety: Region's Top Corridor Safety Project due to high frequency of wildlife crashes.





# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1326 Pagosa Springs Transportation Center



#### Location

Downtown Pagosa Springs

- Archuleta County
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project is a transportation center in Pagosa Springs. The project includes capital costs and 10 years of operating.

# **Project Cost**

- \$1.35 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

# What We Heard

"We need reliable transit between Cortez, Durango and Pagosa Springs...this means funding. We need more ways to connect to bus and train routes. Especially need interstate routes that do not require travel to a distant 'hub'."

#### **Urgent Need**

• Mobility: A high percentage of historically underrepresented populations, including people age 65+ and people with disabilities, reside in Pagosa Springs who may require additional mobility options.

# **Benefits If Funded**

• Mobility: A new transportation center may make taking transit easier and improve the customer experience for those who use public transportation; especially people who rely on alternative modes to meet all of their mobility needs. Transfer facilities can encourage the adjacent development of retail and services, such as restaurants and coffee shops, frequented by transit users.





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# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1334 US 160 Elmore's Corner East



#### Location

US 160 from Elmore's Corner east toward Bayfield

- La Plata County
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

## Description

This project will complete the improvements consistent with the Environmental Impact Statement, which includes widening, access improvements, and wildlife mitigation.

## **Project Cost**

- \$34.53 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

"Highway 160 east of Durango is very dangerous. Passing lanes exist but could be expanded for greater safety, as well as wildlife zones"

# **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: This Colorado Freight Corridor and scenic byway carries approximately 15,000 vehicles per day, including over 700 trucks.
- Safety: Significantly higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash types are wildlife and roadway departures. According to State Farm Insurance, in 2016, 1 in 263 crashes in Colorado was the result of a collision with a large animal like a deer, an elk, or a moose.

- **Mobility:** Widening will enhance the mobility and travel time reliability for all users, including truckers.
- Safety: The widening, access improvements, and wildlife mitigation will increase traveler safety. The improvements will enhance economic vitality by improving safety and reducing travel delays for the freight industry and tourists.
- Asset Management: The project will resurface the highway and rehabilitate bridges in the study area. Making minor repairs to highways (i.e., resurfacing) before major repairs are required is more cost-effective.







# Pagosa Springs' Main Street Reconstruction and Multimodal Improvements

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#### Location

US 160 in Pagosa Springs between the San Juan River Bridge/1st Street and McCabe Creek

- Archuleta County
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project will reconstruct US 160 and provide multimodal improvements in Pagosa Springs.

## **Project Cost**

- \$13.67 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

"A large amount of foot and bicycle traffic in Pagosa Springs. Sidewalks are against the streets."

#### **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: This Colorado Freight Corridor carries approximately 13,400 vehicles per day, including over 700 trucks. Downtown Pagosa Springs is active with pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Safety: Pagosa Springs' Main Street is active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists interacting along the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.
- Asset Management: Moderate drivability life.

- Mobility: Multimodal facilities will enhance mobility for cyclists on a High Demand Bicycle Corridor.
- Safety: The inclusion of multimodal improvements will improve the safety for all users, particularly pedestrians and cyclists.
- Asset Management: Intersection reconstruction will improve drivability life. Sidewalk improvements also ensure federal compliance of sidewalks along the state highways.







# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1482 Multimodal Improvements on SH 145

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#### Location

SH 145 in Sawpit, Placerville, Norwood, and Rico

- San Miguel County
- Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

## Description

This project will provide multimodal improvements such as ADA ramps, curb and gutter, crosswalks, rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs), and restriping to improve the pedestrian and bicycling environment.

# Project Cost

- \$5 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

# What We Heard

"Make this road (SH 145) more bicycle & pedestrian friendly."

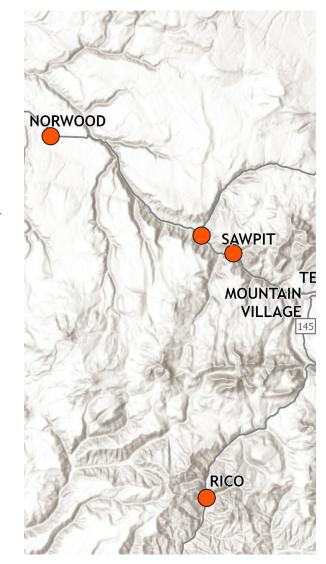
## **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: State highways can function as a barrier for pedestrians and the disabled who are unable to safely cross SH 145 in many locations.
- Safety: SH 145 is main street in many communities and is active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists interacting along the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.

- **Mobility:** Pedestrians will have designated crossing facilities, increasing mobility and connectivity.
- Safety: Signed and marked pedestrian crossings will improve safety for all users, especially pedestrians and cyclists. Sidewalk improvements also ensure federal compliance of sidewalks along state highways.









# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 1490 CDOT's Region 5 Shoulder Study



#### Location

Various state highways

- Gunnison Valley, San Luis Valley, and Southwest Transportation Planning Regions
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This study will identify the locations in greatest need of shoulders for the limited shoulder funds.

# **Project Cost**

- \$18.72 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

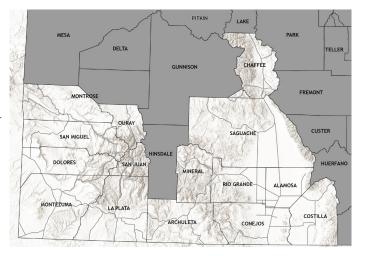
## What We Heard

"Increase shoulder width for drivers and bicyclists. This can apply to many of the more rural highways."

#### **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: The lack of shoulders creates a stressful traveling environment for all users.
- **Safety:** Shoulders are narrow or nonexistent along many highways in the Region.

- Mobility: Some corridors in the Region are High Demand Bicycle Corridors. Wider shoulders will enhance mobility for bicyclists, enhancing public health.
- Safety: Some corridors in the Region are Colorado Freight Corridors and carry significant truck volumes. Shoulders provide space for disabled vehicles, enforcement, emergency response and/or maintenance, crash avoidance and/or recovery. Shoulders can also improve sight distance and drainage.







# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 2038 US 160 Multimodal Improvements in Alamosa



#### Location

US 160 between Rio Grande bridge and SH 17 in Alamosa

- Alamosa County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will improve safety and multimodal accommodation.

# **Project Cost**

- \$8.8 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

"Intersection improvements at the US 160 and SH 17 intersection is the main priority. This project has been a main priority for years and is in high demand."

#### **Urgent Need**

- **Mobility:** US 160 is a scenic byway and is Main Street in Alamosa with over 15,000 vehicles a day traveling through this intersection.
- **Safety:** This section of US 160 connects to the Rio Grande River Trail but is high stress for bicyclists.

## **Benefits If Funded**

- Mobility: The improvements will enhance economic vitality and mobility by reducing travel delays for the freight industry and tourists. Improvements will increase connectivity for bicyclists and pedestrians.
- **Safety:** Intersection improvements at SH 17 will increase safety for all users, and multimodal improvements will enhance safety for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Sidewalk improvements also ensure federal compliance of sidewalks along state highways.





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# US 24 Intersection Improvements in Buena Vista

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#### Location

US 24 and Steele Drive, US 24 and De Paul Avenue/Baylor Drive

- Chaffee County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will improve the safety of the intersections of US 24 at Steele Drive and at De Paul Avenue/Baylor Drive in Buena Vista.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$8 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Growing amount of traffic on US 24 along Baylor. Intersection improvements needed such as a traffic light, turning lanes and multi modal features are necessary."

#### **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: US 24 is a highly traveled highway carrying over 11,000 vehicles per day, including nearly 400 trucks. Buena Vista is active with pedestrians and bicyclists crossing the highway.
- Safety: US 24 bisects Buena Vista and is active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists interacting along and across the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.

## **Benefits If Funded**

- **Mobility:** The improvements will enhance economic vitality and mobility by reducing travel delays for the freight industry and tourists.
- Safety: Intersection improvements will increase safety for all users and reduce stress for cyclists in a currently high stress environment.





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# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 2050 SH 112 Pedestrian Crossing in Center

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#### Location

SH 112 in Center

- Rio Grande County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

## Description

This project will improve pedestrian connectivity to the school by providing a crossing of SH 112.

## **Project Cost**

- \$750,000
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

# What We Heard

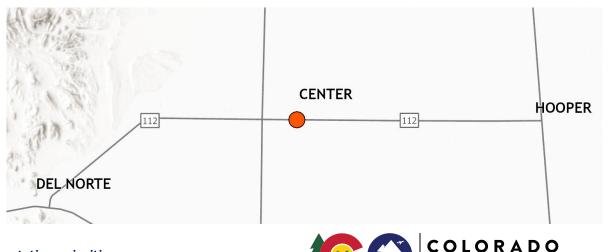
"The Town of Center is requesting multi-modal improvements to access the school across SH 112."

# Urgent Need

- Mobility: The lack of a well-marked, designated crosswalk makes crossing the highway difficult for pedestrians and cyclists, particularly those trying to access the school.
- **Safety:** SH 112 bisects the Town of Center, and crossing the highway is unsafe and stressful for pedestrians.

- **Mobility:** Pedestrians will have designated crossing facilities, increasing mobility and connectivity.
- Safety: A signed and marked pedestrian crossing will improve safety for all users, especially pedestrians and cyclists.





# Intersection Improvements at US 160 and Pike Avenue



#### Location

US 160 and Pike Avenue in Alamosa

- Alamosa County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will improve safety and pedestrian connectivity. This project was prioritized in the 2019 Safety Study.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$3 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

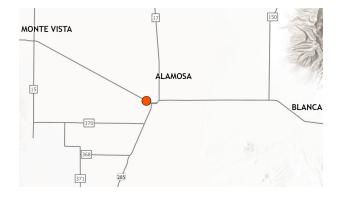
## What We Heard

"Hard to see lane road lines and turning lanes. The high vehicular speeds on US 160/Main Street are a concern."

#### **Urgent Need**

- **Mobility:** The lack of designated pedestrian facilities makes crossing the highway difficult for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Safety: US 160 is Main Street in Alamosa and is active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists interacting along the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.

- **Mobility:** Pedestrians will have a designated crossing facility, increasing mobility and connectivity.
- Safety: Intersection improvements that include a signed and marked crosswalk will improve safety for all users, especially pedestrians and cyclists. The 2020 Safety Study identified this project as Region 5's top priority.
- Asset Management: The project will reconstruct the intersection, improving drivability life.







# US 285 Improvements in Saguache



#### Location

US 285 in Saguache

- Saguache County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will improve US 285 through Saguache with multimodal, streetscaping, and wayfinding enhancements.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$750,000
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

"Multi-modal, streetscaping, and wayfinding improvements are needed in the Town of Saguache."

#### **Urgent Need**

- **Mobility:** This Colorado Freight Corridor carries over 2,100 vehicles per day, including approximately 250 trucks.
- Safety: Saguache's Main Street is active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists interacting along the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

- **Mobility:** Multimodal facilities and wayfinding will increase mobility and connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists on this High Demand Bicycle Corridor.
- Safety: The inclusion of multimodal improvements will improve the safety for all users, particularly pedestrians and cyclists. Sidewalk improvements also ensure federal

compliance of sidewalks along state highways.



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# Intersection and Pedestrian Improvements at SH 291 and US 50

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#### Location

US 50 and SH 291 in Salida

- Chaffee County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project will improve the pedestrian environment at intersections along SH 291 and US 50 in Salida.

## **Project Cost**

- \$2.5 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

## What We Heard

"Make more friendly bike/ped connections and pathways along Highway 50 and Highway 291 in Salida."

#### **Urgent Need**

- **Mobility:** Narrow shoulders and the lack of multimodal facilities limit mobility for pedestrians.
- Safety: US 50 and SH 291 are main streets in Salida and active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists all interacting on the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

- **Mobility:** Pedestrian improvements will enable connectivity and encourage walking, improving public health.
- Safety: The pedestrian improvements will increase the safety for all users, particularly pedestrians. Sidewalk improvements also ensure federal compliance of sidewalks along

state highways.





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# Intersection Improvements at US 160 and CR 30.1 (Phil's World)



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#### Location

- US 160 and Road 30.1 (entrance to Phil's World)
- Montezuma County
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project will improve the intersection of US 160 and CR 30.1, the entrance to Phil's World, a nationally renowned mountain biking area. Improvements may include turn, deceleration, and acceleration lanes.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$1.5 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

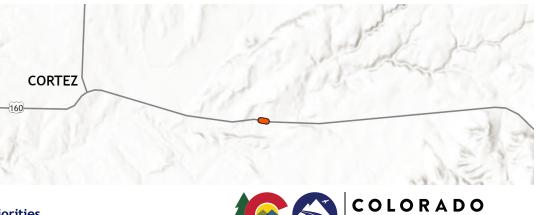
"Route 160 is a two-lane highway with frequent head-on collisions."

#### **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: This Colorado Freight Corridor carries approximately 7,100 vehicles per day, including over 450 trucks.
- Safety: Higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash types are rear-end crashes.

- **Mobility:** The acceleration and deceleration lanes will reduce traveler confusion and delay caused by vehicles accessing the highway.
- **Safety:** Intersection improvements will increase safety for all users.
- Asset Management: The project will reconstruct the intersection, improving drivability life.





# Wildlife Mitigation on US 160 between Cortez and Durango (near CR 30.1)

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#### Location

US 160 between Cortez and Durango (near CR 30.1)

- Montezuma and La Plata Counties
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project includes wildlife fencing and underpass, brush removal, sight distance improvements between Cortez and Durango (near CR 30.1).

#### **Project Cost**

- \$2.88 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Deer fencing is needed. Add animal underpasses/overpasses."

#### **Urgent Need**

Safety: Significantly higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash types is wildlife. According to State Farm Insurance, in 2016, 1 in 263 crashes in Colorado was the result of a collision with a large animal like a deer, an elk, or a moose.

- **Safety:** Wildlife fencing and underpass will increase traveler safety by minimizing traveler interaction with wildlife.
- Asset Management: The project would replace a culvert in the study area.





# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 2091 US 160 and CR 225 Intersection Improvements

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#### Location

US 160 and CR 225 east of Durango

- La Plata County
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project will improve the intersection of US 160 and CR 225A and may include a roundabout and safety improvements.

# Project Cost

- \$5 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

# What We Heard

"Dangerous intersections (US 160) for trucks. Needs to be improved."

## **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: This Colorado Freight Corridor carries approximately 11,000 vehicles and over 550 trucks a day.
- **Safety:** Significantly higher crash rate compared to that of similar highways, indicating a high potential for crash reduction. Most frequent crash types is rear-end.

## **Benefits If Funded**

- **Mobility:** The improvements will enhance economic vitality and mobility by reducing travel delays for the freight industry and tourists.
- **Safety:** Intersection improvements will increase safety for all users.
- Asset Management: The project will
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the intersection, improving drivability life.





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# US 160 and Piedra Road Intersection Improvements



#### Location

US 160 and Piedra Road in Pagosa Springs

- Archuleta County
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project will improve the intersection of US 160 and Piedra Road in Pagosa Springs.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$300,000
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Main Street is a main road and it is too dangerous."

#### Urgent Need

• Safety: Most frequent crash type is rear-end.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

• Safety: Intersection improvements will increase safety for all users. This project was identified as a top priority in the 2018 Region 5 Safety Study







# US 50 Corridor Improvements in Poncha Springs

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#### Location

US 50 in Poncha Springs

- Chaffee County
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project includes multimodal, streetscaping, and wayfinding improvements to US 50 in Poncha Springs.

## **Project Cost**

- \$2 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

# What We Heard

"Poncha Springs is growing exponentially and seemingly unplanned."

#### **Urgent Need**

- Mobility: US 50 is a High Demand Bicycle Corridor and a scenic byway.
- Safety: Poncha Springs' Main Street is active with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and cyclists interacting along the highway, which can create stressful, unsafe conditions for travelers.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

- Mobility: Multimodal facilities will enhance mobility for pedestrians and cyclists on this High Demand Bicycle Corridor and scenic byway.
- **Safety:** The inclusion of multimodal improvements will increase the safety for all users, particularly pedestrians and cyclists.

Sidewalk improvements also ensure federal compliance of sidewalks along state highways.







# Bustang Outrider Service between Pagosa Springs and Durango



#### Location

US 160

- Archuleta and La Plata counties
- Southwest Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### Description

This project would expand CDOT's Outrider bus service between Pagosa Springs and Durango. Service would provide one roundtrip per day, 365 days/year. This project cost includes the purchase of vehicles and 10 years of operating costs.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$2.69 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Expansion of CDOT's Outrider service between Pagosa Springs and Durango is desired."

#### **Urgent Need**

• Mobility: A high percentage of historically underrepresented populations, including people age 65+ and people with disabilities, reside in Pagosa Springs. Transit service connecting to Durango will improve quality of life and provide additional commuting options for local residents.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

• Mobility: New interregional transit service provides additional options for people who live and work in the Region to access jobs, goods, and services, which often positively influences personal health and enhances quality of life.







# One-Stop Shop for Transportation for the San Luis Valley

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#### Location

Non-corridor specific

- Multiple counties
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

This project creates a one-stop shop for transportation services information (e.g., call center, website, app), serving as a one-call, one-click resource. The project cost includes 10 years of operating.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$1 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of the 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"Improve bus transit by creating a bus transit facility and continue to support rural areas in establishing reliable transportation options."

#### **Urgent Need**

• Mobility: Understanding and being aware of existing transit and human services transportation can be challenging; improving the availability of transit service information will improve mobility in the Region, especially for historically underrepresented populations, including people age 65+, people with disabilities, and low-income residents.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

• **Mobility:** Maximizes availability of transit information for those who live, work, and recreate in the Region; this could positively impact quality of life and increase the use of alternative modes of transportation.



# FACT SHEET | Planning Project ID 2532 Northeast San Luis Valley Transit Service



#### Location

#### SH 17

- Alamosa and Saguache counties
- San Luis Valley Transportation Planning Region
- CDOT Region 5

#### **Description**

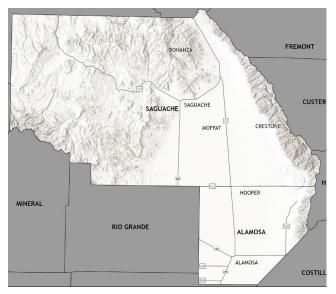
This project will provide fixed route/demand response hybrid service to Villa Grove, Lazy K-V Estates, Moffat (Crestone), Hooper, Mosca, Alamosa. The project will provide weekday service and will require two new vehicles. The project cost includes capital and 10 years of operating.

#### **Urgent Need**

• Mobility: A high percentage of historically underrepresented populations, including people age 65+, people with disabilities, low-income residents, and communities of color, reside in Alamosa who may require additional mobility options and improved connectivity.

#### **Benefits If Funded**

• Mobility: New transit service provides additional options for people who live and work in the Region to access jobs, goods, and services, which often positively influences personal health and enhances quality of life.



# Project Cost

- \$560,000
- Priority project for years 5-10 of 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"We need public transportation in Alamosa."



# FACT SHEET Southwest Rural Road Resurfacing Projects



#### Location

- Select locations throughout Region 5 (refer to map)
- Archuleta, Chaffee, Conejos, La Plata, and Montrose counties
- San Luis Valley, Southwest, and Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Regions

#### Description

Resurfacing of approximately 105 miles of highway in Region 5. Projects include portions of SH 15, SH 17, SH 136, SH 141, SH 151, SH 172, SH 371, and US 24.

#### **Project Cost**

- \$62.30 million total
- Projects range from \$2 million to \$10 million
- Priority project for years 5-10 of 10-Year Strategic Project Pipeline

#### What We Heard

"The highway is so horrible here! So many cracks and potholes. When we get horrible rain storms, it's so easy to hydroplane due to the water gathering on the highway. Please FIX! It's not safe anymore."

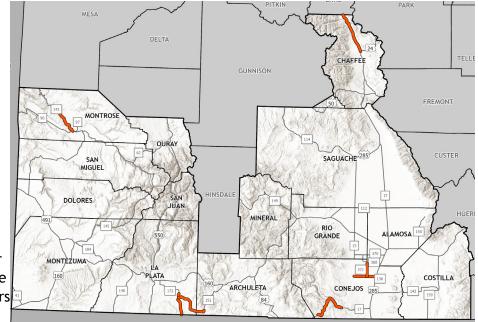
"The highways in Southwest Colorado are old, old, old. Even though we don't have volume that Denver does, we have no alternate routes and our highways deserve to be in driveable condition." Urgent Need

Many corridors in Region 5 have sections of low drivability life caused by deteriorating pavement condition. Driving on rough or deteriorated roadways costs each Colorado driver approximately \$468 a year in additional vehicle operating costs. Rough roads contribute to a decrease in fuel efficiency, wear and tear on tires, and can increase the need for minor repairs like strut replacements and realignments.

# **Benefits If Funded**

Roads that are free of potholes, cracks, and other damage improve mobility by supporting higher travel speeds and minimize crashes caused by drivers swerving to avoid damaged sections of highway. Well-maintained shoulders provide a safe area of refuge for drivers who encounter an incident on the roadway and can also provide a safer way for bicyclists to travel independently of motorized vehicles.

For more information, visit codot.gov/programs/your-transportation-priorities (October 2020)



#### See next page for a list of rural road resurfacing projects

Resurfacing the highway improves the drivability life. Making minor repairs to roads (i.e., resurfacing) before they require major repairs is cost-effective. According to a study done by the Transportation Research Board, making major repairs to roadways costs four times more than resurfacing them.



# FACT SHEET Southwest Rural Road Resurfacing Projects (Continued)

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| Plannning<br>Project ID | TPR | County              | Highway | Location                              |
|-------------------------|-----|---------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| 2633                    | GV  | Montrose            | SH 141  | SH 141 between Naturita and Nucla     |
| 2630                    | SLV | Conejos             | SH 136  | SH 136 east of La Jara                |
| 2631                    | SLV | Chaffee             | US 24   | US 24 between Buena Vista and Granite |
| 2634                    | SLV | Conejos             | SH 17   | SH 17 west of Antonito                |
| 2636                    | SLV | Conejos             | SH 15   | SH 15 west of La Jara                 |
| 2637                    | SLV | Conejos             | SH 371  | SH 371 between SH 15 and SH 368       |
| 2632                    | SW  | La Plata            | SH 172  | SH 172 between New Mexico to Ignacio  |
| 2635                    | SW  | Archuleta, La Plata | SH 151  | SH 151 between Ignacio and Arboles    |

TPR = Transportation Planning Region SLV = San Luis Valley GV = Gunnison Valley SW = Southwest



