# I-25 North Express Lanes FACT SHEET

# **Project Overview**

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) began the I-25 North Express Lanes project to improve safety and mobility on a 6-mile segment of I-25 between US 36 and 120th Avenue. One HOV/tolled Express Lane will be added in each direction and will connect with the existing I-25 Express Lanes system. Flatiron Constructors Inc. of Firestone, Colorado, is the contractor for this project.



# **Upcoming Work: 88th Avenue Bridge Profile Lowering**

- What: I-25 under the 88th Avenue Bridge will be lowered by approximately 1 foot
- When: From mid-July to mid-August
- **Why:** To bring the road up to the current standard of vertical clearance and allow for the inside shoulder to be converted into an Express Lane.
- **How:** Crews will remove the existing road surface, the road base material below that and an additional layer of existing fill material. Then, they will place new road base material and repave.

# **Tentative Lowering Schedule**

- Innermost lanes of I-25 July 14-25
- Northbound center lane July 26-27
- Southbound center lane Aug. 2-3
- Outer northbound lane July 28 to Aug. 1
- Outer southbound lane Aug. 4-9

# **Traffic Impacts**

The weekend of July 26, a single lane on Northbound I-25 will be closed between 84th Avenue and Thornton Parkway from Friday, July 25 at 10 p.m. to Monday, July 28 at 5:30 a.m. The on-ramp to northbound I-25 at 84th Avenue also will be closed.

The weekend of Aug. 2, a single lane on Southbound I-25 will be closed between Thornton Parkway and 84th Avenue from Friday, Aug. 1 at 10 p.m. to Monday, Aug. 4 at 5:30 a.m. The on-ramp to southbound I-25 at Thornton Parkway also will be closed.

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# **Overall Project Highlights**

- Convert the inside shoulder area into an additional lane allowing an Express Lane in each direction between US 36 and 120th Avenue
- Resurface with a combination of milling, filling and overlaying with two different kinds of asphalt
- Lower the profile of I-25 to improve vertical clearance underneath the 88th Ave. overpass
- Reconstruct the connection area of the existing Express Lanes and their ramps to I-25
- Install new highway directional and safety signage
- Construct new concrete sound barriers and replace existing wood fence with new sound barriers
- Install Active Traffic Management Overhead Signage that alerts drivers of downstream queues or incidents

## **Benefits of I-25 North Express Lanes**

- Mobility: Reduces travel time 22 percent in express lanes, 10 percent in general purpose lanes
- Economic: Supports continued economic growth along corridor

# **Project Benefits**

- · Create new jobs
- Save nearly 20 minutes for commuters in managed lanes—4 minutes for others
- Eliminate costly right-of-way acquisitions and additional pavement
- Generate new revenue to offset project costs
- **Increase** access to homes, businesses and recreation
- Improve traffic flow through electronic tolling

# **Project Duration and Times**

**Duration:** October 2013–October 2015

**Normal work hours:** Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Some night time operations are planned to minimize impacts to commuter traffic.

# **Commuting Options and Incentives**

Smart Commute Metro Northis currently offering two great incentives to commuters in the North I-25 corridor. During the I-25 North Express Lanes Project, Smart Commute will provide commuters with:



- FREE RTD 10-Ride Ticketbooks (Limit 1 booklet per person)
- \$100 per person monthly vanpool rate (Includes gas, insurance, vehicle, maintenance, etc.)

To learn more and apply to receive these incentives, visit **www.idrivei25.com** or contact Paul DesRocher, TDM Manager, at **paul@smartcommutemetronorth.org** or **720-515-8674**.