Eastbound I-70 PPSL September 2014 Newsletter

Construction is officially underway on the Eastbound I-70 Peak Period Shoulder Lane (PPSL). Work began at the end of July in Empire Junction, near mile marker 232 and is gradually working 13-miles east towards Idaho Springs.

Starting September 3, weekday (with intermittent Saturdays) construction activity will move to daytime hours (approximately 4a to 4p) to allow for longer work hours before winter arrives.

Travelers in the area may experience minimal delays due to single lane closures and slower speeds in the construction area on the eastbound side of I-70. The Colorado Department of Transportation will be closely monitoring daytime traffic activity to ensure that construction does not negatively impact the traveling public.

The majority of the work during the month of September will be near Downieville/Lawson/Dumont (Exit 234) in preparation for retaining wall construction. Other activities may include median and shoulder work, as well as initial guardrail installation.

Weather permitting, the SH 103 bridge and interchange reconstruction, along with improvements to historic Charlie Taylor Waterwheel Park (Exit 240), will begin in mid-to-late September and continue through the fall. Fall foliage viewing and related travel in and near the area (e.g., Guanella Pass) is not expected to be impacted.

SH 103 construction activity and anticipated detours will be updated weekly on the project website (<u>www.i70PPSL.com</u>) along with the project hotline (303-223-6581).

Because schedules will be updated periodically to accommodate weather, everyone is encouraged to sign up for text or email alerts through <u>GovDelivery</u>. To learn more about the project, planned improvements, duration and timing please make sure to visit our project <u>website</u>.