





# Initial project work requires full US 6 closure

#### What

US 6 will be closed in both directions between I-25 and Sheridan Boulevard

#### When

Friday, Feb. 14 at 9 p.m. until Monday, Feb. 17 at 5 a.m.

## Why

Crews will be doing several activities during the weekend that individually would require additional highway closures. To minimize impact on the traveling public, the following work will be done during this single highway closure:

- Demolition of the Knox Court bridge over US 6
- Partial removal of the Federal Boulevard bridge over US 6
- Relocation of an overhead power line near the S. Platte River
- Removal of the center median barrier and sign structures to facilitate US 6 traffic shifts
- Installation of temporary concrete barriers along US 6
- Temporary asphalt paving and lane restriping for highway traffic shifts

# **Details**

When the highway reopens Monday, Feb. 17, US 6 traffic will be put in a temporary alignment that will remain the same for about eight months. If the center median barrier removal was done with overnight single lane closures it would take about three weeks to do this work and traffic would be shifted gradually day-by-day, creating a condition of continual change for motorists. By performing this work concurrently, it also eliminates two full closures of US 6.

## **Traffic impacts**

The following closures will still be in effect when the highway reopens Monday, Feb. 17:

- The Knox Court bridge over US 6 will be closed for about three months for reconstruction
- The Lowell on-ramp to eastbound US 6 will be closed for about three months while this bridge is rebuilt and there will be periodic closures of the westbound US 6 off-ramp to Lowell/Perry during this time
- The Bryant Street on and off-ramps will be closed for about one year for construction of the collector-distributor roads on both sides of US 6
- The Federal Boulevard bridge over US 6 will be reduced to two lanes in each direction and the eastbound US 6 off-ramp to Federal Boulevard will be reduced to one lane

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### **US 6 Detours**

During the weekend closure of US 6, through traffic should use US 285, I-70 and C-470 while local traffic can use Alameda Avenue or Colfax Avenue to detour around the closure

## **Knox Bridge Detours**

During the three-month closure of the bridge, motorists should use Perry Street to cross over US 6. Cyclists should use 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Perry Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to cross from one side of the highway to the other while pedestrians should follow the Barnum Park trail system that connects to Federal Boulevard.

## Bryant Street on-ramp to westbound US 6 Detour



Vehicles should go north on Bryant Street/Canosa Court to 8th Avenue and either go east on 8th Avenue to Zuni to access southbound I-25 to westbound US 6 or west on 8th Avenue to Federal Boulevard. As of Feb. 17, 5th Avenue will open to two-way travel between Federal Boulevard and Decatur Street to get in and out of the industrial area.

## Lowell on-ramp to eastbound US 6 Detour



Motorists should go south on Knox Court to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, east on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue to Federal Boulevard, and north on Federal Boulevard to access eastbound US 6.

## **Eastbound US 6 off-ramp to Bryant Street Detour**



Eastbound US 6 vehicles should exit at Federal Boulevard and go south to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to access the industrial area.

The US 6 Bridges Design-Build Project involves improvements along 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from approximately Knox Court on the west through the BNSF railroad track bridge just east of I-25. The project includes building new bridges over Bryant Street, the South Platte River, BNSF railroad tracks, I-25 and over US 6 at Federal Boulevard and Knox Court. Substantial project completion is planned for August 2015.

During construction, commuters might want to consider alternative modes of transportation to help ease the impacts of the project. This could include using the Regional Transportation District's West Rail Line or bus service or taking advantage of carpool/vanpool options. For information on RTD services, call 303-299-6000. For carpool and vanpool information, call 303-458-7665.

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