

Figure 11.2 Potential Phasing Plan

Phase 1 would construct a four-lane barrier-separated express lane facility between Wadsworth Boulevard and I-25. A single lane in each direction, buffer-separated, would be constructed from Kipling Parkway to Wadsworth Boulevard.

Implementation is dependent on the alternative being selected as the preferred alternative in the C-470 EA and on obtaining a FONSI. Section 11.2, describes the steps necessary for the C-470 express lanes to advance to reality.

Phase 2 would construct a four-lane barrier-separated express lane facility from Bowles Avenue to I-70. Consideration should be given to constructing two express lanes from Bowles Avenue to Morrison Road initially as a short-term solution, due to the anticipated congestion in that segment.

Based on a continued 1.5 percent annual growth rate beyond 2025, Phase 2 could be warranted as early as 2030. This more aggressive growth scenario represents the earliest tolls would be warranted. Using a less conservative growth rate of 1 percent, this section would not be worth considering for express lanes until around 2040. It is