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# Travelers to encounter delays on CO66 & CO52 culvert improvement work

**Weld County** — The Colorado Department of Transportation will begin a culvert rehabilitation project at three locations in Northern Colorado as part of its statewide effort to rehabilitate culverts in need of repair. The work is scheduled to take place over a one month period, approximately December 7 to December 30, 2020. Contractor, America West Construction, LLC., has been hired to perform the work for this project.





The 3 project locations include:

- Weld County Site 1 Hwy 52 & MP 35.83
- Weld County Site 2 Hwy 66 & MP 50.32
- Weld County Site 3 Hwy 66 & MP 49.62

The culverts will be rehabilitated using the centrifugally cast concrete pipe (CCCP) method which uses centrifugal force to uniformly line the inside of each pipe with a high strength mortar. During construction at each site, one lane will be closed for the construction crews to work in.

The goal of the project is to increase the longevity of each stormwater conveyance pipe to prevent failures and erosion of the embankment(s), while ensuring the safety of the travelling public.

#### **TRAVEL IMPACTS**

Most of the work will occur off the roadways. However, within the construction zone there will be reduced speeds, daily lane closures, and traffic devices denoting the area. Work will be performed only during daytime hours and may include some Saturday work as required.

The traveling public is urged to obey signage for detours, speed reductions, and overweight/oversized restrictions. Motorists should also be aware of flaggers, maintenance workers and heavy equipment on and along the roadway.

### STAY INFORMED

More information about this project is available at:

- > The project web site: <u>https://www.codot.gov/projects/co52-66-critical-culvert-rehab</u>
- > Project information hotline: (720) 466-3226
- > Email the project team: CO66culverts@gmail.com

Travelers are urged to "know before you go." Gather information about weather forecasts and anticipated travel impacts and current road conditions prior to hitting the road. CDOT resources include:

- Road conditions and travel information: <u>www.COtrip.org</u>
- Sign up for project or travel alerts: <u>bit.ly/COalerts</u>
- See scheduled lane closures: codot.gov/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html
- Connect with us on social media: Twitter @coloradodot and Facebook facebook.com/coloradodot

### **REMEMBER: SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE**

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

- Do not speed in work zones. Obey the posted speed limits.
- Stay Alert! Expect the unexpected.
- Watch for workers. Drive with caution.
- Don't change lanes unnecessarily.
- Avoid using mobile devices such as phones while driving in work zones.
- Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you.
- Be especially alert at night while driving in work zones.
- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.
- <u>Allow ample space</u> between you and the car in front of you.
- Anticipate lane shifts and merge when directed to do so.
- Be patient!

#### WHOLE SYSTEM. WHOLE SAFETY.

In early 2019, CDOT announced its Whole System—Whole Safety initiative to heighten safety awareness. This initiative takes a systematic, statewide approach to safety combining the benefits of CDOT's programs that address driving behaviors, our built environment and the organization's operations. The goal is to improve the safety of Colorado's transportation network by reducing the rate and severity of crashes and improving the safety of all transportation modes. The program has one simple mission — to get everyone home safely.

### **ABOUT CDOT**

CDOT has approximately 3,000 employees located throughout Colorado, and manages more than 23,000 lane miles of highway and 3,429 bridges. CDOT also manages grant partnerships with a range of other agencies, including metropolitan planning organizations, local governments and airports. It also administers Bustang, the state-owned and operated interregional express service. Governor Polis has charged CDOT to further build on the state's intermodal mobility options.

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