

SH 52 Coalition Update July Update

CDOT wanted to provide a brief summary to keep you posted on the activities completed to date and next steps on the CO 52 Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study and Access Control Plan (ACP).

PEL STATUS: The Draft Existing Conditions was submitted to CDOT on July 13th for review. The Technical Team and Resource Agencies will have a chance to review the document at the of the month. Needs identified in the Existing Conditions Report will be used to develop the Purpose and Need and Project Goals. Traffic data at intersections was not collected as part of the Existing Conditions Report since current volumes do not reflect normal traffic patterns. At the end of July, the project team will decide if traffic volumes have returned to 'normal corridor conditions' to collect intersection data and if not determine an approach to move forward.

ACP STATUS: The project team has identified 500-600 access points along CO 52. Field verification in July will confirm the location of existing access points and current intersection configurations (full movement, signalized, unsignalized, right-in right-out, $\frac{3}{4}$ movement) along with the type of the access (railroad, agriculture, at-grade, commercial, emergency, field access, oil and gas, other). The next step will be to meet with the Local Agencies to get input on access needs. To assist developers and local agencies when making land development decisions, the proposed ROW preservation line identified during the PEL study will be reflected on the ACP.

COMMUNICATIONS: Stakeholder One-on-One Meetings with Technical Team members were completed in June. Additional one-on-one meetings will be scheduled with corridor stakeholders and organizations like Colorado Motor Carriers Association, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, IBM/CU, the CDOT Rail Coordinator, and Aims Community College.

The project team has prepared and distributed a Quarterly Update for stakeholders which describes the project and provides a link to the project Website. In addition, a Communication Packet has been sent to the Local Agencies to help promote the Virtual Public Meeting in August. The Packet includes the following:

- Email Text
- Social Media Text
- Newsletter Text
- Local Agency Website Text
- Flyers/Attachments

Though CDOT has put restrictions on hosting in-person meetings, the project team is happy to support already schedule meetings or events hosted by corridor stakeholders.



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PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The project team has adjusted the schedule to accommodate the delay associated with traffic data collection. If traffic has not returned to 'normal conditions' by August, the project team will utilize alternative means to determine corridor volumes. The project team continues to monitor the project schedule and will communicate to the Coalition if additional delays are anticipated.