

# MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

AUGUST 2009



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#### **INTRODUCTION**

This report contains information regarding traffic volumes and lane usage, bus travel times, revenues and expenditures, law enforcement activities, and incidents which may have impacted operations or revenues during the month of August 2009.

#### 1.0 VOLUMES AND LANE USAGE

During August 2009, recorded use of the I-25 HOV/Express Lanes (including both HOV and toll-paying vehicles), decreased to 316,353. This represents a 1.98% decrease from 322,751 in July and a 1.38% increase from 312,050 in June.

The highest traffic volume recorded since opening was in October 2007, at 355,308.

The August summary of traffic data for both Tolled Express and HOV lanes follows. Data includes weekend and non-peak traffic.

Due to implementation of License Plate Tolling (LPT), the Traffic Data Summary table now displays Express Tolling, Violations, and LPT in separate columns. License plate tolls are presumed to be customers until such time that a bill is not paid. After a period of time, unpaid toll bills move to the violation process.

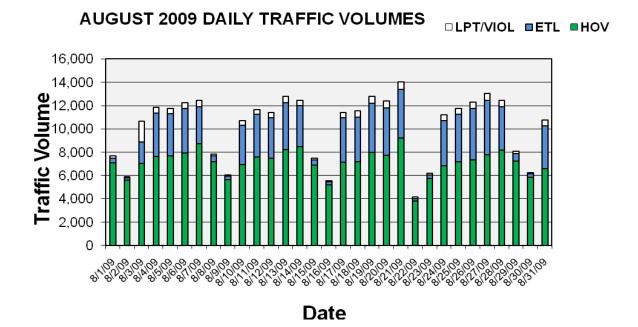
August 2009 Traffic Data Summary											
	Express	HOV	Violations	LPT	Total						
Total Monthly Traffic	82,280	220,656	565	12,852	316,353						
Maximum Daily Traffic	4,630	9,212	37	1,775	14,015						
Average Daily Traffic	3,748	7,645	25	545	11,963						
Avg Weekday AM Peak Hour	453	609	3	55	1,121						
Avg Weekday PM Peak Hour	368	792	2	56	1,219						
Avg Weekday AM Peak Period	1,810	2,438	13	221	4,482						
Avg Weekday PM Peak Period	1,472	3,169	8	226	4,875						

<sup>\* 6:00</sup> AM – 10:00 AM

<sup>\*\*</sup> 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

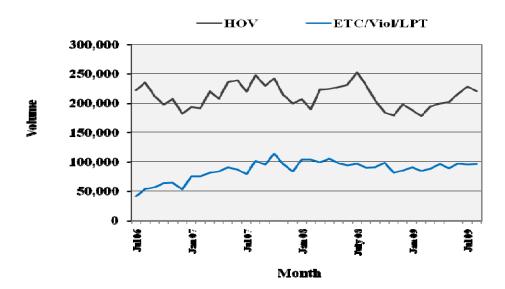


Daily and monthly traffic volumes are illustrated in the following figures. LPT and violation counts have been combined into a third tier for the Daily Traffic Volumes table.



The Monthly Traffic Volumes chart below shows the ETL, Violations, and LPT combined.

#### MONTHLY TRAFFIC VOLUMES

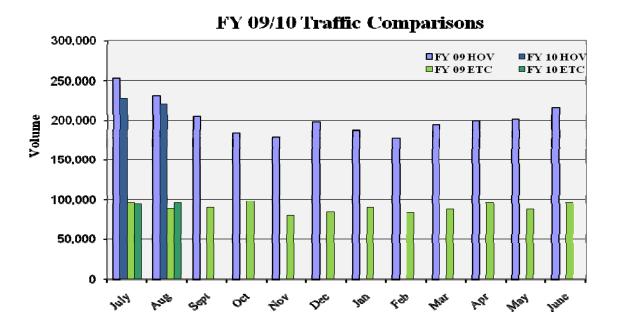




HOV lane usage during August decreased to 220,656; down from 227,868 in July. This amount is down from 230,476 in August 2008 and represents a decrease of 9,820, or 4.26% since one year ago.

Toll lane usage during August increased to 95,697; up from 94,883 in July. August's toll lane usage amount includes ETL, LPT, and violations. This amount is up from 89,249 in August 2008 and represents an increase of 6,448, or 7.22% since one year ago.

Current fiscal year traffic volumes compared to the previous fiscal year's volumes are represented in the following figure.





Detailed data for peak period traffic volumes are found in the following tables.

Morning Rush Period												
		Tota	Avg Per Hour									
Weekday	Express	HOV	Violation	LPT	Total	Express				Total		
Monday	317	2330	4	1509	4160	79	582	1	377	1040		
Tuesday	1839	2444	14	155	4452	460	611	4	39	1113		
Wednesday	1773	2482	12	137	4404	443	620	3	34	1101		
Thursday	1872	2469	11	143	4495	468	617	3	36	1124		
Friday	1410	2239	7	123	3779	352	560	2	31	945		
Monday	1758	2238	11	137	4144	440	560	3	34	1036		
Tuesday	1813	2450	13	142	4418	453	612	3	36	1104		
Wednesday	1647	2207	9	128	3991	412	552	2	32	998		
Thursday	1862	2492	14	148	4516	466	623	4	37	1129		
Friday	1676	2304	14	126	4120	419	576	4	32	1030		
Monday	1836	2382	12	141	4371	459	596	3	35	1093		
Tuesday	1949	2504	14	164	4631	487	626	4	41	1158		
Wednesday	1957	2571	18	147	4693	489	643	4	37	1173		
Thursday	2073	2579	14	178	4844	518	645	4	44	1211		
Friday	1801	2384	16	166	4367	450	596	4	42	1092		
Monday	2057	2495	21	189	4762	514	624	5	47	1190		
Tuesday	2125	2558	12	178	4873	531	640	3	44	1218		
Wednesday	2283	2580	19	183	5065	571	645	5	46	1266		
Thursday	2104	2578	19	179	4880	526	644	5	45	1220		
Friday	1859	2412	10	168	4449	465	603	2	42	1112		
Monday	2002	2498	15	196	4711	500	624	4	49	1178		



	Afternoon Rush Period											
	Total Peak Period Avg Per Hour											
Weekday	Express	HOV	Violation	LPT	Total	Express				Total		
Monday	1231	3002	5	155	4393	308	750	1	39	1098		
Tuesday	1475	3251	5	221	4952	369	813	1	55	1238		
Wednesday	1407	3245	8	212	4872	352	811	2	53	1218		
Thursday	1546	3239	6	250	5041	386	810	2	62	1260		
Friday	1248	3449	5	242	4944	312	862	1	60	1236		
Monday	1286	2902	6	189	4383	322	726	2	47	1096		
Tuesday	1413	3137	9	199	4758	353	784	2	50	1190		
Wednesday	1451	3252	6	212	4921	363	813	2	53	1230		
Thursday	1664	3673	8	252	5597	416	918	2	63	1399		
Friday	1357	3601	9	209	5176	339	900	2	52	1294		
Monday	1546	3137	12	217	4912	386	784	3	54	1228		
Tuesday	1419	2977	5	227	4628	355	744	1	57	1157		
Wednesday	1709	3330	5	279	5323	427	832	1	70	1331		
Thursday	1508	3034	10	279	4831	377	758	2	70	1208		
Friday	1556	3425	17	269	5267	389	856	4	67	1317		
Monday	1418	2708	9	206	4341	354	677	2	52	1085		
Tuesday	1411	2663	5	194	4273	353	666	1	48	1068		
Wednesday	1617	2912	12	216	4757	404	728	3	54	1189		
Thursday	1960	3454	11	293	5718	490	864	3	73	1430		
Friday	1353	3316	9	228	4906	338	829	2	57	1226		
Monday	1331	2843	11	197	4382	333	711	3	49	1096		

The following table represents monthly averages of peak hour traffic during FY 2010.

	AM ETL 7:00-8:00	AM HOV 7:00-8:00	PM HOV 5:00-6:00	PM ETL 5:00-6:00	AM Total 7:00-8:00	PM Total 5:00-6:00	Capacity
Jul 09	711	899	993	598	1,610	1,521	3,000
Aug 09	799	927	1,008	626	1,726	1,635	3,000

Fifteen minute counts at the 19<sup>th</sup> Street exit have been collected since April 2008. Counts are conducted manually only during the first full week of each month, providing a representative sample.

November 2008 recorded the highest counts at 19th Street, with an average of 1,400 vehicles during the rush hour. The August 2009 recorded averages totaled 1,203. The peak 15-minute period during rush hour is from 7:45 to 8:00. Counts at 19<sup>th</sup> street were about the same as they were in summer a year ago.



A table containing 15-minute counts at 19<sup>th</sup> Street follows:

	15-MINUTE COUNTS AT 19 <sup>TH</sup> STREET												
	Monday 3-Aug	Tuesday 4-Aug	Wednesday 5-Aug	Thursday 6-Aug	Friday 7-Aug	Average							
7:00 - 7:15	132	168	141	151	136	146							
7:15 - 7:30	196	206	203	203	194	200							
7:30 - 7:45	217	247	231	256	269	244							
7:45 - 8:00	247	254	278	261	248	258							
8:00 - 8:15	203	194	184	196	157	187							
8:15 - 8:30	161	181	176	191	131	168							

#### 2.0 BUS TRAVEL TIMES

The IGA between CDOT and RTD prescribes triggers to determine if there is any degradation to travel times for buses and carpools. These triggers are:

- Exceeding travel time for more than one bus in an hour (provided the excess is not attributable to a stall, crash and closure of the lane, or special event).
- Exceeding the travel time for more than one day per week for three weeks in a row.
- Predictable patterns.

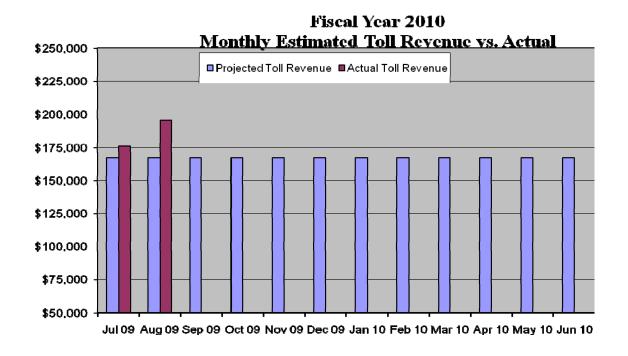
During August, one bus exceeded the allotted travel time. This bus came through at 9:41, well outside of the rush hour. In addition, nine buses were between the 7 minute 45 second travel time and 8 minute and 45 second travel time.

#### 3.0 REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

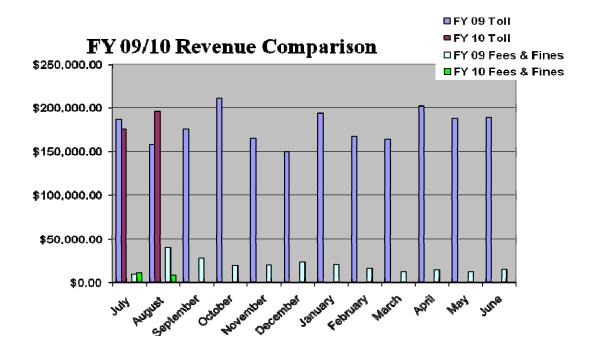
August toll revenues increased to \$195,228.25; up from \$175,778.90 in July. The total of all revenues, including tolls, fees, and fines, was \$204,118. Fees and fines collected this month decreased to \$8,889.75; down from \$11,604.74 in July. The amount of fees and fines collected in August represents 4.35% of August's total revenues. (Reminder: Some revenues that were posted may have been transactions, fees, and fines reconciled from previous months' transactions.)



The following figure shows the projected vs. actual toll revenue to date for Fiscal Year 2010.



Current fiscal year revenues compared to the previous fiscal year's revenues are illustrated in the following figure.





The following table illustrates general administrative expenditures through August 2009.

Due to the September 8<sup>th</sup> furlough, the August business close was moved to September 18<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, the final numbers for the August report may change slightly.

ITEM	Estimated Revenues	Estimated Expenditures	Current Month Actual	Year-to-Date Actual	Remaining	
Administrative Budget						
Revenues						
Interest Earnings from	\$ 216,000		\$ 3,756	\$ 7,479	\$ 208,521	
Carry Forward Balance from Prior Fiscal Year	\$ 1,891,651		\$ -	\$ 1,891,651		
Total Revenues	\$ 2,107,651		\$ 3,756	\$ 1,899,130	\$ 208,521	
Expenditures						
General Engineering Consultant		\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000	
Traffic and Revenue Consultant		\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000	
Financial Advisor		\$ 82,560	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 82,560	
Marketing/Research, Outreach		\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000	
IBTTA Dues & Conference Registration (75% of \$4,000)		\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	
Travel, Meals, Board Expenses		\$ 3,000	\$ 3	\$ 3	\$ 2,997	
CDOT Staff Costs		\$ 87,284	\$ 4,883	\$ 10,185	\$ 77,099	
Total Expenditures		\$ 415,844	\$ 4,886	\$ 10,188	\$ 405,656	



The next table illustrates expenses specific only to the I-25/HOV Express Lanes.

ІТЕМ	Estimated Revenues	Estimated Expenditures		Current Month Actual		Year-to-Date Actual		Remaining	
I -25 Express Lanes									
Revenues									
Estimated Toll Revenues	\$ 2,000,000			\$	195,228	\$	374,326	\$	1,625,675
Estimated Misc. Revenues	\$ 100,000			\$	8,890	\$	20,634	\$	79,366
Interest Earnings	\$ 86,500			\$	6,964	\$	13,201		
Loan from Transportation Commission	\$ -			\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Carry Forward Balance from Prior Fiscal Year	\$ 3,251,834			\$	-	\$	3,251,834		
Total Revenues	\$ 5,438,334			\$	211,082	\$	408,161	\$	5,030,173
<b>Expenditures</b>									
Snow Plow Operations (T-P Enterprises)		\$	455,575	\$	-	\$	21,730	\$	433,845
Colorado State Patrol		\$	75,000	\$	-	\$	5,975	\$	69,025
E-470 Oversight, Management, & Operations		\$	430,000	\$	36,424	\$	36,424	\$	393,576
E-470 Maintenance Tech.		\$	83,166	\$	8,977	\$	8,977	\$	74,189
Non-revenue transponders		\$	5,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,000
IBTTA Dues (25% of \$4,000)		\$	1,000			\$	-		
Marketing/ Outreach		\$	10,300	\$	-	\$	-	\$	10,300
User Survey		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
CDOT Staff Costs		\$	68,731	\$	2,156	\$	5,040	\$	63,691
TC Loan Repayment		\$	301,822	\$	-	\$	-	\$	301,822
Contingency for Major Improvements		\$	400,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	400,000
Board Contingency		\$	250,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	250,000
Equipment Replacement Plan						\$	-		
1. Gates		\$	105,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	105,000
2. Variable Message Sign Upgrades		\$	1,485	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,485
3. Cameras		\$	8,994	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,994
Region 6 Maintenance Costs		\$	129,867	\$	5,631	\$	5,631	\$	124,236
Courtesy Patrol		\$	120,000	\$	9,862	\$	9,862	\$	110,139
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		\$	2,445,940	\$	63,049	\$	93,639	\$	2,352,301

## 4.0 INCIDENTS

During the month of August, no major incidents occurred.

## 5.0 ENFORCEMENT

Law enforcement activities during FY 2010 are shown in the table below.

	COLORADO STATE PATROL MANUAL CITATIONS											
	Total	Toll	HOV	Hazardous	Seatbelt	Other						
Jul 09	103	11	9	22	3	24	0 felony, 0 misd.					
Aug 09	122	22	22	24	7	32	0 felony, 0 misd.					



## 6.0 OPERATIONAL ISSUES

During the month of August, no operational issues occurred.