

Project Update

The summer season is underway with more visitors to the region and additional traffic on the roadways. With ongoing commitment to the project goal of minimizing impacts and inconvenience to the community, motorists, businesses, and the downtown area during construction, the project will continue to have several night closures. The project remains on schedule to be fully operational by winter 2017.

Split Lane Configuration – Mid-June

As part of Phase 1 for the Interstate 25/ Cimarron project, a temporary split lane reconfiguration on southbound I-25 between Cimarron Street/US 24 and south Nevada Avenue/Tejon Street will be required mid-June. The left two outside-through lanes of southbound I-25 will split onto existing northbound pavement and the right lane of southbound I-25 will split on to the existing southbound pavement. Northbound I-25 will shift to the east, utilizing the shoulder.

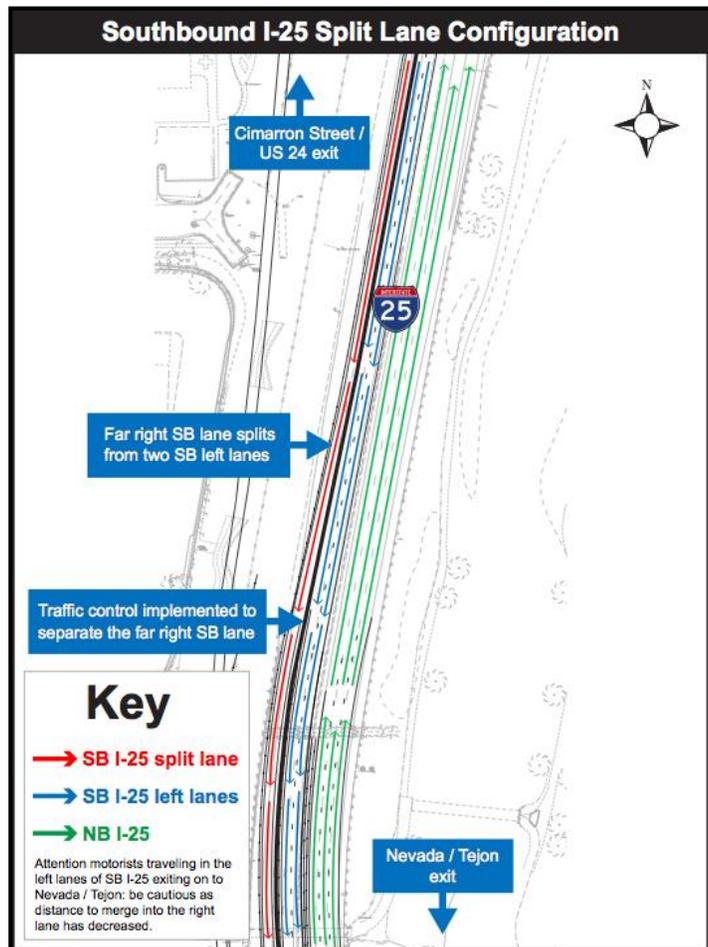
This split lane configuration will be in place for several months to level out lane elevations and prepare for the final alignment of I-25.

Motorists traveling on southbound I-25 need to be cautious when exiting on to south Nevada Avenue/Tejon Street as the distance to merge into the right lane has decreased. If possible, prepare to exit just north of the Cimarron/US 24 exit.

Overnight Interstate Full Closures

Ahead: Prior to implementing this split lane configuration, a couple of overnight interstate full closures will take place in late May/early June:

- A full closure of northbound I-25 (Cimarron Street/US 24 to south Nevada Avenue/Tejon Street) to shift traffic; scheduled for late May.
- A full closure of southbound I-25 (Cimarron Street/US 24 to south Nevada Avenue/Tejon Street) to install traffic control for the split, restripe and move barrier; scheduled for mid-June.





Phase 1 Look-Ahead (more details available in weekly eAlerts) Sign up at www.cotrip.org, and then click on the bright green telephone. Scroll down to the "Projects" list for I-25 and Cimarron Interchange.

Various overnight lane restrictions and traffic realignments on I-25 and Cimarron Street/US 24 will continue to allow for removals, restriping and paving activities; to set barrier; and for bridge construction. This phase is anticipated to continue through late winter 2016.

- Eastbound Cimarron Street between I-25 and Sierra Madre St. will continue to be reduced to one lane throughout the summer.
- Westbound Cimarron Street between I-25 and Sierra Madre St. will continue to be reduced to two lanes throughout the summer.

Additional activities to expect in summer 2016:

June:

- A full overnight closure of northbound I-25 (Cimarron Street/US 24 to south Nevada Avenue/Tejon Street) to prepare for split lane configuration.
- A full overnight closure of southbound I-25 (Cimarron Street/US 24 to south Nevada Avenue/Tejon Street) to install traffic control for the split, restripe and move barrier.
- Overnight lane restrictions on westbound US 24 to switch traffic onto new pavement.
- Lane restrictions on southbound I-25 for paving operations.

July:

- Full overnight closures of US 24 at the I-25 Bridge to set I-25 Phase 1 girders.
- Full overnight closures on Cimarron Street (between Sierra Madre and US 24) to set girders for the Cimarron over Fountain Creek bridge.
- Lane restrictions on US 24 for shift to permanent lane configuration west of I-25.

August:

- A full overnight closure of I-25 southbound off-ramp for permanent alignment across permanent bridge; scheduled for August 2016.

You Can Also Expect:

- Speed reduction to 55 mph on I-25 between Colorado Avenue and south Nevada/Tejon Street and speed reduction to 30 mph on US 24 between 8th Street and I-25
- Narrowed lanes and reduced shoulders
- Three lanes maintained northbound and southbound I-25 during the day

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