



I-25: The New Pueblo Freeway

Ilex Street to City Center Drive

I-25 ILEX STREET TO CITY CENTER DRIVE

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) began work on the I-25 Ilex Street to City Center Drive project in July 2015. The project consists of replacing bridges on I-25 between Ilex Street and City Center Drive in Pueblo. Work also includes rehabilitation of bridges on northbound I-25 over Santa Fe Avenue (US 50C), I-25 over Indiana Avenue, on Santa Fe Avenue over the Arkansas River, and on Northern Avenue and Mesa Avenue over I-25. Local roadway improvements are included at D Street, Ilex Street, Bennett Street, Clark Street, and along Santa Fe Avenue.

PROJECT PROGRESS

Gruma Drive & Consolidated Main Line (CML):

Crews have made the following progress:

- Installed new piles, footing and columns for bridge over Gruma Drive and the CML
- Continued embankment operations and construction of the new Interstate

Spring work includes installation of Mechanically Stabilized Earth panel walls and construction of the new Gruma Drive and CML bridge structure.

Phelps Creek Trail:

Crews have made the following progress:

- Completed design of new Phelps Creek bridge structure

Spring through fall work for the Phelps Creek Trail bridge includes embankment operations, installation of foundation pilings and MSE walls.



Newly paved D Street extension below I-25

D Street/Ilex Street:

Crews have made the following progress:

- Nearing completion of the Bennett Street cul-de-sac
- Began roadway work on D Street and Clark Street west of Santa Fe Avenue

Spring work includes completion of new intersection improvements at D Street and Santa Fe Avenue and grading and paving work for the northbound I-25 D Street on ramp.

US 50 C Green Truss Bridge:

Crews have made the following progress:

- Completed deck demolition and heat straightening of steelwork



US 50 C Green Truss Bridge heat straightening before and after

Spring work includes structural rehabilitation and placement of a new concrete bridge deck.

Mesa Avenue Bridge over I-25:

Crews have made the following progress:

- Installed a six-foot pedestrian fence along the sidewalk perimeter
- Replaced damaged concrete and paved the bridge surface with new asphalt
- Rehabilitated the bridge substructure

Northern Avenue Bridge over I-25:

Crews have made the following progress:

- Installed a traffic shift on Northern Avenue over I-25 in order to work on inner/central lanes of the bridge
- Bridge deck repair has started

Spring work includes another traffic shift, substructure repairs and continued bridge deck repairs.

Indiana Avenue Bridge over I-25:

Crews have made the following progress:

- Completed demolition of existing southbound bridge deck on I-25 over Indiana Avenue, widened bridge deck, placed new concrete, and shifted all I-25 traffic over Indiana onto new southbound bridge deck
 - Began demolition of northbound bridge deck
- (continued on other side)*

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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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(continued from other side)

Spring work includes pouring a new concrete deck for the NB I-25 bridge over Indiana Avenue and substructure repairs.

Additional Work:

In the area of Kelly Avenue, embankment and wall work continues for the new City Center Drive off-ramp.

SCHEDULE AND TRAFFIC IMPACTS

It is anticipated that in late April the new D Street extension will be open to traffic, in a temporary configuration, and Ilex Street will be permanently closed. D Street West of Santa Fe Avenue will connect with the new D street extension, located on the east side of Santa Fe Avenue.

Normal working hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, with nighttime and weekend work as needed.

The speed limit will be reduced in the construction zone for the safety of the public, as well as construction crews working along the highway. Please use caution and stay alert while traveling through the construction zone.

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