

# North I-25 EIS

RCC/TAC Meeting

February 25, 2010



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## Agenda

- Introductions and Welcome
- Meeting Goals
- Recap
  - Preferred Alternative
  - Phasing
- Executive Oversight Committee Guidance
- Phasing Discussion
- Next Steps



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## Introductions and Welcome



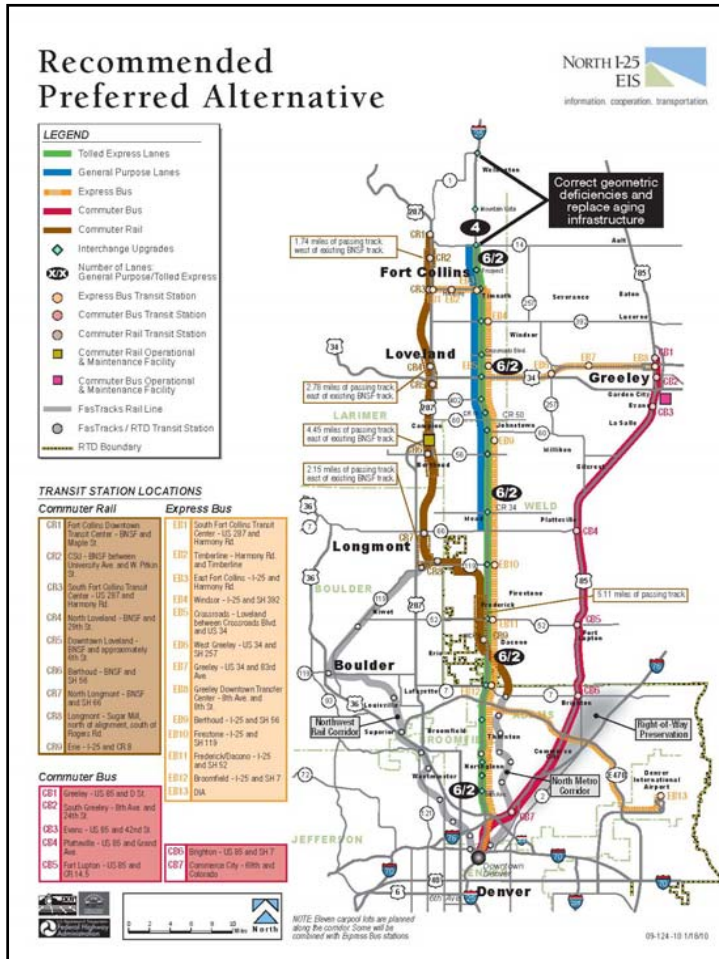
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## Meeting Goals

- Updates on the project
- Respond to your questions and suggestions on phasing
- Finalize phasing

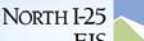


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## Preferred Alternative Refinement

- Crossroads Express Bus Station
  - Two sites evaluated in DEIS
  - Met with Loveland
  - Site south of Kendall Parkway and west of I-25
  - Preferred site allows for TOD opportunities



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## Preferred Alternative Refinement

- Commuter Rail
  - Fort Collins passing track implications
  - Longmont passing track implications
  - Longmont connection to Northwest Rail



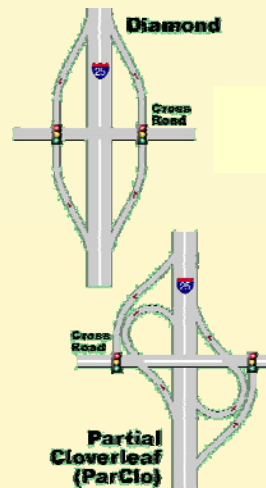
## Preferred Alternative Refinement

- Maintenance Facility
  - Two rail sites evaluated in the DEIS
    - Berthoud site selected based on strong community support
  - Two bus sites evaluated in the DEIS
    - Greeley site selected to minimize out-of-direction travel



## Preferred Alternative Refinement

- SH 7
  - DEIS recommended diamond with space for future partial cloverleaf
  - FEIS traffic requires partial cloverleaf to achieve LOS D at the ramp terminals



## Phasing



# RCC/TAC Option Phase 1

Discussed October 1



LEGEND		2005 Dollars		
	Commuter Bus & Stations	\$25M		NFR Separate Action Interchange Upgrade (No-Action Alternative)
	Initial I-25 Bus & 4 Stations	\$45M		FasTracks Rail Line
	Commuter Rail ROW Preservation	\$30M		Existing Interchange
	Reconstruct Mainline and Widen Cross Section, General Purpose Lanes and Interchange Upgrades	\$327M		
	DRCOG RTP Tolleed Express Lanes and Interchange Upgrades	\$213M		
	Additional DRCOG RTP Tolleed Express Lanes and Interchange Upgrades	\$80M-\$100M		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$720M-\$740M</b>		

# Modified RCC/TAC Option Phase 1

Discussed October 1



LEGEND		2005 Dollars		
	Commuter Bus & Stations	\$25M		NFR Separate Action Interchange Upgrade (No-Action Alternative)
	Initial I-25 Bus & 4 Stations	\$45M		FasTracks Rail Line
	Commuter Rail ROW Preservation	\$30M		Existing Interchange
	Add Continuous Access/Decal Lanes Widen to 6 Lane Cross Section Interchange Upgrades	\$327M		
	DRCOG RTP Tolleed Express Lanes and Interchange Upgrades	\$213M		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$640M</b>		

## Phasing

- Questions and Comments Raised at October RCC/TAC
  - Would it make sense to operate the widened section of I-25 between SH 66 and SH 60 as TELs?
  - Extend the metro area TELs to 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - Can we move forward with two phases instead of three?



## Executive Oversight Committee Guidance

- Preferred Alternative
  - Expressed some concern over the size of the Preferred Alternative
  - Encouraged by collaboration and consensus of communities
  - Encouraged by project progress
  - Approved Preferred Alternative for FEIS



## Executive Oversight Committee Guidance

- Phase 1
  - Approved
  - Supported design and construction of lanes to accommodate TELs
  - Recommended operation of new lanes as TELs in Phase 1
    - No future controversial conversion
    - Assist with future funding (potential bonding)
    - Act as queue jump for I-25 Express Bus



## Executive Oversight Committee Guidance

- Extension of TELs in Metro Denver
  - Preliminary cost estimates indicate 104<sup>th</sup>
  - Strongly encouraged extending TELs to 120<sup>th</sup>
  - New cost estimates in April
  - Planning Environmental Linkage study in the metro area
  - Potential use of shoulders – separate project





# Executive Oversight Committee Guidance

- Two versus Three Phases
  - Three phases required
    - Funding scenarios need to be at least somewhat reasonable and based on past history
    - The likely end date needs to be clearly disclosed to the public
  - Modify messaging for phases 2 and 3
  - Discussion on handout



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## Finalized Phase 1

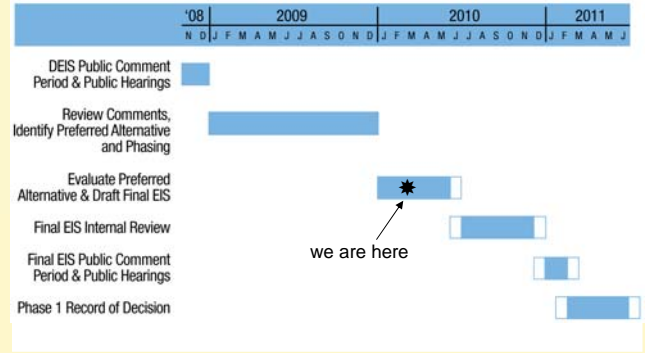


# Concurrence on Finalized Phase 1



# Next Steps

## Schedule



## Web Site

- New web address  
<http://www.coloradodot.info/projects/north-i-25-eis>
- TAC/RCC page removed
- Contact:  
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