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## **U.S. 50 IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY IN FOWLER AREA**

**PUEBLO/OTERO COUNTIES** – Improvements are underway on U.S. 50 between Fowler and the Boone area (mile 352-336).

The Colorado Department of Transportation project includes rotomilling and asphalt paving, bridge work, new bridge and guardrails, seeding, mulching and striping.

New sidewalk curb ramps were constructed at several intersections in Fowler during the first phase of the project in July.

Bridge repairs are taking place at the Farmers Oxford Ditch, just west of Fowler, through Friday, August 5, requiring one lane of alternating traffic from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Ten to 15 minute delays should be expected. Vehicles wider than 10 feet also will be restricted from traveling through this work zone, 24 hours a day. The suggested detour route is via SH 96 and SH 167 (Fowler).

Rotomilling and paving operations begin in mid-August. Flaggers will alternate a single lane of traffic through the work zone from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. *Drivers should anticipate delays between 15 and 30 minutes*. The speed limit will be reduced to 40 mph and vehicles wider than 12 feet will be restricted from traveling through the work zone during project hours.

Work will not be scheduled during the State Fair and Labor Day weekend (August 26 – September 5).

Lafarge West, Inc. of Fort Collins, CO. is the contractor for the \$3.2 million project. It is scheduled for completion in early October 2005.