C-470: Wadsworth to I-70 - Website FAQ

Website: [https://www.codot.gov/projects/c470-wadsworth-i70-nepa](https://www.codot.gov/projects/c470-wadsworth-i70-nepa)

Why is the project needed?
The purpose of this Project is to improve corridor travel reliability and safety, reduce recurring congestion, decrease travel delay, and improve operational performance on C-470 between Wadsworth Boulevard and I-70.

What is the Project Area?
The project covers C-470 from Wadsworth Boulevard to the I-70 interchange. The area is depicted here.

What improvements are being considered?
Potential corridor improvements include:
- Safety and operational improvements in all lanes
- Express lanes through the corridor
- Improvements to interchanges along the corridor
- Wildlife crossings
- Environmental mitigation
- Technology and system management upgrades
- Bicycle and pedestrian improvements.

What is the Project Status?
- The project is currently working towards the preliminary design and environmental analysis phase. The design team is working in parallel with an HPTE Level 2 Traffic and Revenue study through 2020 to advance the concept design of the Proposed Action prior to NEPA.
- NEPA has not yet been initiated.

What is the current project timeline?
The current project timeline is depicted here:

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=? = Estimated procurement & construction start is unknown as funding has not been secured.
What is the project background?

- Three background studies are relevant to development of this Project:
  - WestConnect Coalition PEL Study (2018)
  - HPTE Express Lanes Master Plan (ELMP) Study (2020).

- For more information related to the Project background, please refer to the C-470: Wadsworth Boulevard to I-70 Project PEL to NEPA Transition Document available on the project website.

Who is the CDOT Project Manager? How can I contact the project team?
Benjamin Davis, CDOT R1 West Program, is the Project Manager. The project team can be contacted at the project email: c470wadsworthto70@gmail.com.
Is there currently construction funding planned for this project?
Funding is not currently identified for construction of this project. CDOT’s Transportation Commission designated funding taking the project through the preliminary design and NEPA phase. CDOT and HPTE are actively pursuing funding strategies to implement recommended improvements on the corridor.

How will the public be involved?
The Public Involvement Plan for the project includes a range of communication and engagement methods, including:

- Website
- Social media
- Email notifications, project updates and meeting announcements
- Regional media releases and public service announcements
- Traditional/Earned media
- Owned communication channels and newsletters
- Public meetings and open houses
- Virtual Meetings

Where can I find information on Colorado’s Transportation Investment Priorities?
- An overview of CDOT’s active projects can be found at:
  [https://www.codot.gov/projects](https://www.codot.gov/projects).

- The Statewide Transportation Plan can be found at: