# I-70 EASTBOUND OVER GARRISON STREET PROJECT

**NEPA** and Preliminary Design Project

#### PROJECT PURPOSE

 Widen the I-70 bridge over Garrison Street in order to lengthen the area to merge from the Kipling Street ramp onto eastbound I-70

#### PROJECT HISTORY

• The I-70/Kipling Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study identified the need for this improvement and recommended it as an early action project.

## **BENEFITS**

- Longer acceleration lane allows additional time for traffic to merge onto I-70, improving traffic safety and operations for eastbound I-70 upstream and downstream of the Kipling Street interchange.
- With improved merging operations, vehicle queuing is expected to be reduced on the I-70/Kipling eastbound on ramp.

## CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

- Construction began in fall 2016
- » Widen the Garrison bridge [completed]
- » Reconstruct part of a sound wall [completed]
- » Remove concrete guardrail [completed]
- » Rehabilitate concrete roadway/shoulder paving [completed]
- » Relocate a light pole and drainage inlets [completed]
- » Replace overhead sign structures [completed]
- » Resurface existing bridge deck

# Separate Ongoing CDOT Project

Construction expected to be completed in summer 2017

