



Long-term closure of Exit 239 on-ramp to I-70

What

The Colorado Boulevard on-ramp to westbound I-70 (the Exit 239 on-ramp at the west end of Idaho Springs) will close for a few months as part of the work being done on the Westbound I-70 Mountain Express Lane project.

When

This on-ramp will close the evening of Sunday, Feb. 23, and will remain closed for about four months.

Why

With rock scaling work now complete on the mountain slope above this on-ramp, the focus now turns to drilling the holes and installing the anchors to hold the rockfall mesh that will be installed this year. There are nearly 1,000 holes to drill, and this work involves the use of large equipment on the slope that could potentially knock down rocks onto vehicles below.

Other Details

Besides the obvious benefit of maintaining public safety, keeping this on-ramp closed while this work is done eliminates the need to close the ramp each morning and open it again each night, shaving time off the work schedule.

To reach westbound I-70, drivers can go east on Colorado Boulevard to 13th Avenue (Colorado Highway 103) and enter the highway at the Exit 240 interchange. Colorado Boulevard drivers can also go west on Stanley Road and use the new bridge over Clear Creek to connect with Fall River Road before continuing west into Dumont to access westbound I-70.

See detour map on next page.

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Accessing westbound I-70 during Exit 239 on-ramp closure

WESTBOUND I-70 MOUNTAIN EXPRESS LANE PROJECT



**EXIT 239 ON-RAMP
CLOSED**

DETOUR OPTION 1

- East on Colorado Blvd. to 13th Ave. (Colorado Highway 103)
- Enter westbound I-70 at the Exit 240 interchange

DETOUR OPTION 2

- West on Stanley Road and cross new Fall River Road bridge
- Continue west on Fall River Road to access westbound I-70