



## Media Alert

# CDOT Proposes Eliminating One of the Biggest Traffic Bottlenecks on I-70 in the Mountains

- What:** To eliminate one of the worst traffic bottlenecks on the I-70 Mountain Corridor, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) proposes widening the interstate to three eastbound lanes between Idaho Springs and the base of Floyd Hill, enlarging the eastbound bore of the tunnels and addressing safety issues on the eastbound highway curves between the tunnels and Floyd Hill. If the project receives the federally required approvals, construction would begin in the spring of 2013, and will be open to traffic by the end of 2013. During this construction period, eastbound interstate traffic would be rerouted around the Twin Tunnels.
- When:** CDOT will host a public meeting to provide information on the proposed improvements and solicit input from the public and other stakeholders on Tuesday, September 27, 5:30-7:30 p.m. A presentation is scheduled at 6 p.m.
- Where:** Buffalo Bar  
1617 Miner Street  
Idaho Springs
- Who:** The CDOT project team, including transportation planners and engineers, will present information and answer questions from the public
- Visuals:**
- Public discussion and questions
  - Maps of the proposed project
  - Interviews with CDOT representatives
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