



CDOT: Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvements Project
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Construction Begins on Colorado 94 Safety Improvements

COLORADO SPRINGS — Colorado Department of Transportation and contractor, SEMA Construction, Inc. will begin construction on Phase 1 of the Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvement Project (MAMSIP) on CO 94 starting in October. Construction will focus on expanding the westbound passing lane between North Franceville Coal Mine Road and US 24 as well as installing a new fiber line from US 24 to Enoch Road. This phase of the project is expected to be complete in Spring 2021 (weather dependent).

“We are excited to get started on the construction of the MAMSIP projects. The Colorado 94 project will ensure greater efficiency and safety of military personnel, their families, the overall community and with transport of equipment to and from Peterson Air Force Base, Schriever Air Force Base and Fort Carson,” said CDOT Regional Transportation Director Richard Zamora.

Project A: Colorado 94 Safety Improvements Overview:

MAMSIP is comprised of four discrete road projects in the Pikes Peak region, all of which are strategically important in the movement of personnel and equipment between nationally significant military facilities. One of the four projects is the CO 94 Safety Improvements. The addition of this infrastructure will improve visibility and allow for the safe passing of vehicles along this stretch of highway which has seen several fatalities in recent years.



Westbound passing lane



Blaney Road and SH 94

Colorado Highway 94:

The CO 94 project comprises of three elements, each aimed at improving safety and efficiency along the corridor:

- Addition of a westbound passing lane, increasing efficiency and safety conditions between North Franceville Coal Mine Road and US 24
- Addition of an eastbound turn lane between North Franceville Coal Mine Road and Blaney Road, and installing a signalized “jug handle” intersection at Blaney Road, thereby removing slow moving traffic from the passing lane, and greatly improving efficiency of eastbound traffic.
- Installation of fiber optic cables from US 24 to Enoch Road, enabling future installation of ‘Intelligent Transportation System’ elements along the corridor and also enabling high speed communications for future planned development

CO 94 Safety Benefits:

The safety enhancements relate to the potential to reduce crashes, improve infrastructure, and address physical deficiencies that contribute to crashes in the corridor. CDOT conducted a safety assessment for the corridor to evaluate the magnitude and nature of safety problems and analyze the causes of crashes. The proposed transportation improvements are mitigation measures to reduce crashes and improve safety in the corridor. These improvements include a westbound passing lane, intersection signalization, and improved left turn movement to address and significantly reduce the number and severity of traffic accidents.

Travel Impacts – October / November 2020

Eastbound and westbound traffic will be shifted slightly to the south to provide crews a safe workspace to expand the westbound passing lane between mile points 4.1 and 5.2. Minimal impact is expected.



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