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CDOT: Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvement Project
South I-25 / CO94 / S. Academy Boulevard / Charter Oak Ranch Road

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Traffic Advisory / Media Alert

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Mobile Drilling Operation on I-25 / CO 94 Safety Improvement Project Requires Overnight Lane Closures

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO – Motorists will see a mobile drilling operation along Interstate 25 to continue advancements of the project design. Drilling operations at selected locations help determine the geologic engineering characteristics. This allows the designers to properly determine the type, size and number of foundation types required and to what depth.

Overnight closures will be Monday through Thursday, 8:30 p.m. - 5 a.m. nightly. Speed reductions to 65 mph will be in place. Motorists should expect delays. Dates of work are weather permitting.

Northbound or Southbound I-25 Single Lane Closures at I-25

8:30 p.m. - 5 a.m., Monday, April 27 through Thursday, April 30, nightly

- Single southbound or northbound lane and outside shoulder
- I-25 between Mesa Ridge Parkway and Santa Fe Avenue (milepost 128 - 132)

PROJECT INFORMATION:

I-25 Safety Improvement project is part of Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvement Program Grant and includes:

- Replacement of two bridges crossing over South Academy Boulevard
- Widening of both inside and outside shoulders and installing outside guardrails
- Concrete surface treatment overlay to provide an improved riding surface for this 7.5-mile segment
- Installation of median barriers the entire length of this corridor
- Work on four bridges along the corridor and
- Installation of I-25 southbound deceleration lane at the interchange with CO 16

Collectively, this work to the I-25 corridor will significantly improve safety through reduction in accidents, injuries, and fatalities. Replacement of bridges which have exceeded their useful life, as well as work to minor bridges along the corridor, will reduce scheduled and unscheduled maintenance and repairs on these infrastructure assets. In addition, introduction of I-25 southbound deceleration lane at the CO 16 interchange will contribute to greater efficiency of vehicular movement. Undertaking these improvements to I-25 will effectively improve mobility and safety outcomes along one of the state's busiest interstate corridors while concurrently ensuring economic vitality provided by this crucial north to south route is maintained.

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MILITARY ACCESS, MOBILITY & SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) has initiated a program to deliver more efficient and safer mobility along I-25, Colorado Highway 94, South Academy Boulevard, and Charter Oak Ranch Road, enabling economic stability and development. The Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvement program is funded through an \$18 million BUILD grant award from the US Department of Transportation. The delivery of these improvements will strengthen and enhance the redundancy of strategic movement between the nationally significant El Paso County military installations of Fort Carson, Peterson Air Force Base, Cheyenne Mountain Station, and Schriever Air Force Base.

REMEMBER: SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

- Do not speed in work zones. Obey the posted speed limits.
- Stay Alert! Expect the unexpected.
- Watch for workers. Drive with caution.
- Don't change lanes unnecessarily.
- Avoid using mobile devices such as phones while driving in work zones.
- Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you.
- Be especially alert at night while driving in work zones.
- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.
- Allow ample space between you and the car in front of you.
- Anticipate lane shifts and merge when directed to do so.
- Be patient!

COVID-19

Safe transportation infrastructure is essential for emergency first responders and freight drivers as Colorado navigates the COVID-19 pandemic. With that in mind, road maintenance and construction continues on CDOT projects with social distancing and other health safety measures to reduce COVID-19 exposure on the worksite. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment announced [guidelines for construction activities](#). The public is urged to join the campaign for #DoingMyPartCO by practicing social distancing, wearing face masks, staying at home when possible, and avoiding nonessential travel. With fewer vehicles on the roads, CDOT crews will be able to work more efficiently and safely.

WHOLE SYSTEM. WHOLE SAFETY

The CDOT *Whole System – Whole Safety* initiative is designed to heighten safety awareness by taking a systematic statewide approach to safety combining the benefits of CDOT's operations, programs addressing driving behaviors, and our built environment. The goal is to improve the safety of Colorado's transportation network by reducing the rate and severity of crashes and improving the safety of all transportation modes. The program has one simple mission—to get everyone home safely.

ABOUT CDOT

CDOT has approximately 3,000 employees located throughout Colorado and manages more than 23,000 lane miles of highway and 3,429 bridges. CDOT also manages grant partnerships with a range of other agencies, including metropolitan planning organizations, local governments and airports. It also administers Bustang, the state-owned and operated interregional express service. Governor Polis has charged CDOT to further build on the state's intermodal mobility options.

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