



Berthoud to Johnstown
Open House

**Department of Transportation** 

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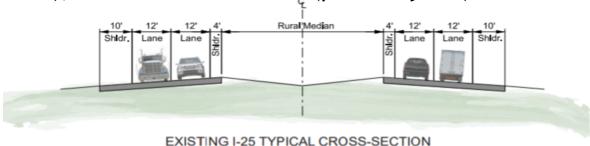


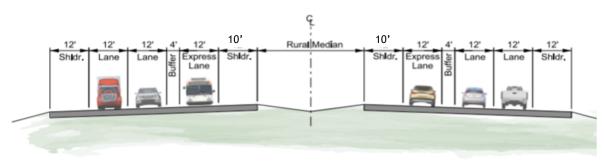


## **Corridor Scope**

## I-25 North: CO 56 to Prospect

- Widening I-25 from south of CO 56 to Prospect (Ft. Collins) for almost 20 miles in each direction
- Increases safety
  - a) Fix horizontal and vertical road curves
  - b) Constructing wider shoulders 10-12' inside shoulders (presently 4'), 12' outside shoulders (presently 10')





PROPOSED I-25 TYPICAL CROSS-SECTION





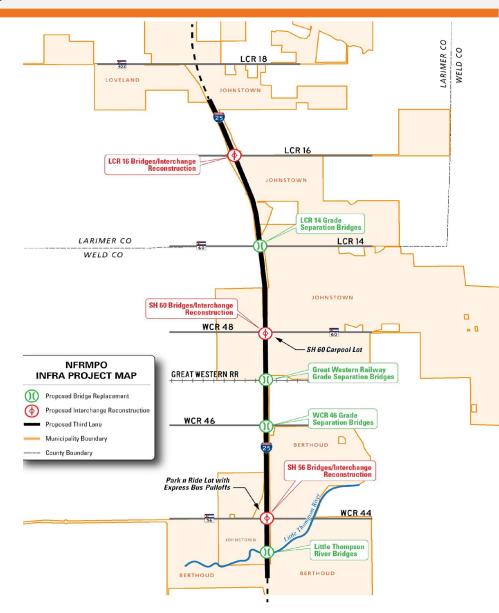


## Project Scope

## I-25 Segment 6: CO 56 to CO 402

Segment 6 is widening I-25 from south of CO 56 to CO 402 to increase safety and add an express lane in each direction

- a) Traverses through Berthoud, Johnstown, Larimer County, Loveland, and Weld County
- b) Completely rebuilding CO 56 and CO 60 interchanges
- c) Reconstructing 8 other bridges
- d) Rehabbing and widening GWRR bridge





# What is a Construction Manager / General Contractor (CM/GC)?

- Contractor is part of the design process to provide feedback on:
  - Constructability expertise
  - Cost estimating and market forecasting
  - Innovations
  - Schedule
  - Risk (reduces future change orders)
- Allows for:
  - Construction to start while design is ongoing
  - Scope flexibility based on funding
  - First to be in line to bid on each construction package



- Important on multi-year projects to take advantage of:
  - Advancing work as quickly as possible
  - Advancing seasonal work

\*\*\*Design for entire Segment 6 corridor is 95% complete





## Packaging I-25 Segment 6 Update

### Construction Packages (CP's)

- CP 1 (Under Construction)
  - 42" Waterline Relocation
  - SB Little Thompson Bridge Reconstruction
  - SB SH 56 On Ramp
- CP 1.5 (Under Construction)
  - Grading for SH 56 Interchange
  - Substructure for SH 56 bridges
  - NB Ramp Construction
  - Park-and-Ride Pedestrian Underpass
  - Utility Relocations (Gas, Irrigation and Fiber Optic)







## Packaging I-25 Segment 6 Update

### Construction Packages (CP's)

- CP 4 (Construction Oct. 2020 Q2 2023)
  - All bridge structures
  - Critical and Seasonal Utility relocations
  - Seasonal Work flexibility
- CP 2/3 (Construction Q1 2021 Q4 2023)
  - Remaining project scope
  - Leverage economy of scale





## Colorado Highway 56 Interchange

#### **Safety**

- Most dangerous area on corridor
- Flipping the interchange (like SH 402 interchange)
- Smoothing vertical and horizontal curves
- Roundabout will be added on both sides of CO 56 to increase safety

#### Carpool/Future Park n Ride

- The carpool lot will be relocated and expanded to the NE quadrant
- EZ Chargers added at carpooling lot
- Strong coordination with Developer (Turion), Berthoud, and Division of Transit and Rail





CO 56 looking east



## Colorado Highway 56 Future Park-n-Ride

- Constructing structural elements for future Park n Ride
  - Pedestrian underpass
  - Widened bridges
- Median-loaded so users will be picked up in the middle of I-25
  - Safer
  - More efficient
  - Similar to Kendall Parkway to the North
- Timing of opening is dependent on demand and funding (will not be part of this project)





## Why a Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) at Colorado Highway 60

#### **Safety**

- Eliminates T-bone accidents because intersections are at a skew
- Reduces free-movement left turns
- Increases free left turn movements
- Eliminating the frontage road crossing at CO 60

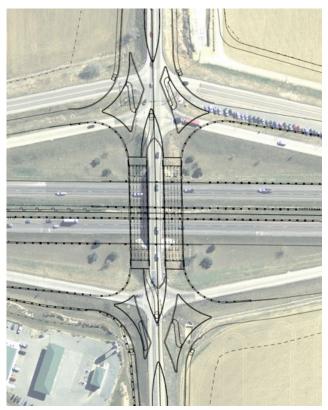
#### **Efficiency**

- Applicable for areas that see directional traffic (morning has outward and evening has inward traffic)
- Eliminates a traffic signal so much more efficient

#### <u>Other</u>

- Reduces the right of way footprint do not need as much land
- Minimizes construction disruption due to bridge placements between current bridges
- Allows for future flexibility because it can be widened





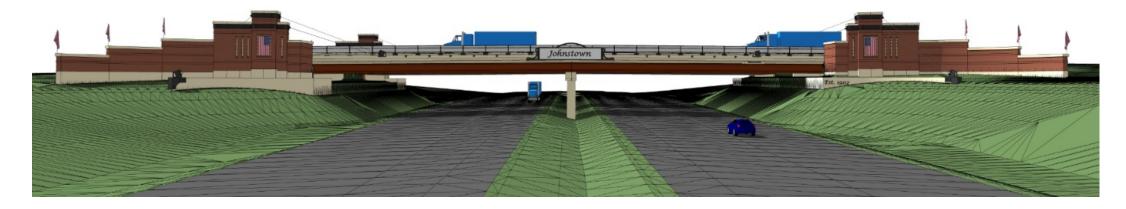




#### **Construction Coordination**

- Colorado Highway 56 Max 140-day closure for bridge construction and tie ins (most likely to happen late summer 2021/fall 2021)
- Colorado Highway 60 Up to 3 Weekend closures for bridge construction and tie-ins will be necessary to complete interchange construction
- Detour routes will be using state and local roads
- Emergency Management, school bus, and mail coordination is ongoing







## Traffic Impacts



Starting in November 2020, motorists will notice shoulder closures and lane shifts, along the southbound outside shoulder of I-25.

Starting in late winter 2021 (Q1), motorists will notice an increase in lane shifts to accommodate construction of the SB lanes.





# Frontage Road Closure Timing

#### General Info:

- Frontage Road Closures
  - Between CO 56/WCR 44 and WCR 46 was closed Jan.
  - Between Valley Road and CO 56/WCR44 was closed July 27
- Phased closure between CO 60A/LCR 14 and the Valley Road Underpass (south of the Little Thompson Bridges)
- Frontage road will remain open north of LCR 14 due to number and configuration of business accesses
- Access will be maintained to utility owners, property owners, ditch riders, etc.

## January 6<sup>th</sup> & July 27<sup>th</sup> Closure



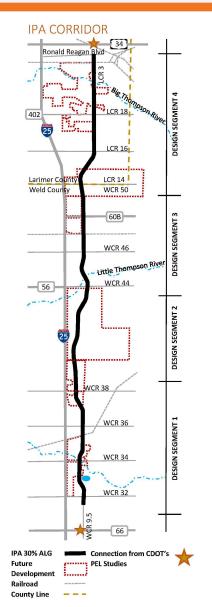
#### **Phased Closures**





## High Plains Blvd Project

- Regional connectivity is a major concern along the I-25 corridor, and this planned roadway would allow for an alternative to I-25.
- CDOT, Weld County, Larimer County, the Towns of Mead, Berthoud, Johnstown, and Loveland, have collectively planned for a new north/south arterial roadway to help mitigate traffic congestion on Interstate 25 (I-25) in the future.
- To learn more visit: <a href="https://www.weldgov.com/departments/public\_works/tr">https://www.weldgov.com/departments/public\_works/tr</a> ansportation\_planning/high\_plains\_boulevard





## Future High Plains Blvd Construction

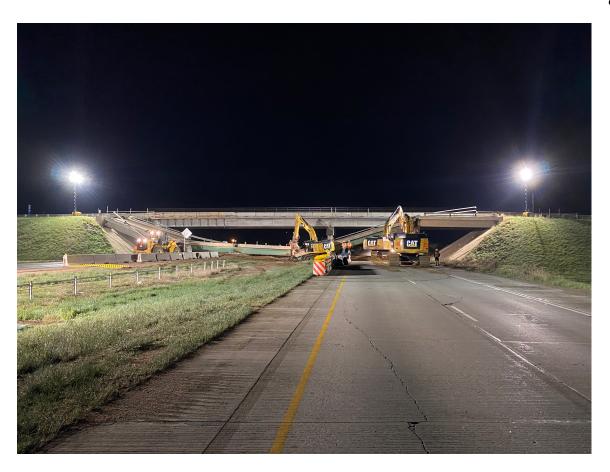


#### Turion constructing this portion of IPA

- Constructing IPA from WCR 38 to WCR 44/SH 56 (3 miles)
- Design complete in the next few months
- Roadway grading starting Q4 2020
- Set for roadway completion by Q4 of 2021



#### I-25 North: Johnstown to Fort Collins



- Similar to the work between Berthoud and Johnstown, October will ramp up bridge work between Johnstown and Fort Collins, too:
  - Crews are prepping to set girders for the I-25 bridge over Union Pacific Railroad and the future Kendall Parkway
    - This work requires overnight full closures of southbound I-25 between Crossroads Boulevard and US 34
  - Crews are prepping to set girders for the bridge over the Big Thompson River
    - This work requires overnight full closures of northbound I-25 between CO 402 and US 34
  - Work continues on the Prospect Road bridge, and the US 34 bridge over I-25



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