PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Santa Fe Drive Action Plan will identify future transportation and safety improvements for an 11-mile stretch of Santa Fe Drive (US Highway 85) between C-470 and the junction of Alameda Avenue and I-25.

ONLINE PUBLIC EVENT RESULTS

CDOT hosted an online public event for the Santa Fe Drive Action Plan that launched on July 14, 2021 and closed on August 8, 2021. This was the second online public event held for the project. The event provided an update on the project with various opportunities for public feedback, including surveys and thumbs up/down activities. Topics included:

- What is the Santa Fe Drive Action Plan?
- Where are we in the process?
- Alternatives Evaluation Process
- Location-Specific Options
- Early Action Projects
- Level 2 Themes
- Next Steps
- Staying Involved

The feedback collected from the online event surveys and thumbs up/down activities informed the next phase to develop draft recommendations and early action projects (presented below). The content presented at the online public event can be viewed on the website here.

![Figure 1: Project Timeline](chart.jpg)

- **497 VISITORS**
- **150 SURVEY RESPONSES**
- **490 EARLY ACTION & THEME COMMENTS**
TASKS COMPLETED TO-DATE:

- The Corridor Conditions Report summarizes the existing conditions, infrastructure, and travel conditions. It also shows the social, built, and natural environmental resources within the Santa Fe Dr corridor.
- The Purpose and Need was developed based on the findings of the Corridor Conditions Report and stakeholder involvement, and endorsed by CDOT and the local agency partners. The report can be viewed on the project website here.
- Reasonable and Foreseeable Concepts were developed and evaluated against the Purpose and Need. These concepts were shown to the public during the Online Public Event in January 2021.
- Location-Specific Design Options and Criteria were developed based on the concepts and evaluated to determine which should be carried forward into the next round of evaluation.

NEXT STEPS

- Finalize and prioritize recommendations - Late 2021
- Publish the final Santa Fe Drive Action Plan and present to stakeholders and the public - Spring 2022

EARLY ACTION PROJECTS

As part of the Santa Fe Drive Action Plan and based on stakeholder and community feedback, the early action projects below have been funded by CDOT for future transportation and safety improvements.

Crestline Avenue Conversion to Right-in/Right-out

Raised center median along Santa Fe Dr would be closed at Crestline Ave to prohibit southbound left turns and a new northbound right turn lane constructed with island modifications. The southbound left turn movement to the area east of Santa Fe Dr would shift to the Prince St signalized intersection, less than 1,000 feet to the north.

Benefits

- Improves safety by eliminating intersection left turn conflicts
- Improves operations along Santa Fe Dr by shifting slower, right turning traffic out of the mainline through lanes

Northbound Auxiliary Lane at Prince Street with Bike Lanes

Raised center median on Santa Fe Dr and striping would be modified to delineate the left turn lane more clearly from the HOV lane at Prince St and to add a northbound lane through the intersection. Island modifications would add the northbound through lane and eastbound/westbound bike lanes through the intersection, extending the existing bike lanes along Prince St west of Santa Fe Dr.

Benefits

- Improves safety by reducing conflicts that occur due to drivers confusing the northbound HOV lane for a second left turn lane
- Improves multimodal safety and connections with striped bike lane through the intersection
- Improves operations along northbound Santa Fe Dr with additional through lane reducing the bottleneck at the Prince St traffic signal
New Sidewalk - South Side of Oxford Avenue

New sidewalk connection would be constructed along the south side of Oxford Ave west of Santa Fe Dr. The new sidewalk would connect to existing sidewalk at the bus stop east of River Point Pkwy and at the Santa Fe Dr intersection.

Benefits
- Provides missing pedestrian connection to Santa Fe Dr

New Sidewalk - North Side Hampden Avenue (US 285)

New sidewalk connection would be constructed along the north side of Hampden Ave through the Santa Fe Dr interchange. The new sidewalk would connect to existing sidewalk at South Platte River Dr and along Hampden Ave under the railroad bridge east of Santa Fe Dr. The sidewalk would be attached to Hampden Ave to fit under the existing Santa Fe Dr bridge and enhanced pedestrian crossing treatments would be installed at the three interchange ramp crossings.

Benefits
- Provides important missing pedestrian/bicyclist connection across Santa Fe Dr and to the Englewood light rail station
- Improves safety by reducing pedestrian conflicts at the ramp crossings

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