

PROJECT UPDATE

SH88 Arapahoe Rd Cherry Creek Bridge Replacement

Project Overview

In November 2013, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) began a bridge reconstruction project on State Highway (SH) 88 over Cherry Creek in Arapahoe County. The project extends from east of South Jordan Road to South Chambers Way. Crews are replacing the existing bridge, originally built in 1959, with a structure that meets current standards.

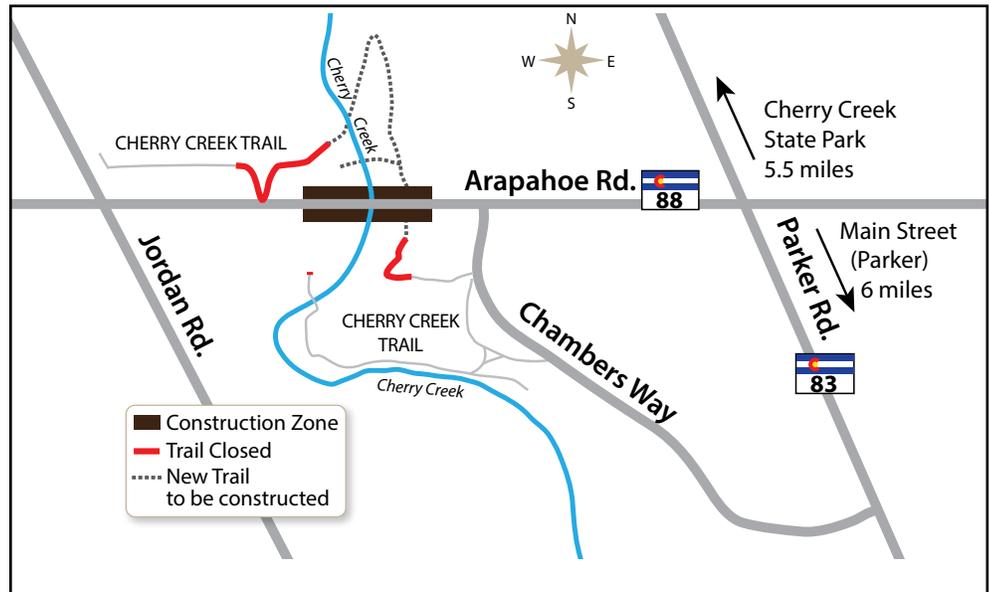
In addition, there will be construction on the Cherry Creek Trail. The trail will extend under Arapahoe Road, giving pedestrians and cyclists improved connectivity throughout the trail system.

SEMA Construction Inc. of Centennial, Colorado, is the contractor for this \$18 million project, which on pace to finish in June 2015.

Progress

To date, the project is 70 percent complete and in the final phase of work on the bridge structure. There will be minor median work once the structure is completed. Traffic is configured so the westbound traffic lane along Arapahoe Road has been transitioned onto the newly constructed bridge, which was completed in December. This work was completed quickly and efficiently thanks to owner-contractor cooperation and the availability of crews at the end of the year, allowing the project to meet a milestone in completing Phase 2 three months ahead of anticipated schedule.

Currently, work includes utility location and storm sewer work. Additionally, crews are exporting mass hauls of dirt from the project. Work is focused on the substructure of the bridge: the supporting caissons, columns and pilings.



The project team is preparing to finalize work on the trail this spring. The trail will be extended under the bridge west of the creek and serve as the missing link to connect the trail system. The trail is tentatively scheduled to open by July 2015.

Schedule and Impacts

Normal daytime work hours will be Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Some weekend and nighttime work can be expected.

Travelers can expect little traffic impact with up to 15-minute delays. The number of lanes will be maintained, with intermittent shoulder and eastbound and westbound right-lane closures. Access to businesses also will be maintained.

In March 2015, when girders will be erected for the bridge, there will be nightly closures to accommodate that work. There will be additional information about these closures as work gets closer.

Please use caution and stay alert while traveling through the construction zone and follow reduced posted speed limits.

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Pedestrian Access Restricted

The sidewalk from South Jordan Road to South Chambers Way is closed to pedestrians on the south side of the street. Pedestrians must utilize the sidewalk on the north side of the road. Only authorized construction personnel are allowed on the project site, as there are open holes for bridge structure work and heavy equipment.

Contact

If you have questions about the project, contact the Public Information Team. You will receive a response within 24 hours.

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