## CDOT Project IM 0252-315 I-25 Valley Highway Logan to US 6

# FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT Final Section 4(f) Evaluation

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## **ABSTRACT**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) have examined a broad range of alternatives and identified a Preferred Alternative for improvements to portions of I-25 (the Valley Highway), US 6, and Santa Fe/Kalamath in south central Denver. The improvements would correct geometric deficiencies, increase safety, and replace deteriorating structures. Pedestrian/bicycle mobility across the I-25 corridor and access to transit facilities would also be improved. This Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) describes the Preferred Alternative, as well as the other alternatives that were examined and a No Action Alternative, which provides a baseline for comparison. The environmental consequences of the alternatives are described for a broad range of environmental categories including: socio-economics and community, right-of-way and displacements, parks and recreation, aesthetics and urban design, air quality, noise and vibration, historic preservation, paleontology, water resources, floodplains, wetlands, vegetation and wildlife, hazardous waste, soils and geology, energy, and construction impacts. Mitigation measures are identified to address impacts to these resources.

FHWA and CDOT plan to implement the Preferred Alternative in a series of phases. This Final EIS discusses the planned phasing approach. Following public comment on this Final EIS, FHWA and CDOT plan to prepare a Record of Decision to address public comments, and select an initial project phase for implementation.

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