

I-25/Cimarron Phase 1 Update

Since the project first broke ground last summer 2015, crews on the Interstate-25/Cimarron Design-Build Project have been hard at work off-line on utility relocations, bridge and wall work, and completing embankment work in preparation for the transition into the next phase of construction. Phase 1 is underway for the I-25/Cimarron project team, which includes various overnight lane restrictions and traffic realignments on I-25 and Cimarron Street/US 24 for removals and restriping activities, to set barrier and for bridge construction. This phase is anticipated to continue through late winter 2016.

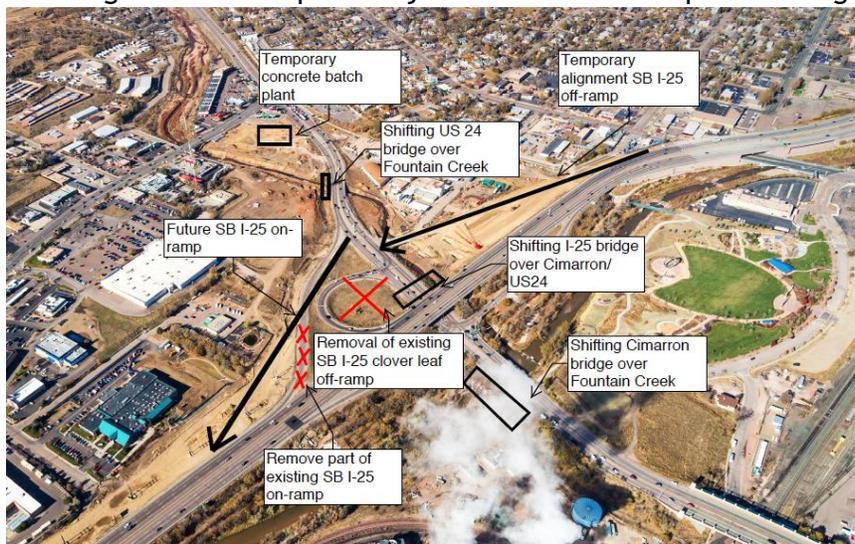
Phase 1 Look Ahead (more details available in weekly eAlerts). Sign up at www.cotrip.org, then click on the bright green telephone. Scroll down to the "Projects" list for I-25 and Cimarron Interchange:

- April
 - Cimarron Street reduced to one lane eastbound and two lanes westbound between I-25 and Sierra Madre Street for several months
 - Removal of existing southbound I-25 loop off-ramp and open new ramp to Cimarron Street/US 24 located to the north, just south of Colorado Avenue
 - Open new realignment of southbound I-25 on-ramp from Cimarron Street/US 24
 - Onsite concrete batch plant near the US 24 & 8th Street intersection
- May
 - Shift US 24 traffic to the south, onto the new permanent US 24 bridge over Fountain Creek
 - Motorists will encounter a temporary split lane reconfiguration on southbound I-25 between Cimarron Street/US 24 and south Nevada/Tejon Street (left two lanes split to existing northbound pavement, right lane split to existing southbound pavement)

You can also expect:

- Speed reduction to 55 mph on I-25 between Colorado Avenue and south Nevada/Tejon Street and 30 mph speed reduction on US 24 between 8th Street and I-25
- Narrowed lanes and reduced shoulders
- Three lanes maintained northbound and southbound I-25 during the day

The diagram below depicts major activities to take place during this phase:





Project Schedule:

The I-25/Cimarron Project team remains on schedule and is on track to construct a more efficient interchange.

Phase 0 (April 2015 to March 2016): Complete

Phase 1 (March 2016 to late 2016): Underway

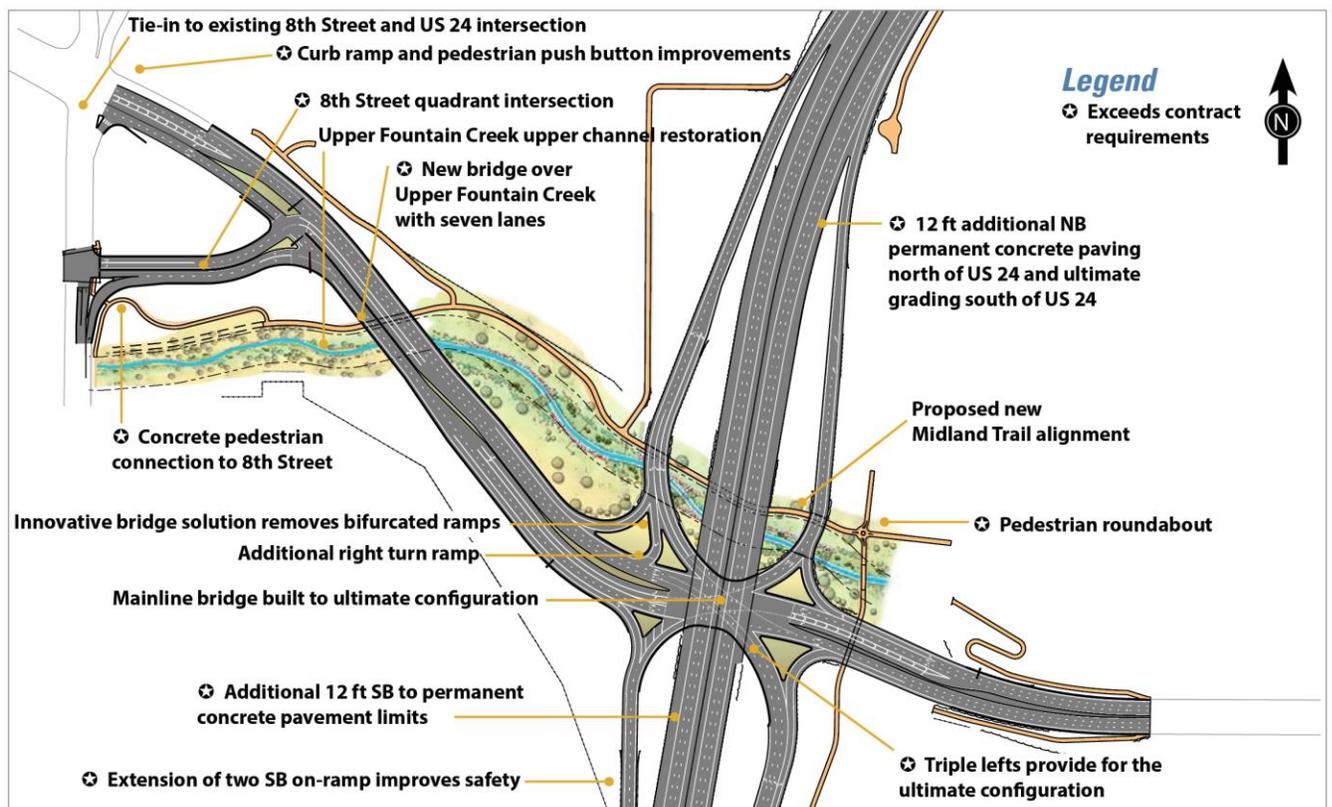
Phase 2: Begins late 2016

Phase 3: Begins summer 2017

Fully Operational: Winter 2017

The I-25/Cimarron Project Team reminds you to:

- Watch for future traffic alerts highlighting new alignments and anticipated lane closures
- Watch for signage to direct you through the construction zone
- Always be on high alert for construction traffic through the area
- Avoid distractions and drive slow
- Stay out of designated construction zones
- Consider taking alternate routes as nightly lane closures will be ongoing for the next several months



I-25/Cimarron project rendering