



July 2015

College Avenue to get much needed work

OVERVIEW

The final phase of the Colorado Department of Transportation's US 287 (College Avenue) resurfacing project is scheduled to begin in late July. The project will extend from Mulberry Street to Harmony Road and is expected to take approximately six months to complete with an anticipated winter shut-down.

During the 2015 construction season, crews will initially focus on road and bridge rehabilitation in preparation for full-road resurfacing. Although previous overlays have extended the life of the road, major rehabilitation is required from Mulberry to University Avenue to improve safety, drainage and extend the life of the road. The last major work in this area took place more than 20 years ago.

The entire project area will not be under active construction at the same time. The project team has developed a plan that will complete the project in sections to minimize traffic impacts. Initially, the most extensive work will begin on southbound College Avenue between Mulberry and University with full-depth roadway rehabilitation including the removal of concrete panels, which have been covered by multiple asphalt overlays.

At the same time, other crews will also begin work on the south end of the corridor near Harmony Road to make necessary spot repairs to concrete curb, gutter and sidewalks. This work will generally proceed from south to north. The project also includes improvements to the bridge over Spring Creek.



TRAFFIC IMPACTS

During construction, drivers can expect lane closures along College Avenue. Closures will be communicated through weekly alerts using CDOT's email and text alert service, as well as to local media. To sign up for alerts, visit the project website at <http://www.codot.gov/projects/us287fortcollinsresurfacing>.

Speed limits may be reduced through work zones and fines will be doubled. A width restriction of 10-feet is necessary. Pedestrian access will be maintained through work zones. All work is weather permitting and schedules are subject to change.





US 287 (College Avenue) Resurfacing & Rehabilitation

FACT SHEET

Planned lane closures begin the week of July 27

Motorists should expect lane closures on southbound College Avenue between Mulberry and Old Main Drive starting the week of July 27 for major roadway rehabilitation. Starting the week of Aug. 3, crews anticipate placing barrier wall along southbound College Avenue to create a temporary work zone along the west side of the road. Once barrier wall is set and rehabilitation work begins, traffic will be reduced to a single through travel lane for approximately 1,500 feet. College Avenue will remain open; however, the lane closure will be in place 24 hours, seven days a week, until this section is complete. The College Avenue & Laurel Street intersection will remain open during this work. The intersection of College Avenue & Myrtle Street will also be open except for brief partial closures to construct a new gutter pan across Myrtle.

After work is complete in the first work zone, the barrier wall will be relocated south to complete similar work between Old Main Drive and University Avenue. Together, the repairs in the southbound direction between Mulberry and University are expected to extend into late fall. Normal work hours are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Some night work is possible.

Work will also start between Harvard Street and Harmony Road to replace select curb, gutter, sidewalk, pedestrian ramps, and install conduit to upgrade the city's traffic signal system. Single lane closures are expected. Repairs in this area, both northbound and southbound, are expected to take approximately eight weeks.

BACKGROUND

This is the third and final phase of the work on US 287. The first phase went from Harmony Road south to Carpenter Road and was completed last year. Phase 2 went from Carpenter to 29th Street in Loveland and is being completed now.

Martin Marietta was awarded the \$8.9 million Phase 3 contract by CDOT. The project is funded through a combination of federal, state and local contributions.

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If you have questions or concerns, call the project information line at 970-443-7200 or send an email to: college287@workzone.info. To sign up for alerts, visit the project website at www.codot.gov/projects/us287fortcollinsresurfacing and click on the green cellphone icon at the right side of the page.

