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— PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT —

US 6 Avon to Dowd Junction resurfacing begins next week

Construction starts April 26

AVON - The Colorado Department of Transportation will begin resurfacing improvements on US Highway 6 from Avon to Dowd Junction on April 26. Most work will take place on US 6 between Mile Point 170 and MP 175, with primary work consisting of milling the existing asphalt surface and repaving. Two Interstate 70 ramps will also be repaved, including the I-70 eastbound on-ramp at Exit 169 and the westbound off-ramp of Exit 171. Work will also include replacement of guardrail, striping, adding a bike lane between MP 172 and MP 173, ADA ramp upgrades, erosion control, and traffic control management. United Companies has been selected for this project, which is expected to be completed in Fall 2021. No full stops on I-70 or US 6 are expected.

A portion of this project includes a funding partnership with Eagle County to create an important section of recreational path through the EagleVail commercial corridor.

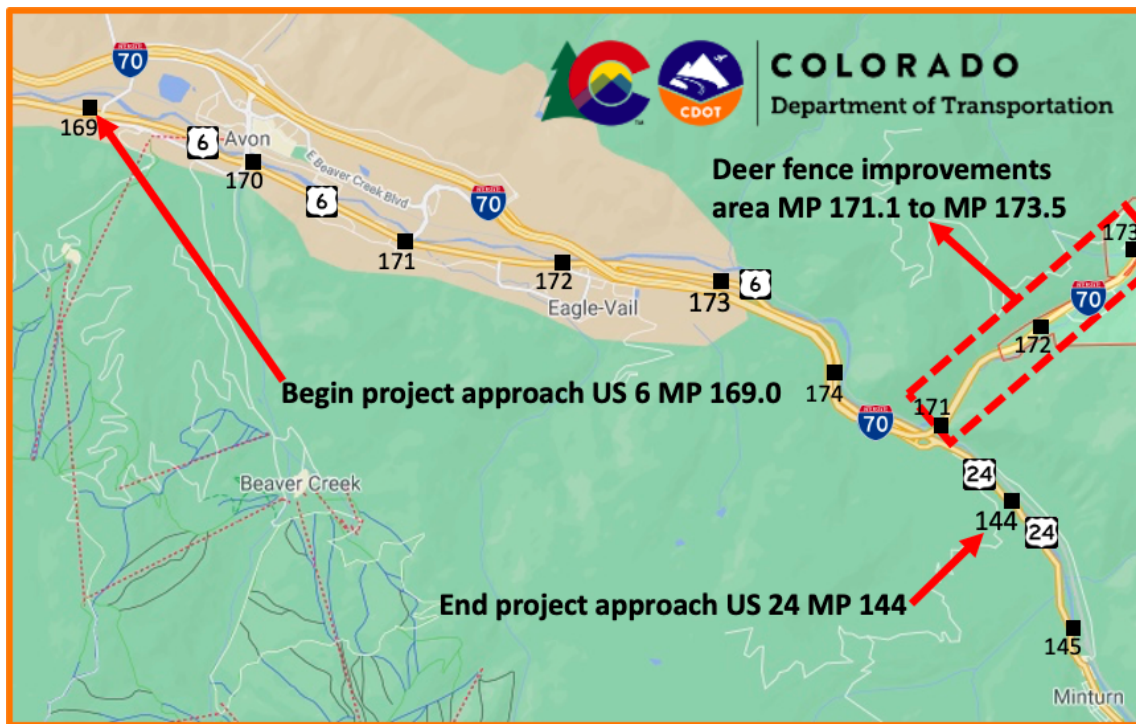
"This resurfacing project will improve safety and efficiency for residents, businesses, and visitors traveling by all modes," said Executive Director Shoshana Lew. "These lasting impacts, re-evaluated to be more responsive to community needs, dedicate more space to multi-modal improvements and better support the vitality of Eagle and Vail's commercial main streets."

Nearby on Interstate 70, Dowd Junction has experienced many wildlife crashes through the years, resulting in maintenance challenges. In order to improve wildlife and motorist safety, crews will remove, repair and install deer fencing between MP 171 and 174 on I-70. The original wildlife fence is located higher on the hill, making maintenance efforts a challenge. The new deer fencing installment will be a more efficient alignment, easier to maintain, and will eliminate the need to maintain a fence creek crossing.

Traffic Impacts:

Travelers will encounter resurfacing operations Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Speeds will be reduced to 35 mph in work zones. Traffic control and temporary signals will be operating 24/7 with one lane closures at project work zones. Wide load restrictions of 12 ft.

will be in effect. Motorists are urged to use caution and watch for heavy equipment. At times, through lanes and turn lanes may be temporarily closed to traffic causing brief travel delays. Any temporary closures are to ensure the safety of the workers and the traveling public.



Project & Travel Info

For additional information about this project:

- Call the project information line at (970) 515-3670
- Email the project team at us6resurface@gmail.com
- Visit the project website at: <https://www.codot.gov/projects/us6-resurfacing-avon-dowd-jct>

Travelers are urged to “know before you go.” Gather information about weather forecasts and anticipated travel impacts and current road conditions prior to hitting the road. CDOT resources include:

- Road conditions and travel information: www.COtrip.org
- Sign up for project or travel alerts: bit.ly/COalerts
- See scheduled lane closures: codot.gov/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html
- Connect with us on social media: Twitter [@coloradodot](https://twitter.com/coloradodot) and Facebook facebook.com/coloradodot

Remember: Slow For The Cone Zone

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

- Do not speed in work zones. Obey the posted speed limits.
- Stay Alert! Expect the unexpected.
- Watch for workers. Drive with caution.

- Don't change lanes unnecessarily.
- Avoid using mobile devices such as phones while driving in work zones.
- Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you.
- Be especially alert at night while driving in work zones.
- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.
- Allow ample space between you and the car in front of you.
- Anticipate lane shifts and merge when directed to do so.
- Be patient!

About CDOT

[CDOT's Whole System-Whole Safety](#) program has one simple mission – to get everyone home safely. Our approximately 3,000 employees work tirelessly to reduce the rate and severity of crashes and improve the safety of all modes of transportation. The department manages more than 23,000 lane miles of highway, more than 3,000 bridges and 35 mountain passes. CDOT also manages grant partnerships with a range of agencies, including metropolitan planning organizations, local governments and airports. It also operates Bustang, the state-owned interregional express bus service. Gov. Jared Polis has charged CDOT to further build on the state's intermodal mobility options.

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