

CDOT: Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvements Project South I-25 / CO94 / S. Academy Boulevard / Charter Oak Ranch Road

Travel Alert - Week of May 17

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Daytime Lane Closures Required -- Monday, May 18

Northbound and Southbound I-25 Single Lane and Shoulder Closures

<u>7 a.m. – 7 p.m., Monday, May 18</u>

- Single southbound or northbound lane and inside shoulder/median
- I-25 between Mesa Ridge Parkway and Santa Fe Avenue (milepost 127 132.5)
- Speed reductions to 65 mph will be in place. Motorists should expect delays.
- Dates of work are weather permitting.

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CDOT continues to show progress on the BUILD Grant as the project moves forward to construction this Fall. Work completed includes geotechnical boring for water quality vaults, roadway and structures. Survey work for roadway and structures is anticipated to be complete within the next two weeks.

MAMSIP is managed and delivered by CDOT through the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development, or BUILD Grant program, and includes project components on corridors owned by El Paso County (South Academy Boulevard and Charter Oak Ranch Road). This program provides an opportunity for the Department of Transportation (DOT) to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects that promise to achieve national objectives. Partners contributing to the funding of these improvements include:

- Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA)
- Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (PPACG)
- Central Front Range (CFR) Transportation Planning Region
- Colorado Chapter of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Project stakeholders include multiple jurisdictions, the region's military installations and the community.

I-25 Safety & Efficiency Improvements Component Information:

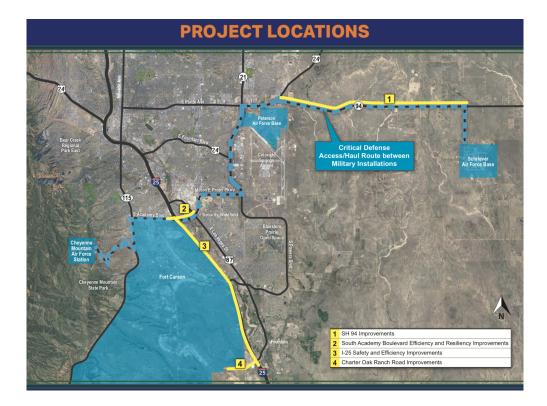
- Replacement of two bridges crossing over South Academy Boulevard
- Widening of both inside and outside shoulders and installing outside guardrails
- Concrete surface treatment overlay to provide an improved riding surface for this 7.5-mile segment
- Installation of median barriers the entire length of this corridor
- Work on four bridges along the corridor and
- Installation of I-25 southbound deceleration lane at the interchange with CO 16

Collectively, this work to the I-25 corridor will significantly improve safety through reduction in accidents, injuries, and fatalities. Replacement of bridges which have exceeded their useful life, as well as work to minor bridges along the corridor, will reduce scheduled and unscheduled maintenance and repairs on these infrastructure assets. In addition, introduction of I-25 southbound deceleration lane at the CO 16 interchange will contribute to greater efficiency of vehicular movement. Undertaking these improvements to I-25 will effectively improve mobility and safety outcomes along one of the state's busiest interstate corridors while concurrently ensuring economic vitality provided by this crucial north to south route is maintained. **For more information**: <u>https://www.codot.gov/projects/military-access-safety-improvements-in-se-colorado</u>

Safe Driving Notices:

- Avoid distractions and pay attention to road and directional signs.
- Motorists are urged to allow additional time to reach your destination and to call ahead for information on any lane reductions or detours that may be in place.

Construction schedules are subject to change based on weather/unforeseen circumstances and schedule changes.



About: Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvement Program

Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) has initiated a program to deliver more efficient and safer mobility along I-25, Colorado Highway 94, South Academy Boulevard, and Charter Oak Ranch Road, enabling economic stability and development. The Military Access, Mobility & Safety Improvement program is funded through an \$18 million BUILD grant award from the US Department of Transportation. The delivery of these improvements will strengthen and enhance the redundancy of strategic movement between the nationally significant El Paso County military installations of Fort Carson, Peterson Air Force Base, Cheyenne Mountain Station, and Schriever Air Force Base.

COVID-19

Safe transportation infrastructure is essential for emergency first responders and freight drivers as Colorado navigates the COVID-19 pandemic. With that in mind, road maintenance and construction continues on CDOT projects with social distancing and other health safety measures to reduce COVID-19 exposure on the worksite. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment announced <u>guidelines for</u> <u>construction activities</u>. The public is urged to join the campaign for #DoingMyPartCO by practicing social distancing, wearing face masks, staying at home when possible, and avoiding nonessential travel. With fewer vehicles on the roads, CDOT crews will be able to work more efficiently and safely.

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Stay up to date on these projects by visiting https://www.codot.gov/projects/military-access-safety-improvements-in-se-colorado Project Information Line: 719-800-2162 Email the project team: <u>125CO94.mamsip@gmail.com</u>



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