

Project Details

Rendering of the future I-70 alignment and frontage road, looking south. The top highway represents the new westbound I-70 alignment, while the middle highway is the new eastbound I-70 alignment. The bottom roadway is the new frontage road connecting US 6 to Hidden Valley. The westbound I-70 entrance is relocated to Hidden Valley.

The I-70 Floyd Hill Project will improve eight miles of the I-70 Mountain Corridor, from west of Evergreen (Exit 248) to eastern Idaho Springs (Exit 241).

Project Improvements

- Add a third westbound I-70 travel lane in this two-lane bottleneck to improve travel time reliability. This new lane will be a full-time, tolled Express Lane from just west of Homestead Road (Exit 247) to Colorado Blvd./ Idaho Springs (Exit 241).
- Change the alignment of I-70 from the middle of Floyd Hill to the Veterans Memorial Tunnels to straighten roadway curves, which will improve safety and sight distance.
- Rebuild bridges due to heavy usage and wear and tear.
- Add a two-mile section of frontage road between the US 6 and Hidden Valley/Central City Parkway interchanges, which will improve resiliency and emergency response.
- Move the current left-merge US 6 on-ramp to westbound I-70 to the Hidden Valley/Central City Parkway (Exit 243) interchange to improve safety and operations.

- Build an extended on-ramp from US 6 onto eastbound I-70 for slow-moving vehicles to have more room to merge.
- Improve traffic flow at interchanges and intersections by adding roundabouts on US 40 at County Road 65 (Exit 248) and Homestead Road (Exit 247), and at the Hidden Valley/Central City Parkway (Exit 243) interchange.
- Improve the Clear Creek Greenway trail and resurface it with concrete.
- Implement environmental mitigation to enhance wildlife connectivity, air and water quality, stream conditions and recreation.
- Install two permanent air quality monitors.



General Traffic Impacts

- I-70 daytime and overnight lane and ramp closures for construction during off-peak travel hours.
- 20-minute I-70 traffic holds from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, and 9 a.m. to noon Fridays for rock blasting through the end of 2026. Expect delays up to 45 minutes to clear the queue.
- Flaggers and alternating traffic on US 40 near US 6 interchange for hillside access.
- Construction activity will occur above and adjacent to the roadway, focus on the road ahead and pay attention for changing traffic patterns.
- Watch for narrower lane and shoulder widths, reduced speeds as low as 45 MPH and trucks entering and exiting the work zone.

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