

Weekly update of construction activities on the Pecos Street over I-70 project that will occur the week of Aug. 4:

Daytime Construction

All of the following work will occur during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be done behind the barriers. Traffic will not be impacted but flaggers will be on-site to direct traffic. This work includes:

Crews will be rebuilding the intersection on Pecos Street between 48th Avenue and the eastbound on and off-ramps

- Working on the roundabouts and median on Pecos Street
- Installing waterlines
- Building the retaining walls
- Working on the pedestrian signals
- Installing fence

Nighttime Construction

On Thursday, Aug. 8 starting at 8 p.m., the eastbound I-70 on- and off-ramps at Pecos Street will be closed while crews work on the ramps and intersection. Motorists will need to use Federal Boulevard as the detour around this closure. The ramps will reopen at 5 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 9.

HAWK Signal Activated on Tuesday, Aug. 6

CDOT has installed a high-intensity activated crosswalk (HAWK) pedestrian signal as part of the project to further improve the safety for the pedestrians in the area, which will be activated on Tuesday for use by the public. The HAWK signal is located south and north of I-70 on Pecos Street and allows pedestrians to safely cross Pecos Street.

The HAWK signal is a more advanced pedestrian light that demonstrated up to a 97 percent driver compliance rate then compared with a traditional un-signalized crossing.

To the pedestrian, the new signal is very similar to typical pedestrian signals with red hands signifying to wait and a white pedestrian figure to show when to walk. However, to the driver it is slightly different. When activated by the pedestrian, the HAWK signal begins flashing yellow indicating to the drivers that a pedestrian will be using the crosswalk. It then goes to solid yellow, like a typical traffic signal, advising the driver to stop, before turning solid red, requiring the driver to stop in advance of the crosswalk, followed by a flashing red light, and then back to a dark signal head.

Pecos Street closure remains in place

Pecos Street at I-70 will remain closed through August. Access to all businesses north and south of I-70 is maintained and additional signage was installed to provide direction during the course of this closure.

The eastbound I-70 on- and off-ramps remain open, as well as the westbound I-70 off-ramp to eastbound 48th Avenue. Motorists, including all truck traffic, must use the signed detours to Federal Boulevard to cross I-70 during this closure, or use I-76 as an alternate route. Do not use local streets as detour.

For more information, visit coloradodot.info/projects/pecosoveri70, email the project office at Pecos.I70@kiewit.com, or call the project hotline at 303.672.1770.