I-70/PICADILLY ROAD INTERCHANGE REEVALUATION PROJECT

Background

The idea of a new interchange at I-70 and Picadilly Road was first presented in 2007 as part of the Environmental Assessment of the I-70/E-470 Interchange Complex. In the last decade, numerous transportation and land-use plans also have included the project.

About the Project

The project will add a new interchange along Interstate 70 to facilitate north-south connectivity for people and commerce in the area with anticipated future development. It also will connect Picadilly Road between Colfax Avenue and Smith Road to further improve mobility in the area. This current project focuses on a comprehensive and detailed new National Environmental Policy Act document called a Reevaluation that looks specifically at the I-70/Picadilly Interchange. This Reevaluation will allow the city to advance the I-70/Picadilly Interchange to a more "shovel-ready" status.

Revised Preferred Alternative includes:

- A new diverging diamond interchange
- A bridge over I-70 for Picadilly Road
- Auxiliary lanes between Picadilly Road and Tower Road
- Intersection improvements at Picadilly and Colfax
- Consideration of improvements at East 11th Avenue
- Improved connections to/from I-70, reducing traffic on roads like Tower Road

Progress since last Public Meeting

- Completed the alternatives analysis
- Revised Preferred Alternative selected
- Technical report documentation in progress
Summary of Current Findings

- Future traffic volumes on Picadilly Road are estimated to be less than what was estimated in the 2006 Environmental Assessment (EA)
- Less right of way is needed than was needed for the EA
- Minor effects are anticipated to vegetation, air quality, wildlife habitat, views
- Noise studies are in process

What's Next?

- April 30
  - Public Open House #2

- Fall/Winter 2019
  - Reevaluation of EA complete; Submit request for CDOT & FHWA approval

- Secure funding

- Next Milestone
  - Final design process

- Next Milestone
  - Right of way acquisition

- Next Milestone
  - Construction (Duration two to three years)

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