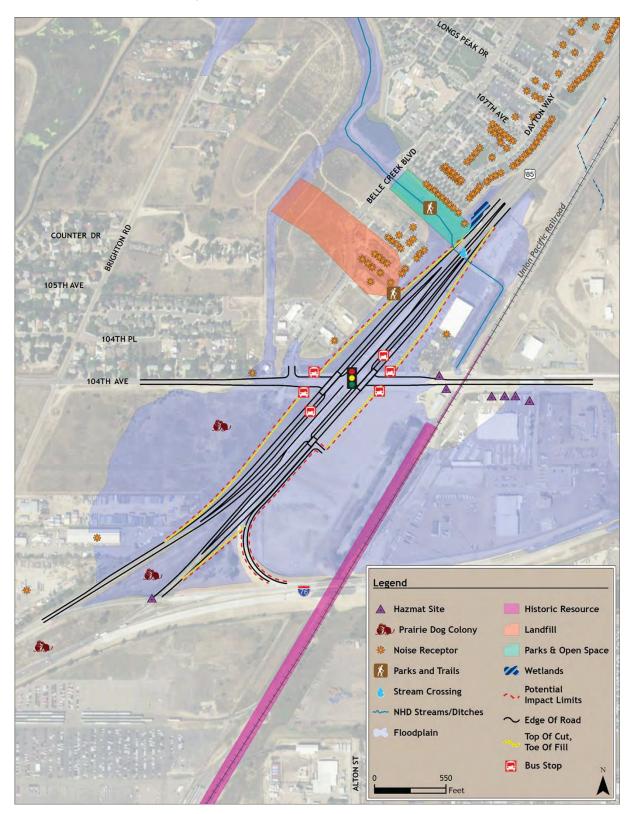


# Appendix E. Location Recommendations and Alternative Concepts



# US 85 AND 104<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, SPUI OPTION



US 85 and 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue, SPUI Option



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 800'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway	Standard expressway	

classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/E	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	5	4	13.25

#### **Recommended Improvement**

US 85 is elevated and busine		
Key observations	access along 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue is	
	maintained	
	SPUI with Flyover	
Recommended	(Note: Split Diamond, DDI, and	
improvement type(s)	Partial Cloverleaf alternatives	
	are also recommended)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Does not fit within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resources, floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$38,200,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Add additional NB left turn lane and signal timing improvements</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

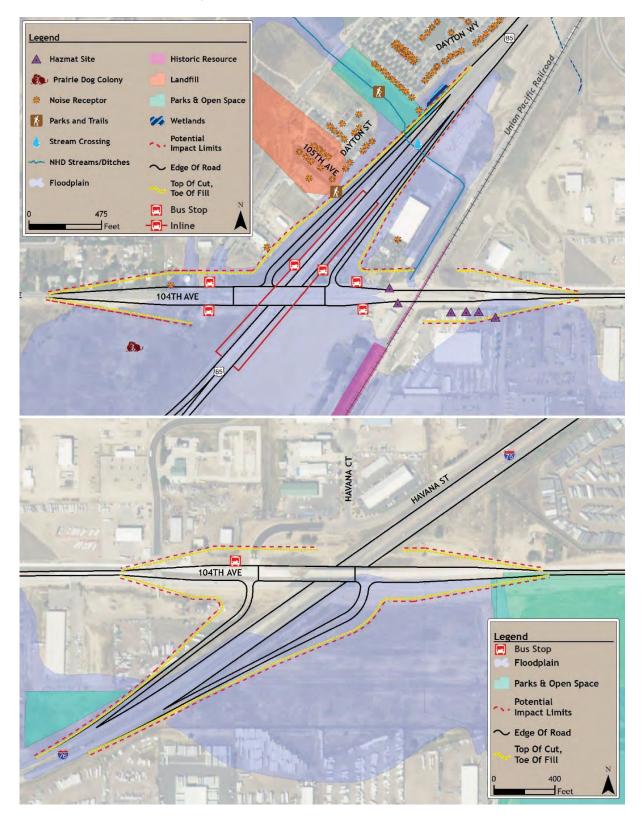
Evaluated improvements	Diamond, Split Diamond, SPUI with flyover, Diverging Diamond, Partial Cloverleaf	
Eliminated improvement types	None	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Diamond Interchange, No Action Alternative	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Does not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Would improve mobility, safety and enhance alternate modes</li> <li>Disruptive to current and future development opportunities</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, Section 4(f) resources (park and open space, trail), First Creek floodplain, wetlands, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, historic resources, and commercial development	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of First Creek may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's *Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 104<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, SPLIT DIAMOND OPTION





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 800'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
•	alternative travel modes	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway		
classification	Standard expressway	
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PEL recommended	Freeway	
classification		
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/E	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

#### Prioritization (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	5	4	13.25

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Koy observations	104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue is elevated over		
Key observations	US 85 and UPRR.		
Recommended improvement type(s)	Split Diamond (Note: SPUI, DDI, and partial cloverleaf alternatives are also recommended)		
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Would not fit within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resources, floodplain, wetlands, T&amp;E species habitat, and historic resources</li> </ul>		
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$80,500,000		
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Add additional NB left turn lane and signal timing improvements</li> </ul>		

#### **PEL Screening Process**

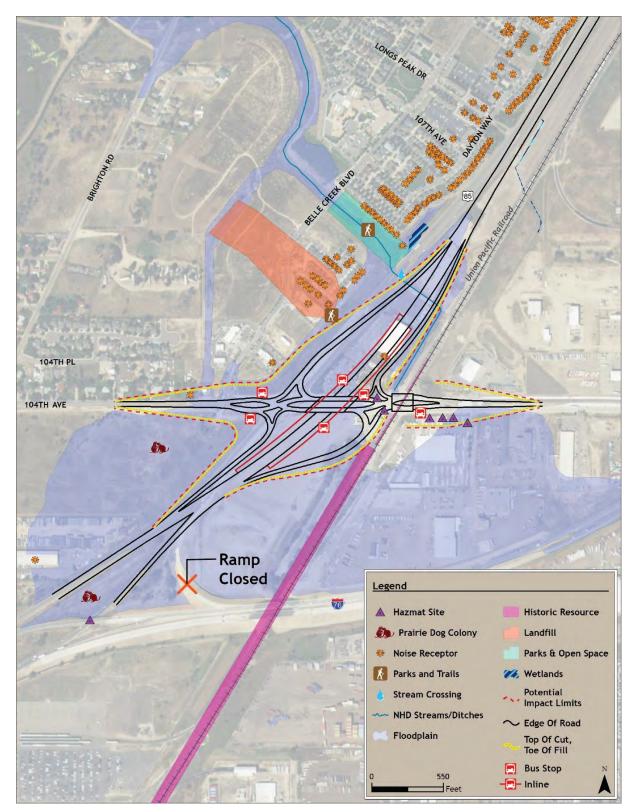
Evaluated improvements	Diamond, Split Diamond, SPUI with flyover, Diverging Diamond, Partial Cloverleaf		
Eliminated improvement types	N/A		
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A		
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Diamond Interchange, No Action Alternative		
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Does not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Would improve mobility, safety and enhance alternate modes</li> <li>Disruptive to current and future development opportunities</li> </ul>		
Environmental considerations Primary considerations include impacts to: land use, Section 4(f) resour open space, trail), First Creek floodplain, wetlands, black-tailed prairie potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, hazmat sites, historic resourc commercial and residential development			

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of First Creek may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's *Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 104<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, DDI OPTION



US 85 and 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue, DDI Option



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 800'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway		

classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/E	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	5	4	13.25

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Kau akaamustiana	104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue is elevated over	
Key observations	US 85 and UPRR	
Recommended improvement type(s)	<b>DDI</b> (Note: Split Diamond, SPUI, and Partial Cloverleaf alternatives are also recommended)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Does not fit within community vision</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resources, floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources</li> <li>May not efficiently accommodate transit stops, esp. through bus service</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$48,700,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Add additional NB left turn lane and signal timing improvements</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

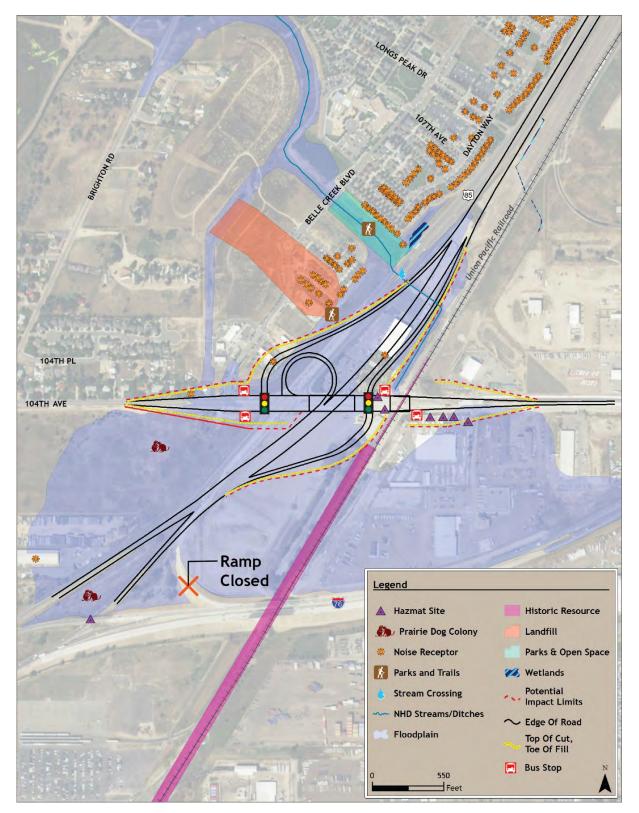
Evaluated improvements	Diamond, Split Diamond, SPUI with flyover, Diverging Diamond, Partial Cloverleaf	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Diamond Interchange, No Action Alternative	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Does not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Would improve mobility, safety and enhance alternate modes</li> <li>Disruptive to current and future development opportunities</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, Section 4(f) resources (park and open spac trail), First Creek floodplain, wetlands, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, historic resources, and commercial development	

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of First Creek may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 104<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, PARTIAL CLOVERLEAF OPTION





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 800'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	

Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/E
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	5	4	13.25

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue is elevated over	
	US 85 and UPRR. Partial Cloverleaf	
Recommended improvement	(Note: Split Diamond, SPUI,	
type(s)	and DDI alternatives are also	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>recommended)</li> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Does not fit within community vision</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resources, floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources</li> <li>This configuration does not effectively address the purpose and need</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement	\$61 900 000	
cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$61,800,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Add additional NB left turn lane and signal timing improvements</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

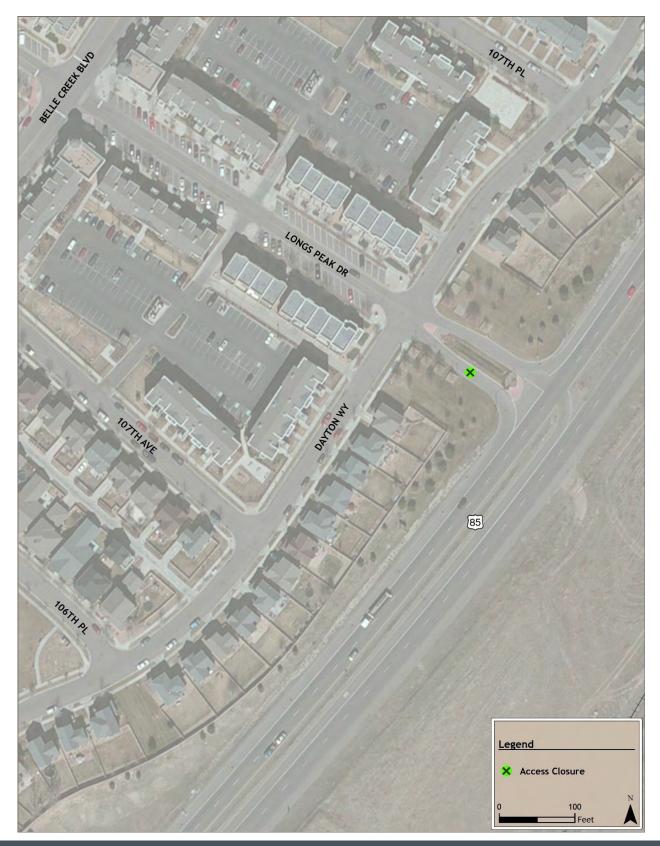
Evaluated improvements	Diamond, Split Diamond, SPUI with flyover, Diverging Diamond, Partial Cloverleaf		
Eliminated improvement types	N/A		
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A		
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Diamond Interchange, No Action Alternative		
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Does not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Would improve mobility, safety and enhance alternate modes</li> <li>Disruptive to current and future development opportunities</li> </ul>		
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, Section 4(f) resources (park and open space, trail), First Creek floodplain, wetlands, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, historic resources, and commercial development		

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of First Creek may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# **US 85 AND LONGS PEAK DRIVE**



US 85 and Longs Peak Drive



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	<sup>3</sup> ⁄4 movement
Distance from railroad	N/A
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No significant issues
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	2	0	3

#### **PEL Screening Process**

# Evaluated improvementsNo Action and ClosureEliminated improvement typesN/AEliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)N/AFeasible, not recommended improvementsN/AFeasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)N/AEnvironmental considerationsMinor land use conflicts

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#### Next Steps

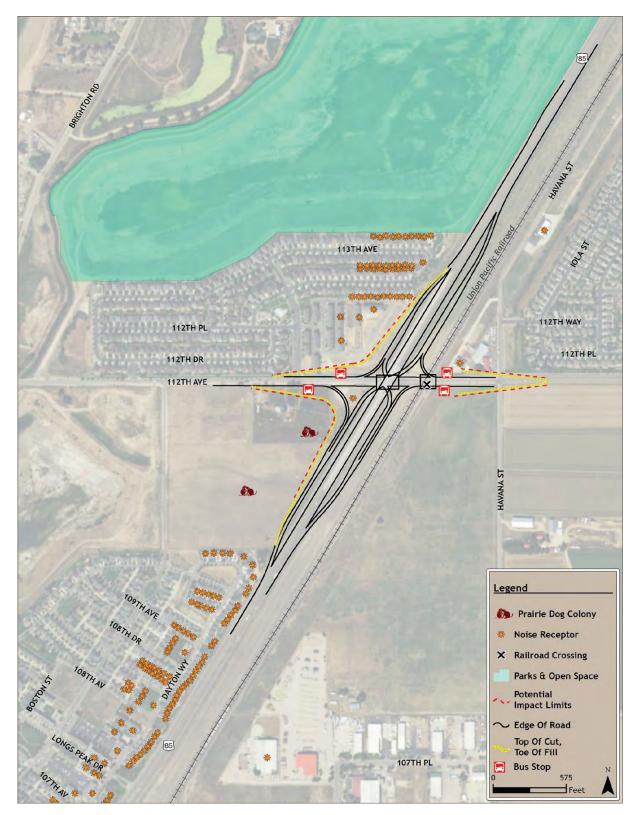
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use and circulation conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Commerce City, Adams County, and CDOT).
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	This section of the US 85 corridor is recommended to operate as a freeway; a closure is compatible with a freeway classification.	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community and corridor context</li> <li>Minor change to access and neighborhood circulation</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000	
Interim improvements	None	



# US 85 AND 112<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, SPUI OPTION





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Traffic signal
Distance from railroad	Approximately 200'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, mobility, railroad proximity, alternative travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	E/D
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	1.5	5	10.75

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	112th Avenue is elevated above US 85 and UPRR
Recommended improvement type(s)	SPUI (Note: a skewed SPUI is also recommended)
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Enhances regional transit service</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, T&amp;E species, and historic resources</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$45,900,000
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Add additional WB left turn lane, extend acel/decl lanes, and signal timing improvement</li> </ul>

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, SPUI, Skewed SPUI, Grade Separated (no access), Single loop partial clover leaf, and closure
Eliminated improvement types	None
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Grade-separated (no access), No Action, Single loop partial clover leaf, and closure
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Does not effectively meet purpose and need</li> <li>Would improve safety and enhance regional transit service</li> <li>Would not meet mobility and access needs</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include impacts to commercial and residential land uses, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, and a potential historic railroad segment.

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's *Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 112<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, SKEWED SPUI OPTION



US 85 and 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Skewed SPUI Option



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Traffic signal
Distance from railroad	Approximately 200'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, mobility, railroad proximity, alternative travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	E/D
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	1.5	5	10.75

# Recommended Improvement

Key observations	112th Avenue is elevated over
Key observations	US 85 and UPRR
Recommended improvement	Skewed SPUI
type(s)	(Note: SPUI is also a
())	recommended alternative)
	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access,</li> </ul>
	safety
	<ul> <li>Moderately fits within</li> </ul>
	community context
	Avoids residential areas in NW
Recommended improvement	quadrant
evaluation (benefits,	<ul> <li>Impacts to land uses south of</li> </ul>
impacts)	112th Ave, T&E species, and
	historic resources
	SPUI does not efficiently
	accommodate through bus
	service (requires additional
Recommended improvement	signal phase)
cost estimate (Does not	\$47,700,000
,	\$47,700,000
include ROW costs)	- Cofoty Doposition flooping
Interim improvements	• Safety - Reposition flashing
	warning signs (W2-1)
	Mobility - Add Additional WB     loft turn lang, extend
	left turn lane, extend
	acel/decel lanes, and signal
	timing improvement

#### **PEL Screening Process**

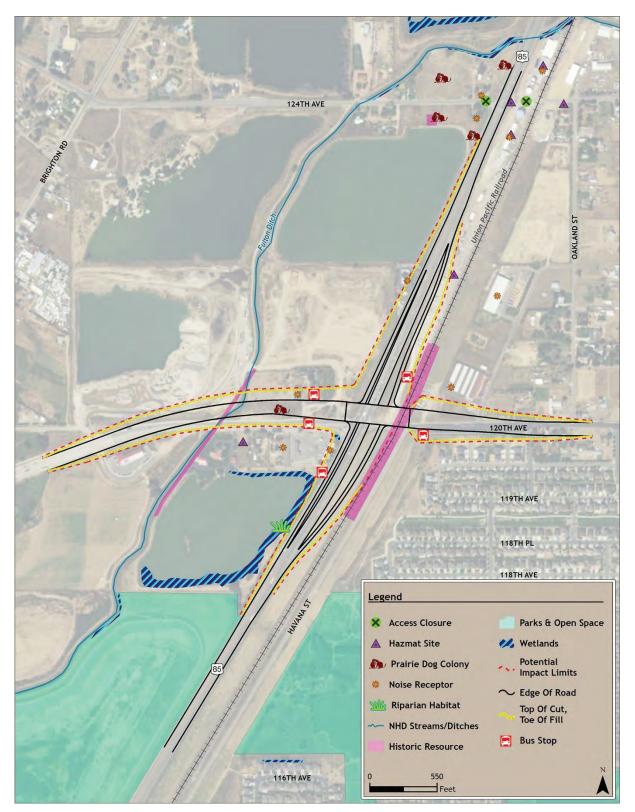
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Evaluated improvements	No Action, SPUI, Skewed SPUI, Grade Separated (no access), Single loop partial clover leaf, and closure	
Eliminated improvement types	None	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Grade Separated (no access), No Action, Single loop partial clover leaf, and closure	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Does not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Would improve safety and enhance regional transit service</li> <li>Would not meet mobility and access needs</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include impacts to commercial and residential land uses, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, and a potential historic railroad segment.	

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's Impacted *Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 120<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, DIAMOND OPTION





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City, Brighton
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Traffic signal
Distance from railroad	Approximately 200'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, mobility, railroad proximity, alternative travel modes
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Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
	·
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/D
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.75	4.5	5	13.25

# Recommended Improvement

Key observations	120th Avenue is elevated over US 85 and UPRR	
Recommended improvement type(s)	<b>Tight Diamond</b> (Note: Diverging Diamond also recommended)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access, and safety</li> <li>Fits within Community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, hazmat facilities, wetlands, T&amp;E species, and NRHP-eligible historic resources</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$44,400,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety- Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Right in-right out</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

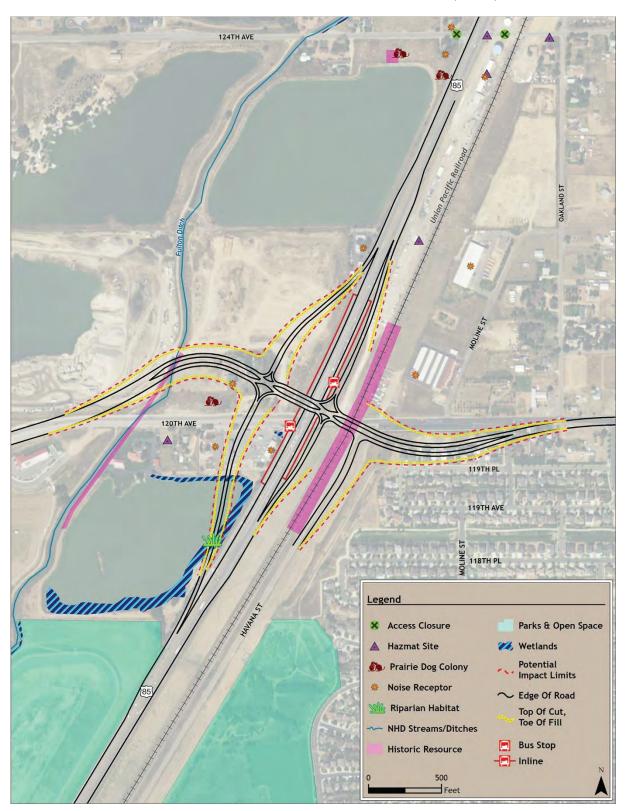
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Partial Cloverleaf, diamond, tight diamond, diverging diamond
Eliminated improvement types	None
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Diamond Interchange, and Partial Cloverleaf
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action alternative would not meet purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond interchange would result in substantial impacts to residential and commercial properties, hazmat facilities, and potentially historic properties</li> <li>Partial Cloverleaf would result in extensive impacts to surrounding properties; not possible to implement loop on railroad side of the highway</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary environmental considerations include land uses, hazmat facilities, wetlands, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, and NRHP- eligible historic resources

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDDT's *Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City, Brighton, and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 120<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, DIVERGIVING DIAMOND (DDI) OPTION





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Commerce City, Brighton
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County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Traffic signal
Distance from railroad	Approximately 200'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, mobility, railroad
	proximity, alternative travel
	modes
Existing roadway	Standard expressway
classification	oraniaara onprocentaj
PEL recommended	Freeway
classification	Treeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/D
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	120th Avenue is elevated over
	US 85 and UPRR
Recommended	Diverging Diamond
	(Note: Tight Diamond also
improvement type(s)	recommended)
	Improves access and safety
	<ul> <li>Fits within the context of the community</li> </ul>
Recommended	<ul> <li>Impacts to land uses, hazmat</li> </ul>
improvement evaluation	facilities, wetlands, T&E
(benefits, impacts)	species, and NRHP-eligible
	historic resources
	<ul> <li>Does not effectively support</li> </ul>
	through bus movements
Recommended	
improvement cost estimate	\$49,700,000
(Does not include ROW	
costs)	
	Safety- Reposition flashing
Interim improvements	warning signs (W2-1)
	<ul> <li>Mobility - Right in-right out</li> </ul>

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.75	4.5	5	13.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

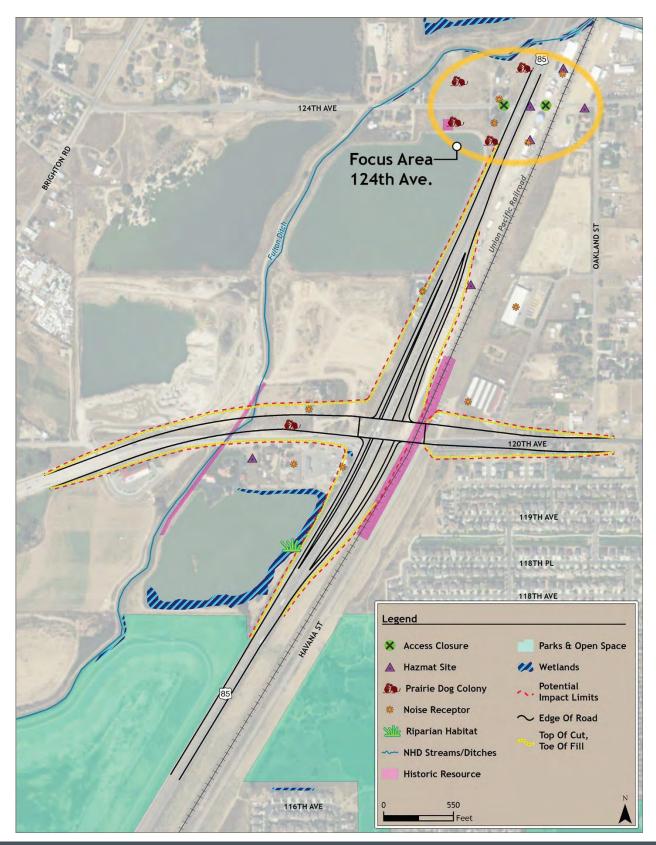
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Partial Cloverleaf, diamond, tight diamond, diverging diamond	
Eliminated improvement types	None	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Diamond Interchange and Partial Cloverleaf	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action alternative would not meet purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond would meet access and safety needs</li> <li>Diamond would result in substantial impacts to residential and commercial properties, hazmat facilities, and potentially historic properties</li> <li>Partial Cloverleaf would result in extensive impacts to surrounding properties; not possible to implement loop on railroad side of the highway</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary environmental considerations include commercial and residential land uses, hazmat facilities, wetlands, black-tailed prairie dog habitat, potential Western Burrowing Owl habitat, and NRHP-eligible historic resources	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. • Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Commerce City, Brighton, and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124th Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 124<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE



US 85 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 200'	
Known problems (based on	Mobility, railroad proximity,	
	access	
PEL purpose and need)	access	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure will not happen until access to the interchange at 120 <sup>th</sup> Avenue is provided	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would meet access and safety needs</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Potential impacts to land use and Hazmat facility</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Right in-right out</li> </ul>	

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.75	4	4.5	12.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

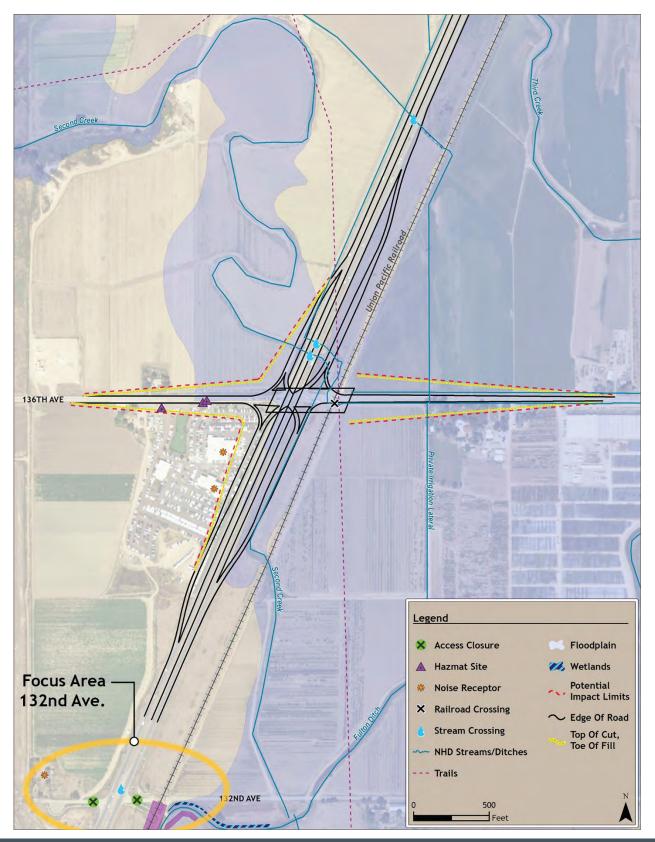
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Grade-separated interchange, and closure	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action and Grade-separated interchange	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not meet purpose and need</li> <li>The grade-separated interchange would not meet access needs and would result in extensive commercial land use impacts</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include residential and commercial land uses and a hazmat facility	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Brighton, Adams County, and CDOT).
- The City of Commerce City Council has formally requested that CDOT evaluate the improvements between I-76 and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue as complete system, provide a more thorough analysis of community and environmental impacts, consider an alternate interchange layout at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and reconsider closures. CDOT has initiated a NEPA and 30% Design Project where this analysis and consideration will occur, subsequent to the completion of the US 85 PEL.



# US 85 AND 132<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE



US 85 and 132<sup>nd</sup> Avenue



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	<sup>3</sup> ⁄4 movement	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 200'	
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity	
PEL purpose and need)		
	<u> </u>	
Existing roadway	Standard expressively	
classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended	Freeway	
classification	Treeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure supported by new interchange at 136th Avenue
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Meets access needs</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Potential impacts to agriculture</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3	1	0	4

#### **PEL Screening Process**

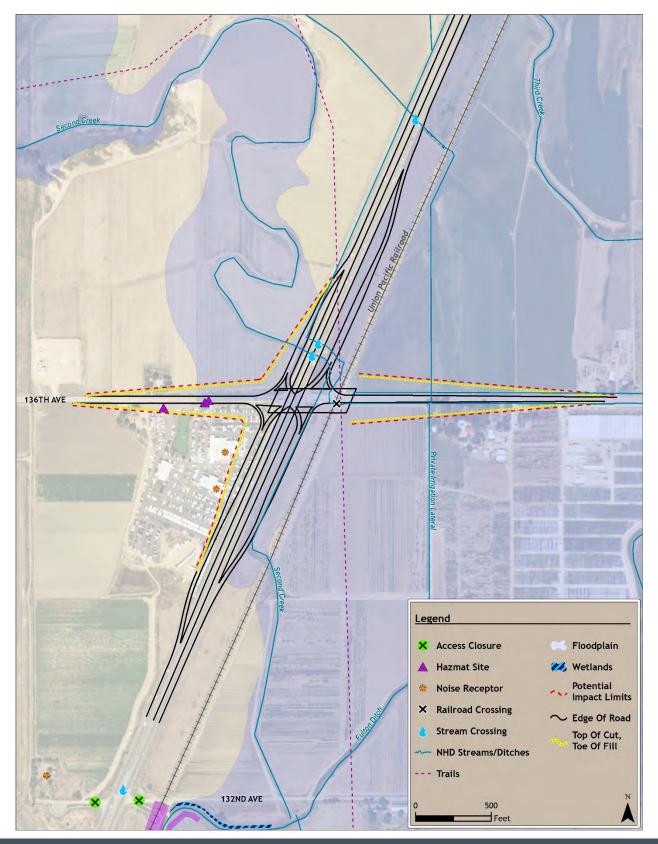
Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would not meet Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	Primary environmental considerations are potential impacts to agricultural lands

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize impacts to agricultural lands.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Commerce City, Adams County, and CDOT).



# US 85 AND 136<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, SPUI



US 85 and 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue, SPUI Option



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 220'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, railroad proximity,	
PEL purpose and need)	access	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	В/В	
2035 No-Action LOS	C/C	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.5	3.5	3.5	8.5

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Diamond, Partial cloverleaf, Junior, RI/RO interchange, SPUI, Northern SPUI	
Eliminated improvement types	None	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Partial cloverleaf, Diamond Interchange and Junior RI/RO interchange	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond has substantial impacts to commercial and agricultural land uses</li> <li>Partial cloverleaf and Junior RI/RO interchange would not meet access needs</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, hazmat sites, Second Creek floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources	

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#### **Next Steps**

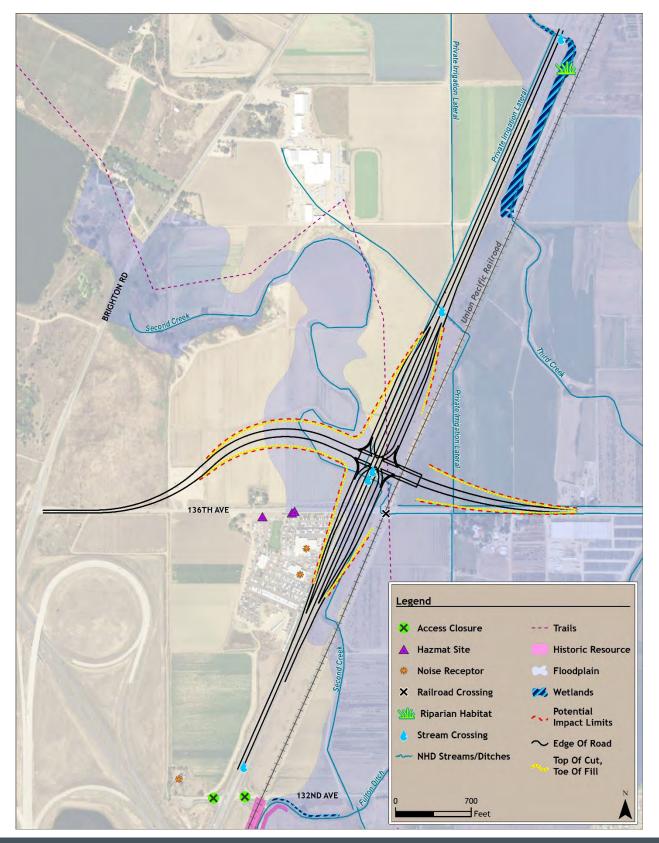
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of Second Creek may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 136th Avenue.

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	136th Avenue is elevated over	
	US 85 and UPRR	
Recommended	SPUI (Note: SPUI shifted north is	
improvement type(s)	also recommended)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, hazmat sites, floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources</li> <li>SPUI configuration does not effectively support through bus movements</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$39,100,000	
Interim improvements	Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)	



# US 85 AND 136<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, NORTHERN SPUI



US 85 and 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Northern SPUI Option



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 220'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, railroad proximity,	
PEL purpose and need)	access	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	C/C	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.5	3.5	3.5	8.5

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Diamond, Partial cloverleaf, Junior, RI/RO interchange, SPUI	
Eliminated improvement types	None	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Partial cloverleaf, Diamond Interchange and Junior RI/RO interchange	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond has substantial impacts to commercial and agricultural land uses</li> <li>Partial cloverleaf and Junior RI/RO interchange would not meet access needs</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, Second Creek floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### Next Steps

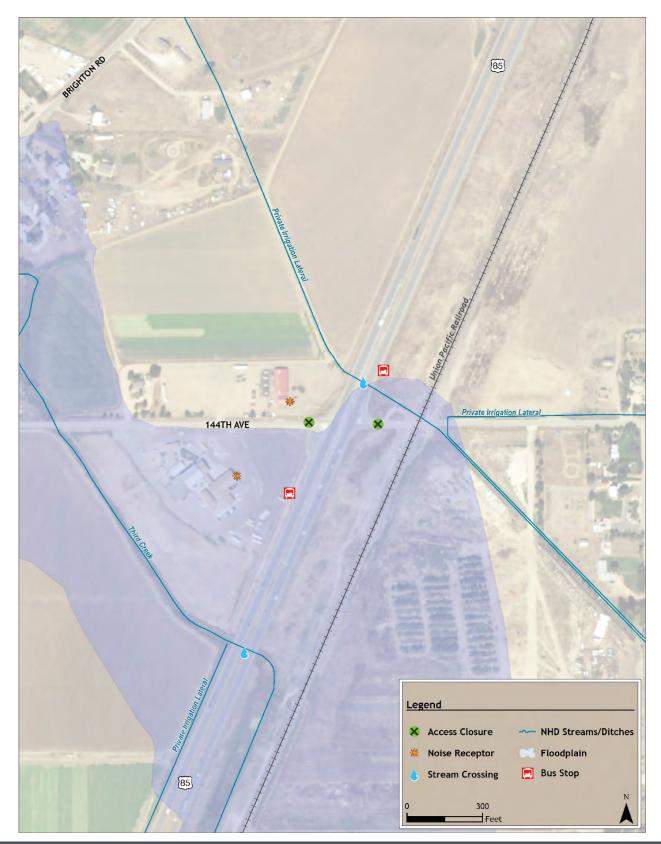
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of Second Creek may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 136th Avenue.

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	136th Avenue is elevated over US 85 and UPRR	
Recommended	Northern SPUI (Note: a SPUI is	
improvement type(s)	also recommended)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Avoids development in SW and SE intersection quadrants</li> <li>Impacts to land use, floodplain, wetlands, and historic resources</li> <li>SPUI configuration does not effectively support through bus movements</li> </ul>	
Recommended		
improvement cost estimate	\$42,200,000 (Est. 5% more than	
(Does not include ROW	136 <sup>th</sup> Ave. SPUI)	
costs)		
Interim improvements	Safety - Reposition flashing	
interim improvements	warning signs (W2-1)	



# US 85 AND 144<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE



US 85 and 144<sup>th</sup> Avenue



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton	
County(ies)	Adams County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	<sup>3</sup> ⁄ <sub>4</sub> movement	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 220'	
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	B/C	

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	5	2	8.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

#### No action, Diamond, Grade-separated/no access, SPUI, and closure **Evaluated improvements** Eliminated improvement types None Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts) N/A Feasible, not recommended improvements No Action, Grade-separated with no access, Diamond, and SPUI No Action would not effectively address purpose and need Grade-separation would meet safety or access needs Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts) Diamond and SPUI interchanges would result in substantial land use • impacts Primary environmental considerations are associated with potential impacts **Environmental considerations** to land uses, potentially historic railroad segment, Elmwood Cemetery (section 4(f) resource), and wetlands

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### Next Steps

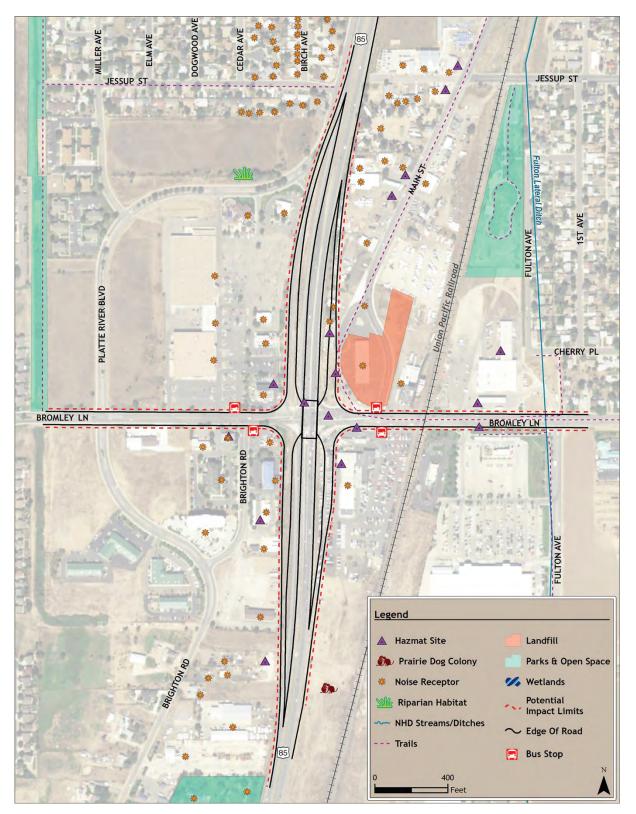
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize impacts to land uses and traffic operations.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD on services changes to routes R, RC, RX.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Brighton, Adams County, and CDOT).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure is supported by interchange at Bromley Lane	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Meets access and safety needs</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Potential impacts to land uses, historic resources, and wetlands</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$300,000	
Interim improvements	None	



# **US 85 AND BROMLEY LANE**



US 85 and Bromley Lane



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Traffic signal
Distance from railroad	Approximately 550'
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,
PEL purpose and need)	alternate travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
Classification	
	1
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/E
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.25	4.5	5	13.75

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	US 85 is elevated over Bromley Lane	
Recommended improvement type(s)	SPUI	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access, safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, hazmat sites, Section 4(f) resources, T &amp; E Species, and historic resources</li> <li>SPUI configuration does not effectively support through bus movements</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$27,400,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Additional left turn SB and WB and signal timing improvements</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Diamond, SPUI
Eliminated improvement types	None
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Diamond interchange
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond would not meet mobility and access needs</li> <li>Diamond interchange has substantial impacts to commercial land uses and residential areas</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, T & E Species, Section 4(f) resources (Bromley Lane bike path), hazmat sites, and historic resources

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's *Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service will be required to ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment vould be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable.



# US 85 AND BRIDGE STREET/SH 7



US 85 and Bridge Street/SH 7



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Interchange with roundabouts
Distance from railroad	Approximately 800'
Known problems (based on	Alterrete medee
PEL purpose and need)	Alternate modes
Existing roadway	Standard expressway
classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended	F
classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	NB: A/B, SB: C/F
2035 No-Action LOS	NB: F/F, SB: F/F

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total) NB/SB

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3/4.25	0/0	0/0	3/4.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

# Evaluated improvementsNo Action, bus slip ramps to stationEliminated improvement typesN/AEliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)N/AFeasible, not recommended improvementsNo ActionFeasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)Would not effectively address purpose and needEnvironmental considerationsPrimary considerations include commercial land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### **Next Steps**

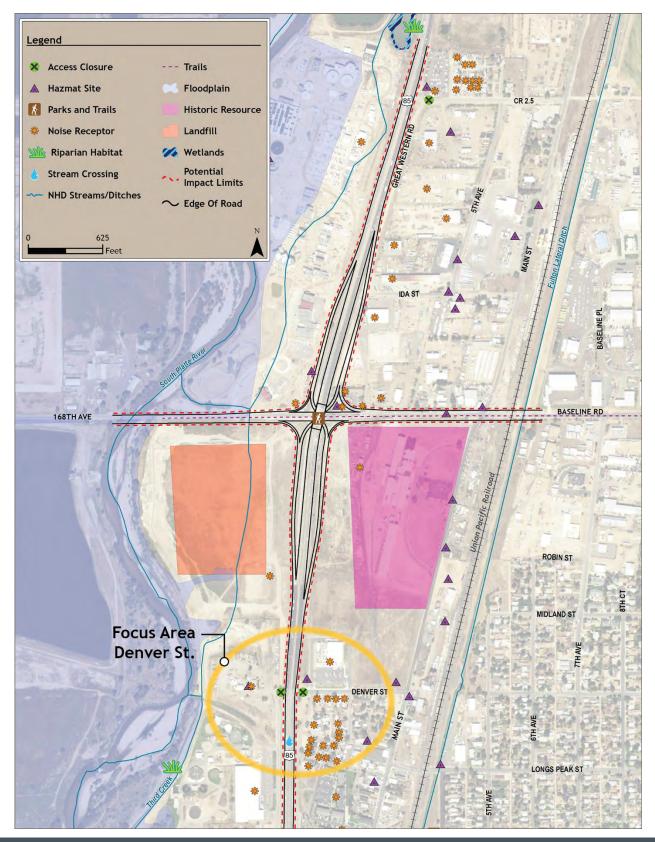
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Brighton, Adams County and RTD to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design.

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Ties into existing bus stop	
Recommended	Addition of bus slip ramps, grade	
improvement type(s)	separated crossing	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access and transit service</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$600,000	
Interim improvements	Safety - Review the signing and upgrade to conform to MUTCD guidance	



# **US 85 AND DENVER STREET**



US 85 and Denver Street



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton
County(ies)	Adams County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Unsignalized, full movement
Distance from railroad	N/A
Known problems (based on	Safety
PEL purpose and need)	
Existing roadway	Standard expressway
classification	
PEL recommended	Freeway
classification	Treeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	E/B

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure would happen in conjunction with the interchange at WCR 2	
improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within corridor and community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety: WB right-out only (2013)</li> <li>Mobility: Closure, except for emergency access</li> </ul>	

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.75	1.5	0	3.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

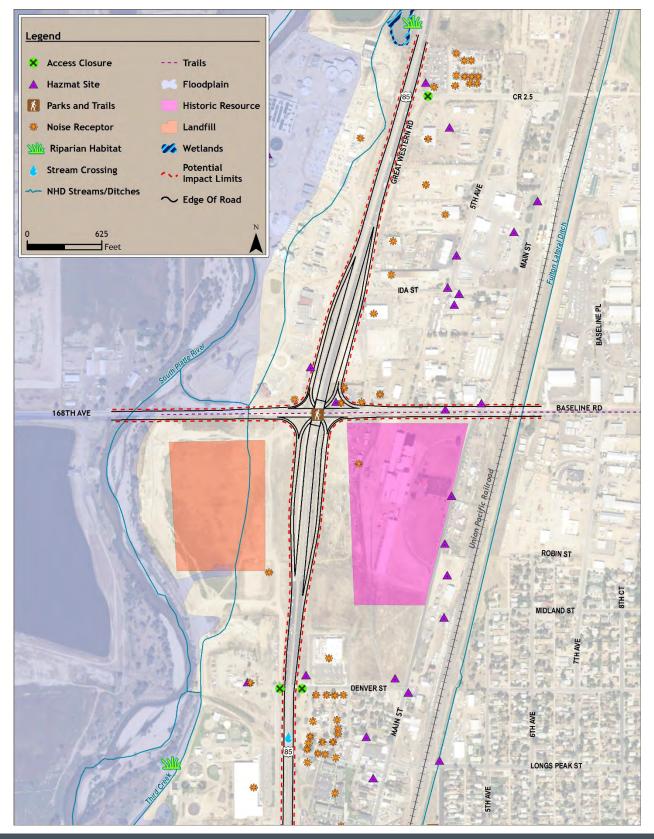
Evaluated improvements	No Action and Closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to commercial land uses (changes in travel patterns)

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Brighton and Adams County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Brighton, Adams County, and CDOT).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



## US 85 AND 168<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE/BASELINE ROAD/WCR 2



US 85 and 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Baseline Road/WCR 2



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton	
County(ies)	Adams County, Weld County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 1400'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Mobility, access	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.5	4	2	9.5

Key observations	US 85 is elevated over 168th Avenue	
Recommended improvement type(s)	SPUI	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resource, NRHP resource,</li> <li>Impacts to wetlands, floodplain, T&amp;E species, hazmat site</li> <li>SPUI configuration does not effectively support through bus movements</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement		
cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$31,100,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Additional left turn lanes EB and WB; signal timing improvements</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

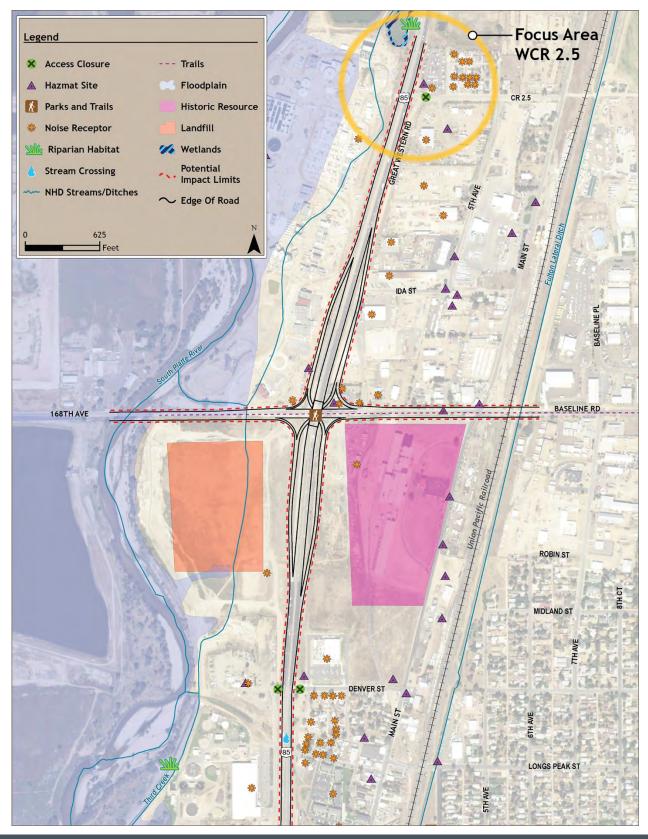
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Diamond and SPUI	
Eliminated improvement types	None	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Diamond	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond would not meet access need</li> <li>Diamond would result in substantial impacts to adjacent land uses</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, Section 4(f) resource (County Line Trail bike lane), NRHP resource, wetlands, floodplain, T&E species (migratory bird nesting), hazmat site	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Potential changes in the floodplain of South Platte River may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Brighton, Adams County and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.



## **US 85 AND WCR 2.5**



US 85 and WCR 2.5



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Brighton		
County(ies)	Weld County		
MPO/TPR	DRCOG		
Existing facility type	<sup>3</sup> ⁄ <sub>4</sub> movement		
Distance from railroad	N/A		
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No significant issues		
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway		
PEL recommended classification	Freeway		
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A		
2035 No-Action LOS	С/В		

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure would happen in conjunction with the interchange at WCR 2	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve access and safety</li> <li>Minor impacts to commercial land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000	
Interim improvements	None	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	2	0	3.25

## **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would not meet access requirements	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include commercial land uses	

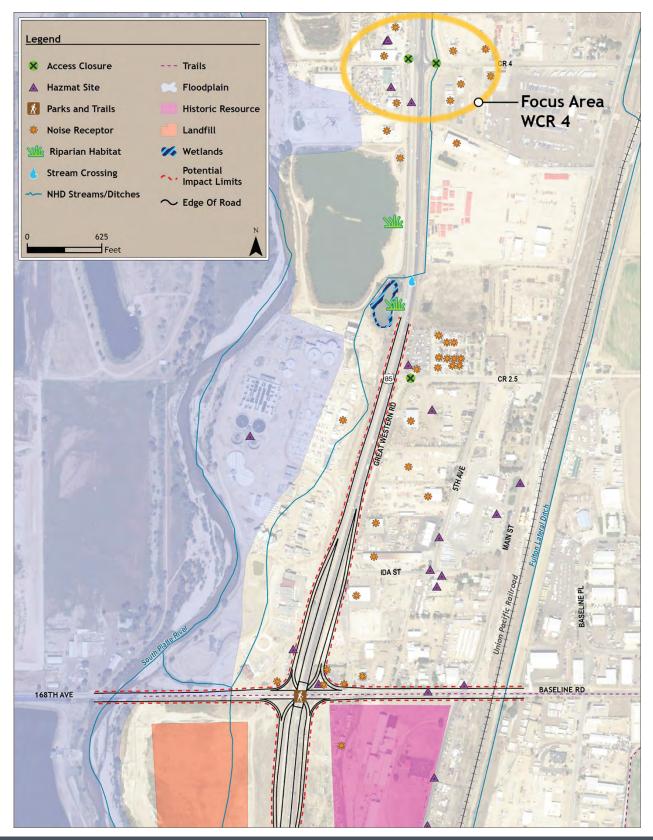
For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Brighton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Brighton, Weld County, and CDOT).



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## US 85 AND WCR 4



US 85 and WCR 4



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	N/A		
County(ies)	Weld County		
MPO/TPR	DRCOG		
Existing facility type	<sup>3</sup> ⁄ <sub>4</sub> movement		
Distance from railroad	Approximately 1750'		
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No significant issues		
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway		
PEL recommended classification	Freeway		
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A		
2035 No-Action LOS	C/E		

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure would happen in conjunction with the interchange at WCR 2 and WCR 6	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000	
Interim improvements	Mobility - Right-in, right-out on west leg	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2	1.5	1	4.5

## **PEL Screening Process**

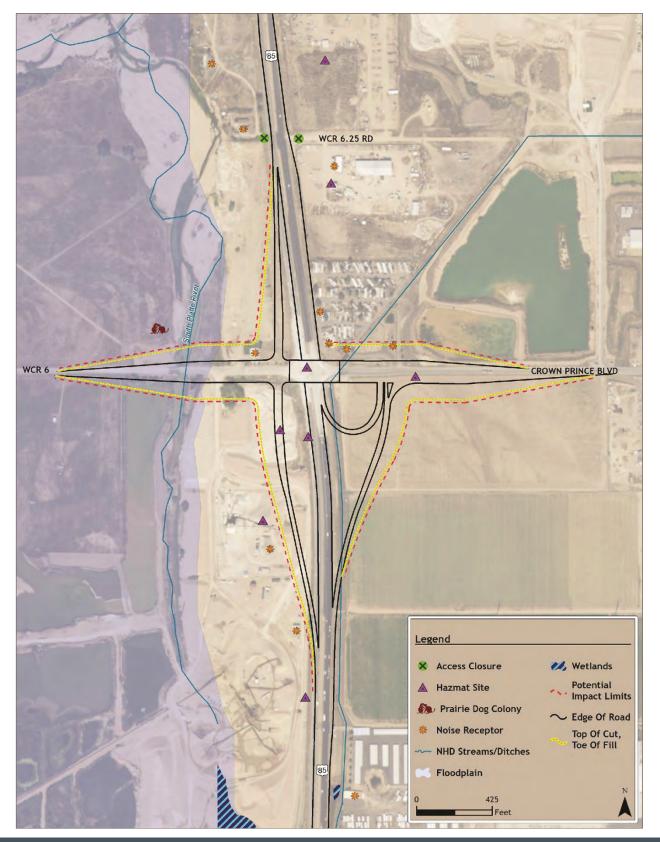
Evaluated improvements	No Action, grade separation, and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action and grade separation
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action does not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Grade separation would meet access and safety needs, but would not be cost effective</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include commercial land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County, to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County and CDOT).



# US 85 AND WCR 6, PARTIAL LOOP



US 85 and WCR 6, Partial Loop



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Fort Lupton
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	DRCOG
Existing facility type	Traffic signal
Distance from railroad	Approximately 2700'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, mobility, access
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/B
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	WCR 6 is elevated over US 85.	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Partial Cloverleaf	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, historic resources, South Platte floodplain, wetlands, T&amp;E species and hazmat site</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$22,200,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> </ul>	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3	1.5	1	5.5

#### **PEL Screening Process**

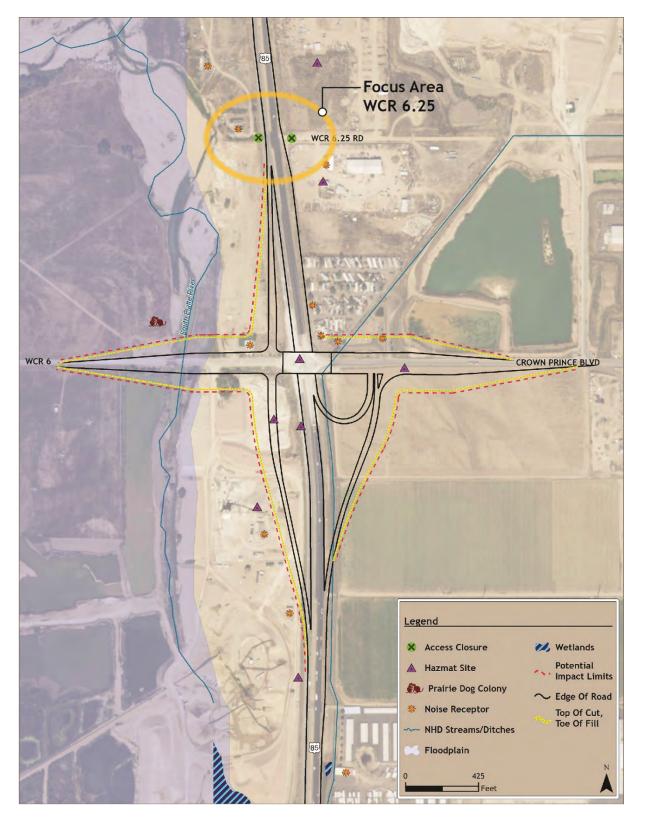
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Partial Cloverleaf, and Diamond
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action and Diamond
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>The tight diamond may result in the complete take of a mobile home community</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, historic resource, wetlands, South Platte River floodplain, T&E species and riparian, hazmat site.

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of South Platte River may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and the migratory birds. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Fort Lupton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.



## **US 85 AND WCR 6.25**



US 85 and WCR 6.25



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Fort Lupton	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	DRCOG	
Existing facility type	Unsignalized, full movement	
Distance from railroad	N/A	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No significant issues	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B	

## **Recommended Improvement**

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Key observations Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure would happen in conjunction with interchange at WCR 6 Closure • Would improve safety
Recommended improvement evaluation	<ul> <li>Fits within community context</li> </ul>
(benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Minor impacts to commercial</li> </ul>
(,	land uses
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000
Interim improvements	None

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	0	2

#### **PEL Screening Process**

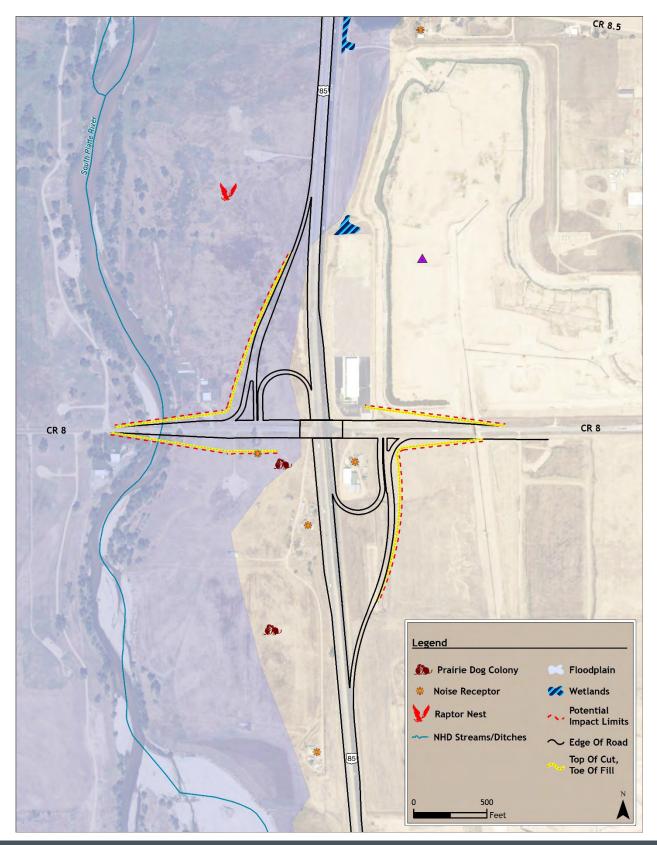
Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would not meet corridor access requirements
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include access to commercial land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Fort Lupton and Weld County, to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Fort Lupton, Weld County, and CDOT).



## **US 85 AND WCR 8**



US 85 and WCR 8



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Fort Lupton	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Unsignalized, full movement	
Distance from railroad	N/A	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No major issues	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Freeway	
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.25	3	0	6.25

# Recommended Improvement

Key observations	WCR 8 is elevated over US 85 and has existing connectivity over the South Platte River.
Recommended	Partial cloverleaf junior
improvement type(s)	interchange with hook ramps
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, wetlands, floodplain, T&amp;E species</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$24,700,000
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - WB right out only if broadsides persist</li> <li>Mobility - Signalization, when warranted</li> </ul>

## **PEL Screening Process**

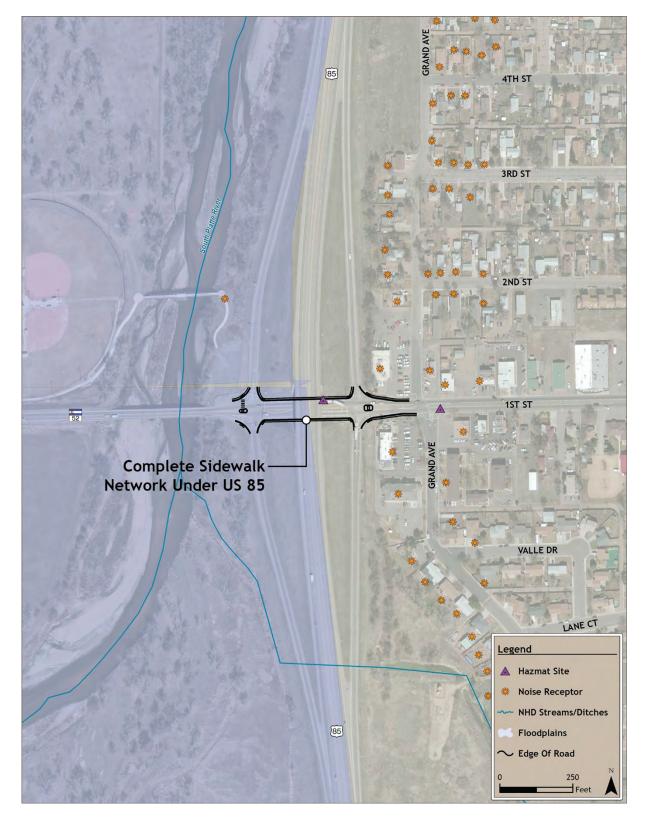
Evaluated improvements	No Action, partial cloverleaf, and diamond
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action and diamond
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond result in substantial commercial and residential impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, wetlands, Platte River floodplain, and T&E species

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Substantial changes in the floodplain of South Platte River may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and migratory birds. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Fort Lupton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.



## **US 85 AND SH 52**





## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Fort Lupton
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Diamond interchange
Distance from railroad	N/A
Known problems (based on	Mobility, alternative travel
PEL purpose and need)	mode
Existing roadway	Standard expressway
classification	Standard expressivay
PEL recommended	Francisco
classification	Freeway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	NB: C/C, SB: B/B
2035 No-Action LOS	NB: C/C, SB: C/F

## Prioritization (1-5 each, 15 total) NB/SB

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2/2.25	0/0	0/0	2/2.25

## **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and pedestrian improvements
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)         Would not effectively address purpose and need	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to commercial land uses and floodplain

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#### **Next Steps**

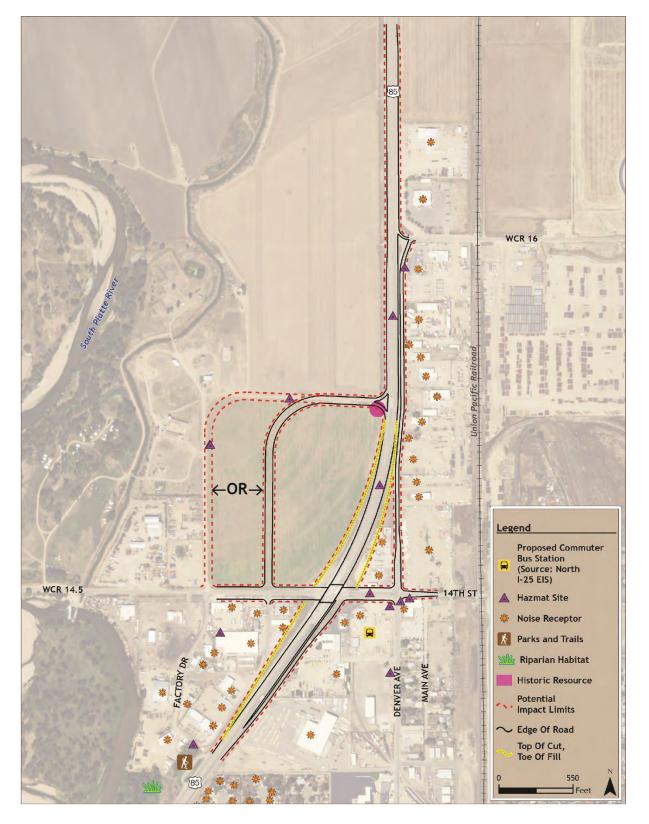
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Fort Lupton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use • conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, ٠ and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Pedestrian improvements are needed to connect to the pedestrian bridge over the South Platte River
Recommended improvement type(s)	Pedestrian improvements
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve pedestrian access</li> <li>Minor impact to South Platte River Floodplain</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000
Interim improvements	None



## US 85 AND 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET/WCR 14.5





## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Fort Lupton	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 900'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, alternative	
PEL purpose and need)	travel mode	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended	Freeway to enhanced	
classification	expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.5	5	2.5	11

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	A commuter bus station is identified to be in the southeast quadrant of US 85 and 14th Street/WCR 14.5. The exact location of the alignment can be determined at the time of improvement.
Recommended improvement type(s)	Junior interchange
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, hazmat sites, and historic resource</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$31,400,000 (includes WCR 16)
Interim improvements	Safety - Protected left turns only from US 85, reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)

#### **PEL Screening Process**

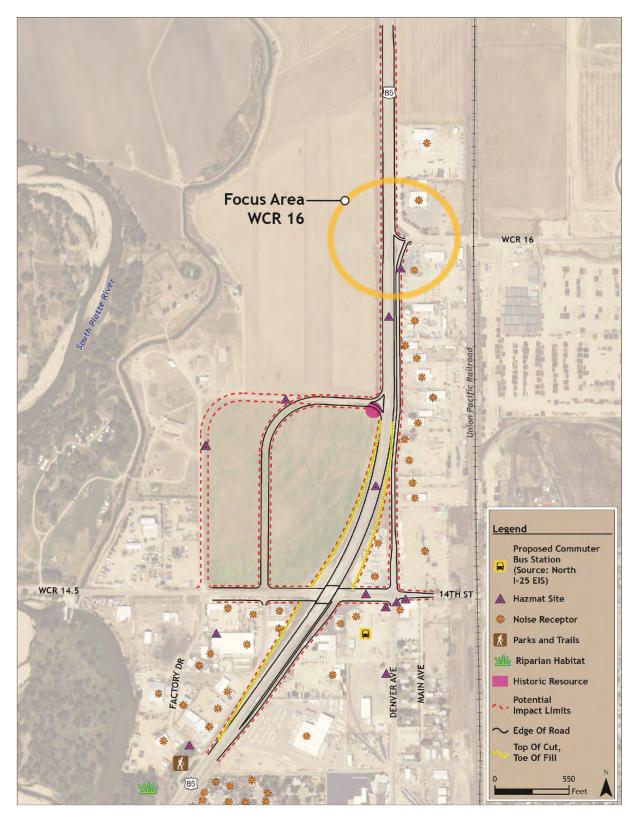
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Diamond, SPUI, Channelized-T, and Junior Interchange	
Eliminated improvement types	Diamond	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul><li>Would improve mobility, access and safety</li><li>Substantial impacts to businesses</li></ul>	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, SPUI, and Channelized-T	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>SPUI would effectively address purpose and need, with substantial impacts to businesses</li> <li>Channelized-T would improve safety; however, left turns may create mobility issues</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include land uses, hazmat sites and historic resource	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Fort Lupton and Weld County, to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with CDOT on the implementation of interregional commuter bus service as identified in the North I-25 EIS ROD 1.



## **US 85 AND WCR 16**





## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Fort Lupton	
Manicipanty(ics)		
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Right-in, right-out (RIRO)	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 550'	
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity, access	
PEL purpose and need)	Ramoau proximity, access	
Existing roadway	Standard expressway	
classification	Standard expressivaly	
PEL recommended	Enhanced expressway	
classification	Enhanced expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-	
2035 No-Action LOS	-	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	2.5	1.5	5.25

## **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, RIRO and Closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action and Closure
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Closure would meet access and safety needs, however the RIRO is needed to complement the WCR 14.5 Junior interchange</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include commercial land uses and hazmat site

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### **Next Steps**

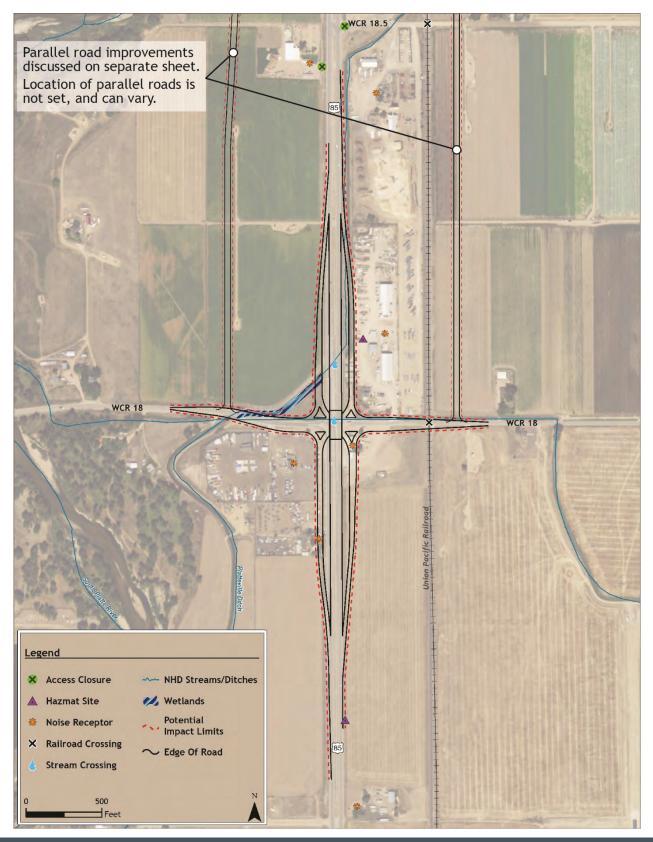
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Fort Lupton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

## **Recommended Improvement**

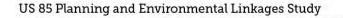
Key observations	Completed in coordination with improvements at WCR 14.5. Outcome at WCR 16 is dependent on type of improvement implemented at WCR 14.5/14 <sup>th</sup> Street.	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Right-in, right-out	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use and hazmat sites</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$31,400,000 (includes WCR 14.5)	
Interim improvements	Safety - addressed by closing median (2012)	



## **US 85 AND WCR 18**



US 85 and WCR 18





## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 550'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, railroad proximity,	
PEL purpose and need)	access	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/E	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2.75	4.5	1.5	8.75

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	<ul> <li>US 85 elevated over WCR 18.</li> <li>Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel roads system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement type(s)	SPUI
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Meets mobility, access and safety needs</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to commercial hazmat facility, wetlands, T&amp;E species, and historic resources</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$27,500,000
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Closing median to create right-in, right out (RIRO)</li> <li>Mobility - Signalization, when warranted</li> </ul>

## **PEL Screening Process**

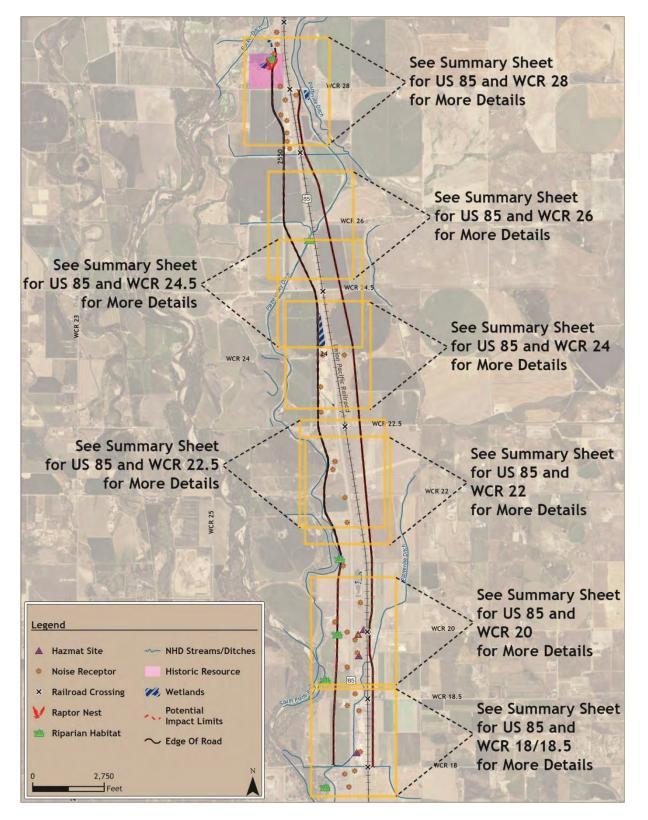
Evaluated improvements	No Action, traffic signal, continuous flow, Shifted SPUI, SPUI, Hook ramps, and diamond
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Hook ramps, and diamond Traffic signal, continuous flow
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Hook Ramps would impact local businesses</li> <li>Diamond interchange would result in substantial business impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include impacts to a commercial hazmat facility, wetlands, South Platte River floodplain, and historic resources (Platteville Ditch and railroad segment). Potential to avoid riparian areas and migratory bird habitats.

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and the migratory birds. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



## **US 85 AND WCR 18 TO WCR 28 PARALLEL ROADS**





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Located between Fort Lupton and Platteville	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	DNE	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on		
PEL purpose and need)		
Existing roadway classification	DNE	
PEL recommended		
classification	Collector road	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-	

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	The parallel road improvements must be in place in order for the proposed activities at WCR 18, WCR 18.5, WCR 20, WCR 22, WCR 22.5, WCR 24, WCR 24.5, WCR 26, and WCR 28 to proceed.
Recommended	Collector road parallel to
improvement type(s)	highway; exact alignment TBD
Recommended	<ul> <li>Improves safety and mobility</li> </ul>
improvement evaluation	<ul> <li>Supports highway operations</li> </ul>
(benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Minor impacts to land use</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$36,600,000
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
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#### **PEL Screening Process**

2035 No-Action LOS

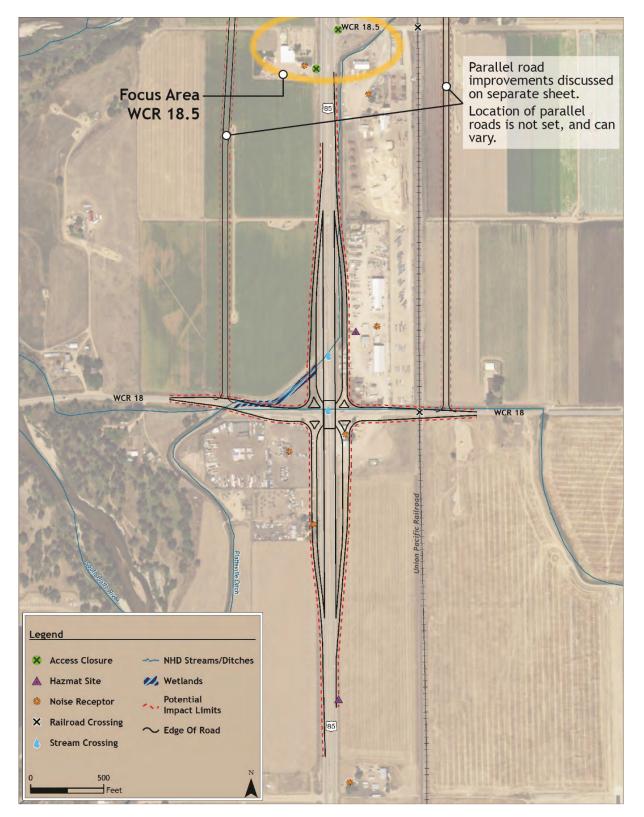
Evaluated improvements	No Action, parallel roads
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not support the highway operations
Environmental considerations	Considerations include minor impacts to agriculture, and impacts on a historic ditch (near WCR 26)

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts



## **US 85 AND WCR 18.5**



US 85 and WCR 18.5



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 550'
Known problems (based on	Safety, railroad proximity,
PEL purpose and need)	access
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Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	-
2035 No-Action LOS	-

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1.5	1	3.75

## **PEL Screening Process**

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure would happen in conjunction with the interchange at WCR 18. Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel roads system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000	
Interim improvements	None	

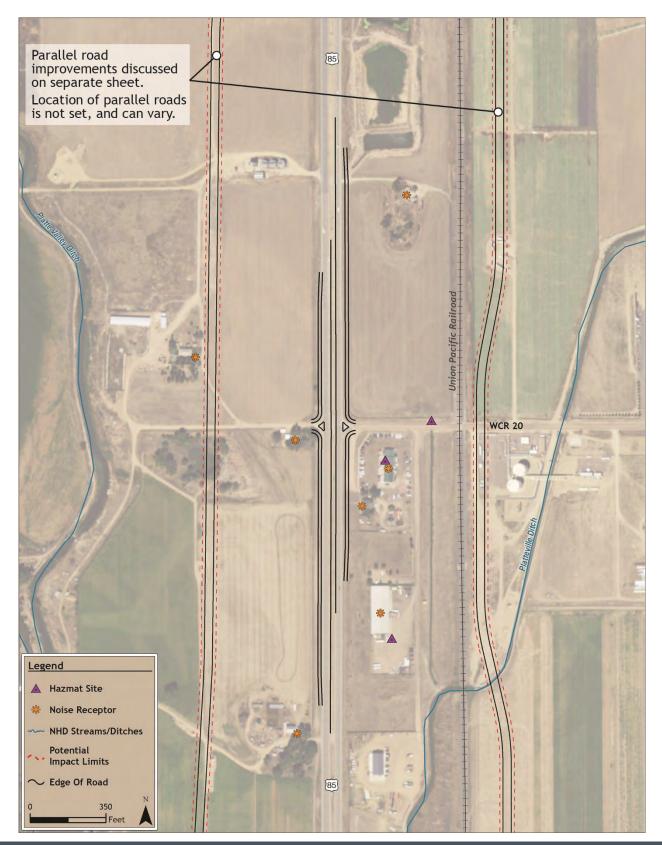
Evaluated improvements	No Action, right-in right-out, closure	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements         No Action, right-in right-out		
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action - would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Right-in, right-out - Spacing with WCR 18 may be too close to ramps</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include local commercial land uses	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



## **US 85 AND WCR 20**



US 85 and WCR 20



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 500'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-
2035 No-Action LOS	-

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	1	3.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

# Evaluated improvementsNo Action, RIRO, and ClosureEliminated improvement typesN/AEliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)N/AFeasible, not recommended improvementsNo Action and ClosureFeasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)• No Action would not effectively address purpose and need<br/>• Closure suitable for supporting parallel road systemEnvironmental considerationsPrimary considerations include commercial and residential impacts

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#### **Next Steps**

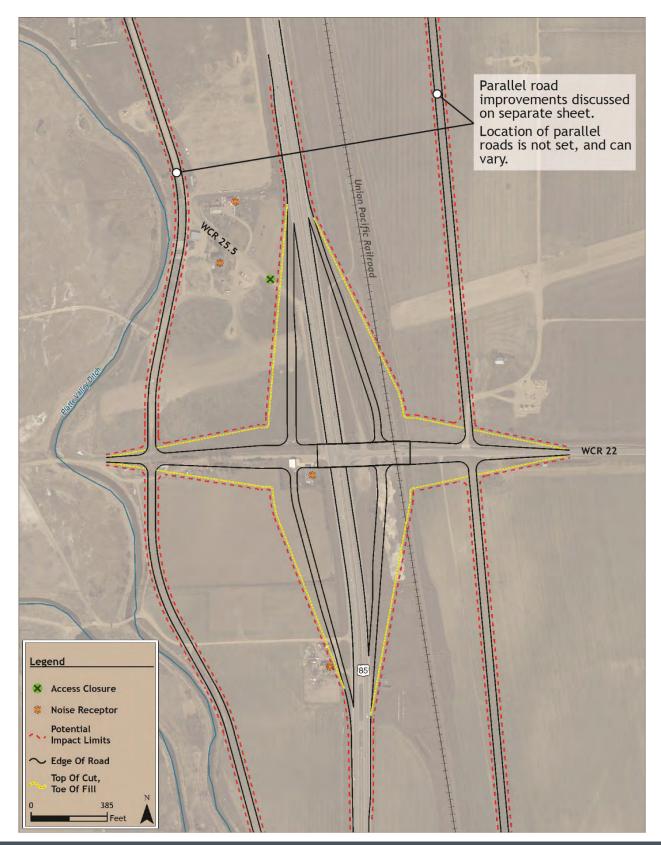
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel road system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Right-in, right-out (RIRO)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Allows access and improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$800,000	
Interim improvements	None	



## **US 85 AND WCR 22**



US 85 and WCR 22



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 225'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, railroad proximity,	
PEL purpose and need)	access	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	B/F	

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel roads system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.
Recommended improvement type(s)	Diamond interchange
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$32,000,000
Interim improvements	Safety - Advanced intersection warning signs, convert to RIRO Mobility - Additional WB left turn lane

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2	3	3.5	8.5

## **PEL Screening Process**

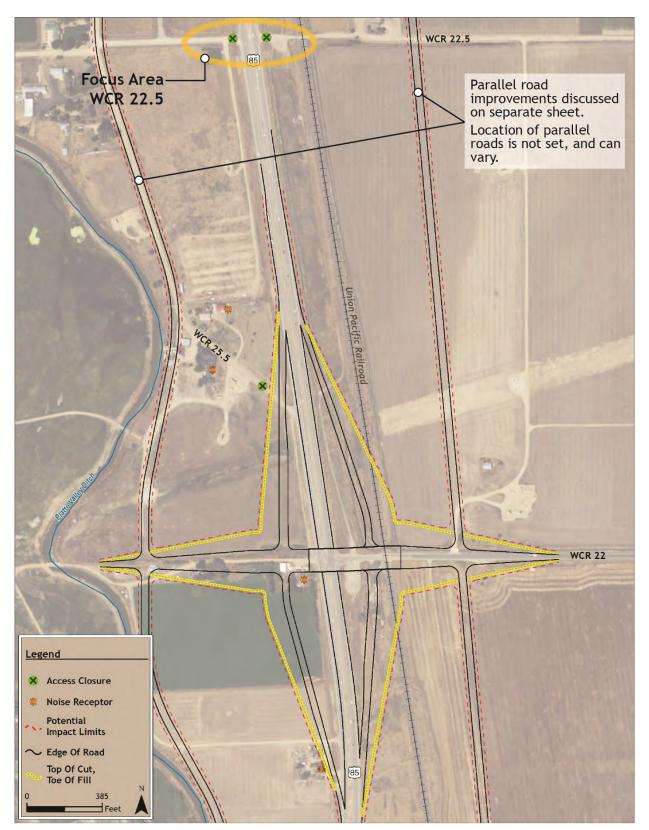
Evaluated improvements	No Action and diamond interchange
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements         No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)         Would not effectively address purpose and need	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include substantial impacts to agricultural and residential land uses in the SW portion of intersection

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



## **US 85 AND WCR 22.5**



US 85 and WCR 22.5



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 225'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-
2035 No-Action LOS	-

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	2	4.25

# PEL Screening Process

Key observations	<ul> <li>Closure would happen in conjunction with interchange at WCR 22.</li> <li>Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel road system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Impacts to land uses</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Parallel road could affect potentially historic ditch</li> </ul>	
Recommended		

\$100,000

None

**Recommended Improvement** 

improvement cost estimate

(Does not include ROW

Interim improvements

costs)

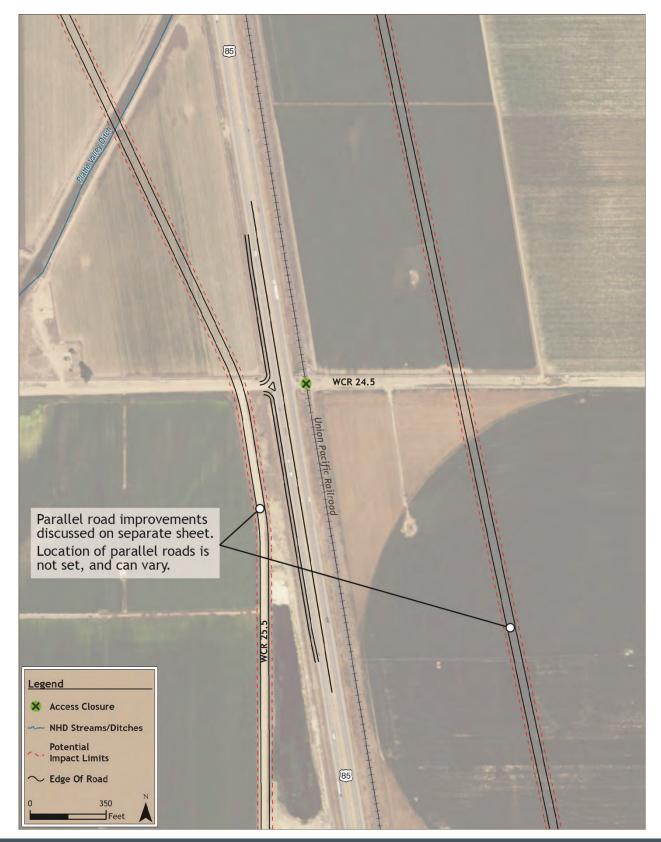
Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include impacts to agriculture, and historic ditch

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



## **US 85 AND WCR 24.5**



US 85 and WCR 24.5



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity	

Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway	
PEL recommended	Enhanced expressway	
classification	Enhanced expressway	

Existing LOS, AM/PM	-
2035 No-Action LOS	-

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	2	4.25

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and RIRO
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Considerations include minor impacts to agriculture, and impacts on a historic ditch from parallel road

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### **Next Steps**

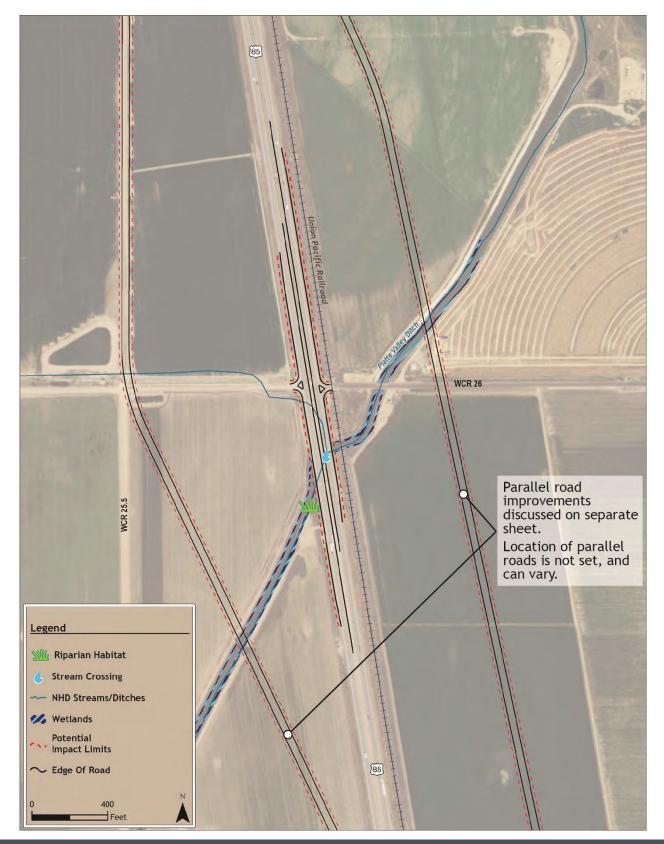
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel road system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Right-in, right-out (west side) and closure (east side)	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Allows access and improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use and historic ditch</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$400,000	
Interim improvements	None	



## **US 85 AND WCR 26**



US 85 and WCR 26



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, railroad proximity	
PEL purpose and need)		
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Existing roadway	Enhanced expressway	
classification	Enhanced expressway	
PEL recommended	Enhanced expressival	
classification	Enhanced expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-	
2035 No-Action LOS	-	

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel road system between WCR 18 and WCR 28.
Recommended improvement type(s)	Right-in, right-out (RIRO)
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use and historic ditch</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$800,000
Interim improvements	None

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	2.5	4.75

#### **PEL Screening Process**

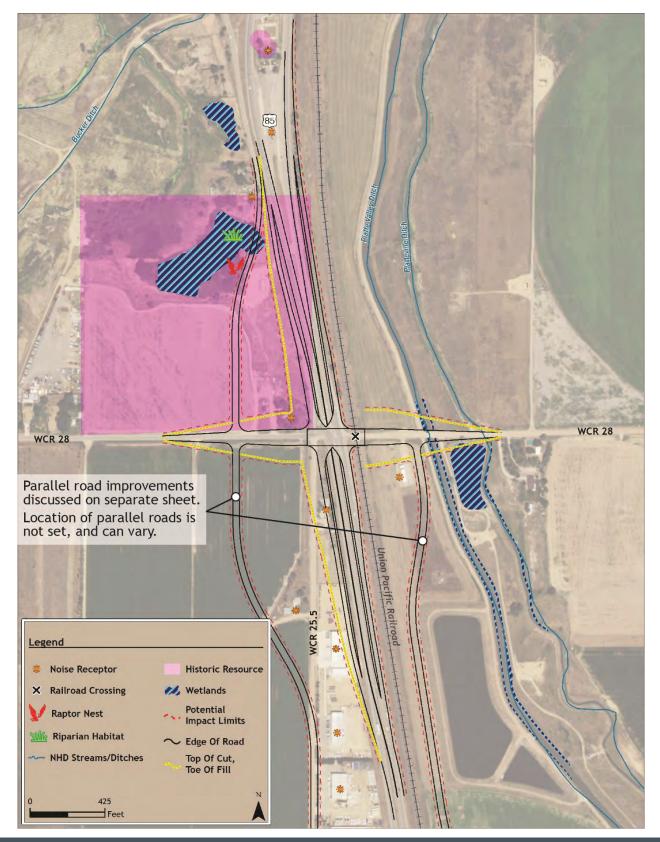
Evaluated improvements	No Action and RIRO
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Considerations include minor impacts to agriculture, and impacts on a historic ditch from parallel road

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



## **US 85 AND WCR 28**



US 85 and WCR 28



## **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	B/C	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	3	4.5	8.75

## **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, traffic signal, SPUI, partial closure, closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	Partial closure and closure, No Action and traffic signal
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Commercial, residential, and agricultural land uses</li> <li>Would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Loss of community connectivity at South Platte River crossing</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial, residential, and agricultural land uses</li> <li>Potentially historic Platteville and Platte Valley ditches, Roland Miller Farm (Centennial Farm), railroad segment, and historic Fort Vasquez.</li> <li>Wetlands east of US 85</li> <li>Eastern edge of riparian habitat and wetlands located west of US 85 that provide nesting opportunities for migratory birds</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### **Next Steps**

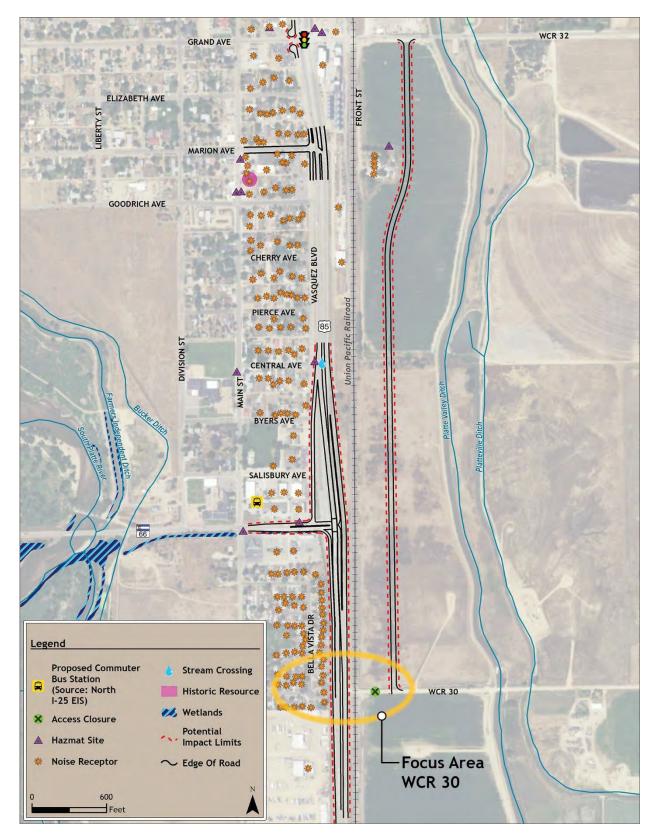
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and the migratory birds. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	<ul> <li>WCR 28 is elevated over US 85 and UPRR.</li> <li>Should be constructed in conjunction with parallel roads between WCR 18 and WCR 28.</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement type(s)	SPUI interchange
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, historic resources, wetlands, and riparian habitats</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$37,900,000
Interim improvements	Enlarge advanced intersection warning signs



# **US 85 AND WCR 30**



US 85 and WCR 30



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Platteville
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity
PEL purpose and need)	Kani odu proximity
Existing roadway	Arterial
classification	Arteria
PEL recommended	Standard ovprossway
classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-
2035 No-Action LOS	-

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Requires new parallel connection to WCR 32 (location is flexible)	
Recommended	Closure with new parallel	
improvement type(s)	connection to WCR 32	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$3,000,000	
Interim improvements	None	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	2.5	4.75

# **PEL Screening Process**

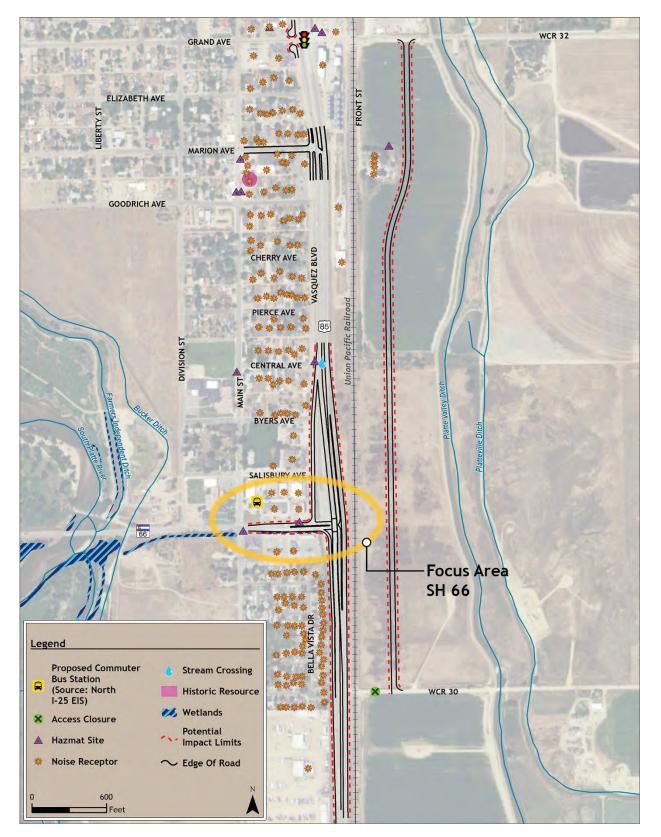
Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary consideration includes minor impacts to agricultural land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Platteville and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Platteville, Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).



# **US 85 AND SH 66**



US 85 and SH 66



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Platteville	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Traffic signal	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Mobility, access	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	<ul> <li>Interregional commuter bus station is proposed to be located in the northwest quadrant of SH 66 and US 85</li> <li>Southbound US 85 elevated over SH 66</li> </ul>	
Recommended	Channelized-T with southbound	
improvement type(s)	grade-separation	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Impacts to land uses and hazmat site</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$16,500,000	
Interim improvements	Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.5	3	0	6.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

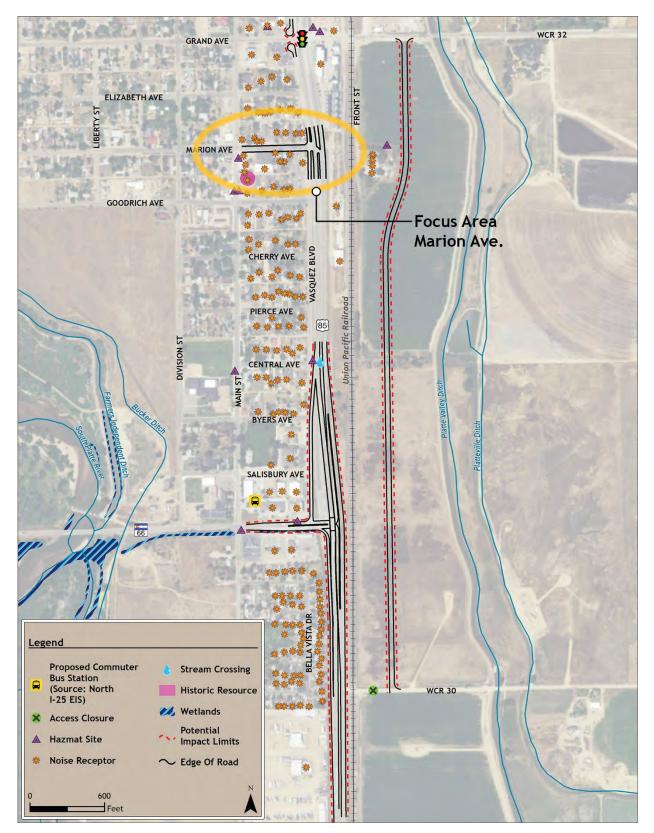
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Diamond (W) and Offset SPUI (E), Continuous Flow/Super Signal, Channelized-T, and Channelized-T with southbound grade-separation	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Diamond (W) and Offset SPUI (E), Continuous Flow/Super Signal, and Channelized-T	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Diamond (W) and Offset SPUI (E), Continuous Flow/Super Signal, and Channelized-T would result in community impacts</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to commercial and residential land uses	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Platteville and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with CDOT on the implementation of interregional commuter bus service as identified in the North I-25 EIS ROD 1.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND MARION AVENUE**



US 85 and Marion Avenue



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Platteville	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No major issues	
FEL pui pose and need)	1	
Existing roadway	Arterial	
classification	Artenar	
PEL recommended		
classification	Standard expressway	
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/D	

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations		
Recommended	Intersection improvements to 34	
improvement type(s)	movement	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Allows access and improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000	
Interim improvements	None	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.5	1	0	2.5

### **PEL Screening Process**

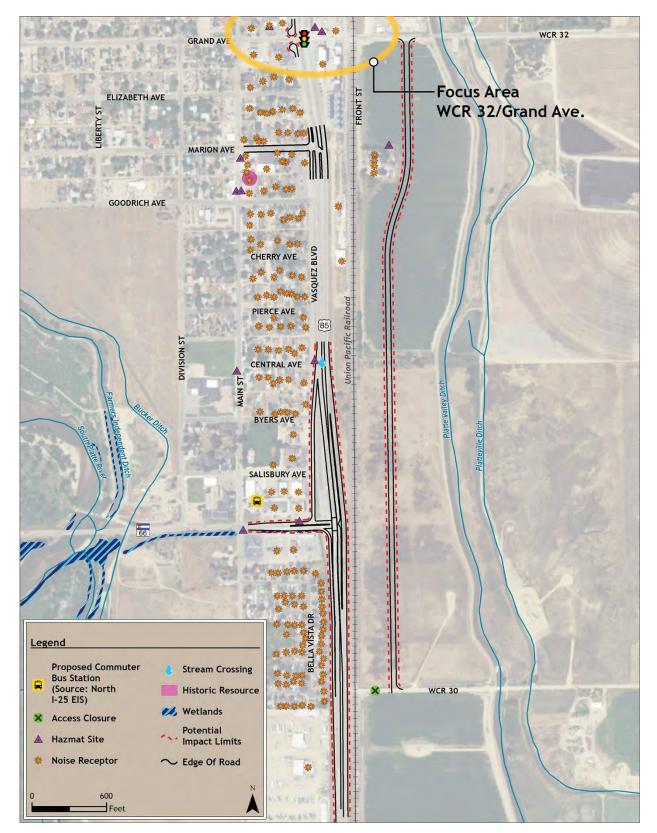
Evaluated improvements	No Action and ¾ movement
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements         No Action and ¾ movement	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to residential and commercial land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Platteville and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# US 85 AND GRAND AVENUE/WCR 32



US 85 and Grand Avenue/WCR32



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Platteville	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 250'	
Known problems (based on	Mobility, railroad proximity,	
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PEL purpose and need)	access	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/F	
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.5	4	3	11.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

# Evaluated improvementsNo Action, SPUI, and frontage road relocationEliminated improvement typesN/AEliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)N/AFeasible, not recommended improvementsNo Action and SPUIFeasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)• No Action would not effectively address purpose and need<br/>• SPUI would result in substantial community impactsEnvironmental considerationsPrimary considerations include commercial land use impacts

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### **Next Steps**

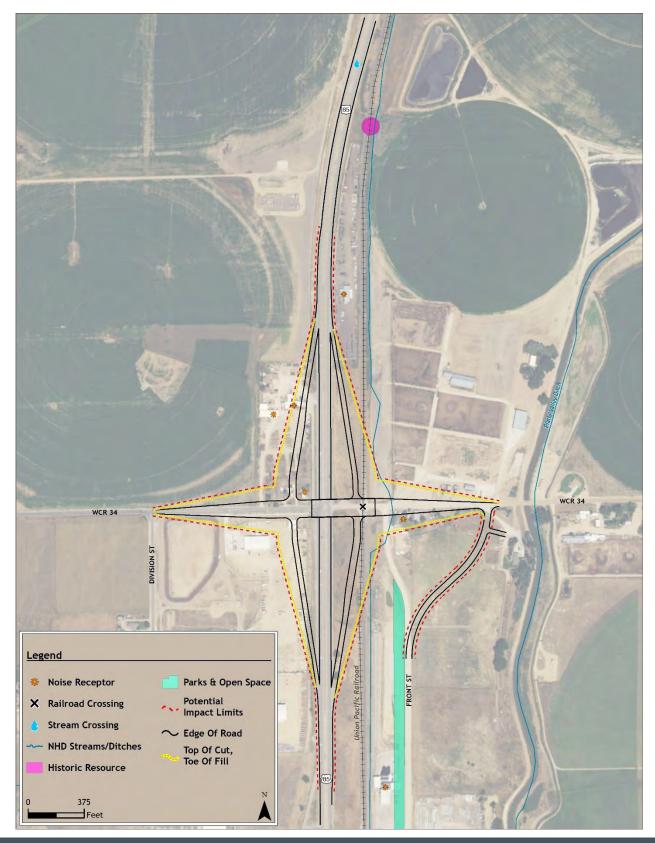
• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Platteville and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations Recommended improvement type(s)	Improvements work in conjunction with parallel road to WCR 30 in Platteville Close frontage roads and add auxiliary lanes on WCR 32, as needed
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Allows access and improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$400,000
Interim improvements	Safety - Reposition flashing warning signs



# **US 85 AND WCR 34**



US 85 and WCR 34



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Platteville	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 160'	
Known problems (based on		
PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-	
2035 No-Action LOS	-	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	1	3.25

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and diamond interchange
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include substantial impacts to residential and commercial land uses; and impacts to wetlands

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

### **Next Steps**

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Platteville and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with RTD/other service providers during the planning, NEPA and design phases to incorporate bus service, bus stops, and supporting transit amenities into the final design, if applicable. Currently, local bus service does not stop at 168th Avenue.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	<ul> <li>Front Street will need to be realigned on the east side</li> <li>WCR 34 elevated over US 85 and UPRR</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement type(s)	Diamond interchange
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts land uses, wetlands and proposed greenbelt</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$38,700,000
Interim improvements	None



# **US 85 AND WCR 36**



US 85 and WCR 36



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 60'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	B/A

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure will happen in conjunction with interchange at WCR 34 and SH 60
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1.5	2	4.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

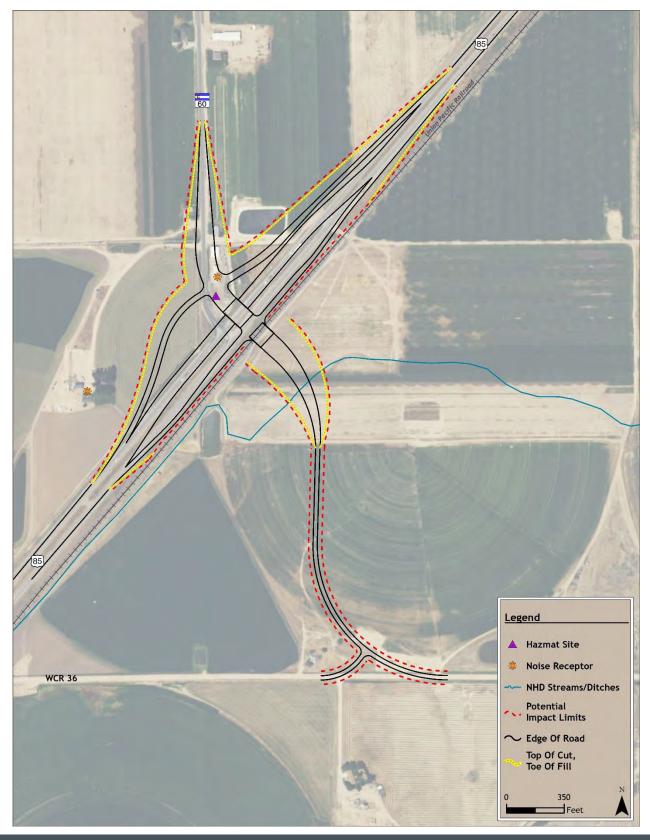
Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to agricultural land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND SH 60**



US 85 and SH 60



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	_	
Municipanty(ics)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on	Mobility	
PEL purpose and need)	Moonty	
Existing roadway	Enhanced expressway	
classification		
PEL recommended	Enhanced expressway	
classification		
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	D/F	

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	SH 60 is elevated over US 85	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Diamond interchange	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land use and hazmat facility</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$38,500,000	
Interim improvements	None	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3	1.5	0	4.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and diamond interchange
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include substantial impacts to commercial and residential land uses; impacts to agricultural land uses and hazmat facility

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND WCR 38**



US 85 and WCR 38



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity
PEL purpose and need)	
Existing roadway	Enhanced expressway
classification	Ermanood oxprossway
PEL recommended	Enhanced expressively
classification	Enhanced expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Closure happens in conjunction with improvements at SH 60
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to agriculture</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1.5	2.5	5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to agricultural land uses

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# US 85 AND WCR 38.5/WCR 29



US 85 and WCR 38.5/WCR 29



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 30'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to agriculture</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	2.5	4.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to agricultural land uses

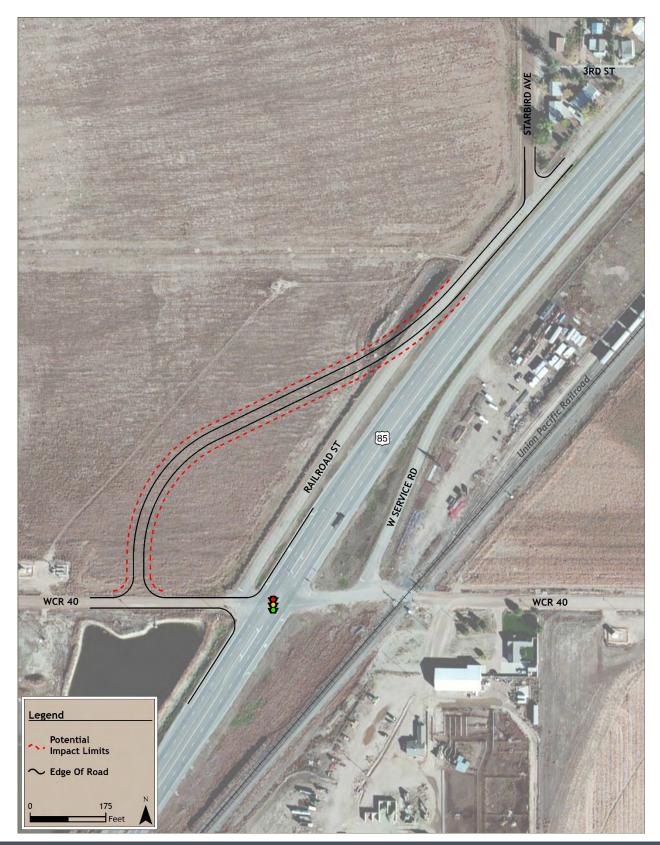
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- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



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# **US 85 AND WCR 40**



US 85 and WCR 40



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Gilcrest
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 210'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-
2035 No-Action LOS	-

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Creates a southern gateway in Gilcrest
Recommended improvement type(s)	Frontage road realignment
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$1,200,000
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1	1	3.25

# **PEL Screening Process**

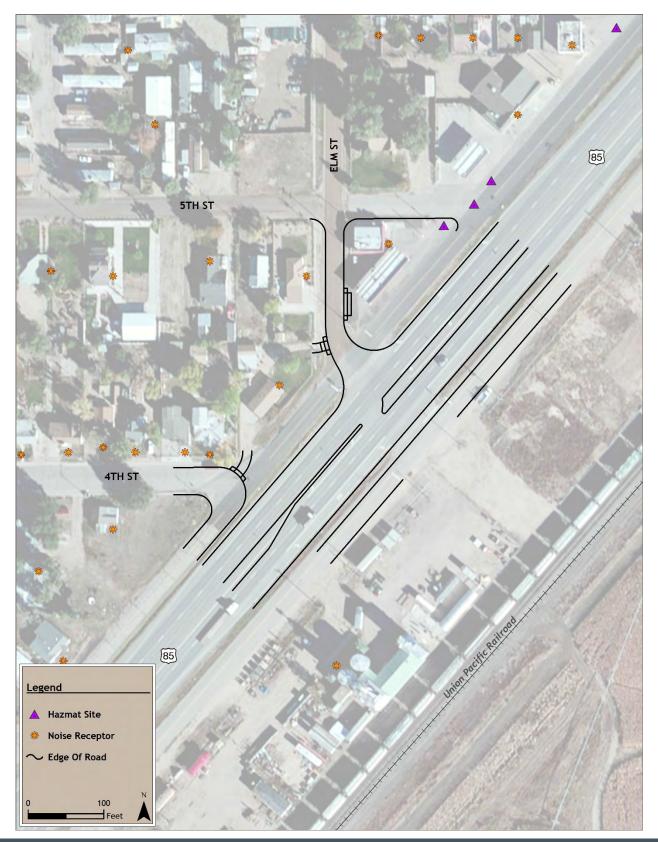
Evaluated improvements	No Action and frontage road realignment	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include impacts to agricultural and commercial land uses	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Gilcrest and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND ELM STREET**



US 85 and Elm Street



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Gilcrest
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	-
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Access (frontage roads)
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Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-

# 2035 No-Action LOS -

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	0	0	1.25

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and ¾ Access
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to residential and commercial land uses and a hazmat facility

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

### **Next Steps**

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Gilcrest and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Convert to 3/4 access; close frontage road access
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land use and hazmat facility</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$300,000
Interim improvements	None



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# **US 85 AND MAIN STREET**



US 85 and Main Street



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Gilcrest
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	-
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Access (frontage roads)
Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.25	1.5	0	2.75

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### **PEL Screening Process**

2035 No-Action LOS

Evaluated improvements	No Action, RIRO, closure and Channelized-T	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, RIRO, closure	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action and other alternatives would not effectively address Purpose and Need</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to residential and commercial land uses as well as hazmat facilities	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

### **Next Steps**

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Gilcrest and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Channelized-T
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$800,000
Interim improvements	None



# **US 85 AND ASH STREET**





# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Gilcrest
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	UFR
Existing facility type	¾ movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 80'
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity, access
PEL purpose and need)	
Existing roadway	Arterial
classification	Arteriat
PEL recommended	Standard exprostructure
classification	Standard expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	D/C
2035 No-Action LOS	B/B

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.75	1.5	1	4.25

# **PEL Screening Process**

# Evaluated improvements-Eliminated improvement types-Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits,<br/>impacts)-Feasible, not recommended improvements-Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits,<br/>impacts)-Environmental considerations-

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

# **Next Steps**

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended improvement type(s)	No Action, maintain <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> access
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Avoids impacts to environmental resources</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	
Interim improvements	None



# **US 85 AND WCR 42**



US 85 and WCR 42



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Gilcrest	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 30'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	C/C	

# **Recommended Improvement**

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Key observations	Signal was added in 2012	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Add eastbound left turn lane	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impact to water treatment plant</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$600,000	
Interim improvements	None	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.5	1.5	4.5	7.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and add eastbound left turn lane	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address purpose and need	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to water treatment facility	

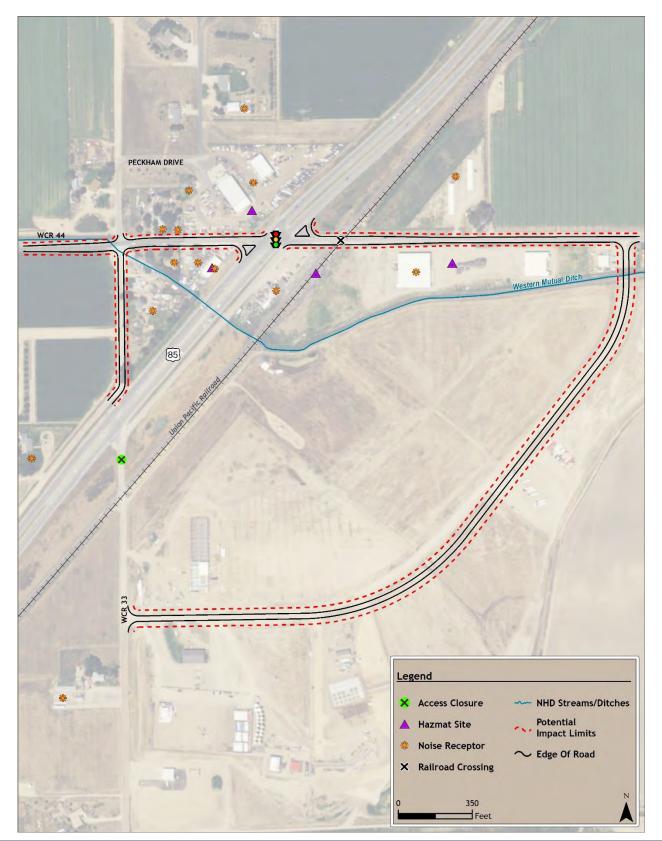
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# **Next Steps**

• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Gilcrest and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



# **US 85 AND WCR 33 INTERIM IMPROVEMENT**



US 85 and WCR 33 Interim Improvement



Improvements work in

conjunction with WCR 44 interim

# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Peckham	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 240'	
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity, access	
PEL purpose and need)	(frontage road, alignment)	
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Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	1	3

# **PEL Screening Process**

# Key observations improvements. Closure is an interim improvement for the

**Recommended Improvement** 

Key observations	interim improvement for the ultimate design of TUDI on the north side of WCR 44 (See US 85 & WCR 44 TUDI summary sheet).	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Would not fit within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	See WCR 44	
Interim improvements	See WCR 44—Interim Improvement	

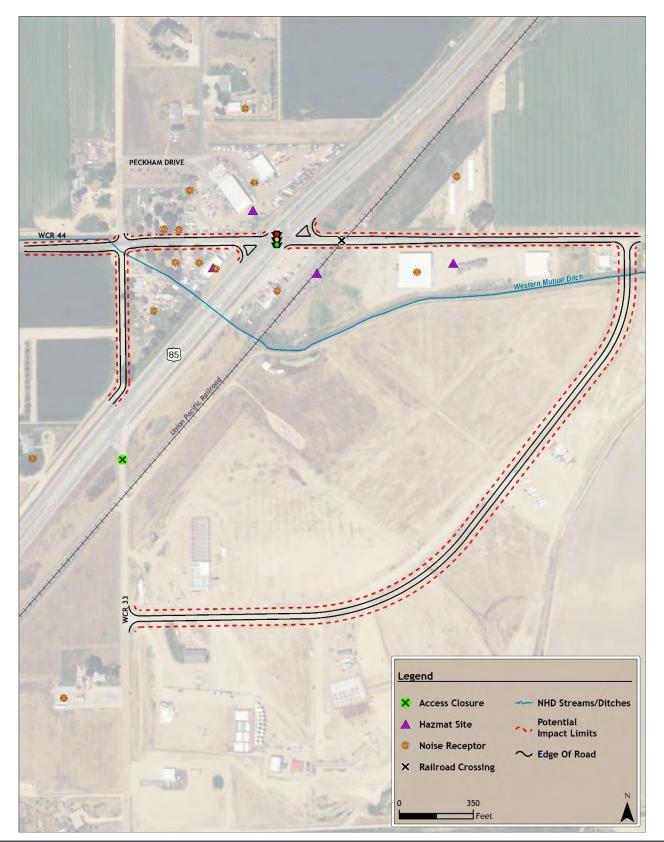
Evaluated improvements	No Action, closure, Channelized-T, Grade Separation; Junior Interchange with WCR 44, Diamond, RIRO	
Eliminated improvement types	Grade separation	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	A Grade separation interchange concept was eliminated due to substantial community impacts	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Channelized-T, Grade Separation; Junior Interchange with WCR 44, Diamond, RIRO	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Other alternatives evaluated would result in a range of community impacts</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to residential and agricultural land uses	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Peckham, Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).



# **US 85 AND WCR 44 INTERIM IMPROVEMENT**



US 85 and WCR 44 Interim Improvement



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Peckham	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 190'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity, access (frontage roads, alignment)	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	4.5	3.5	9

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Improvements work in conjunction with WCR 33 improvements. Intersection improvements are interim for the ultimate design of TUDI on the north side of WCR 44 (See US 85 & WCR 44 TUDI summary sheet).
Recommended improvement type(s)	Realigned frontage road
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve mobility and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land us and historic resource</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$4,200,000 (includes improvements to WCR 33)
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Advanced intersection warning signs with beacons (to be signalized when needed)</li> <li>Mobility - Intersection improvements</li> </ul>

# **PEL Screening Process**

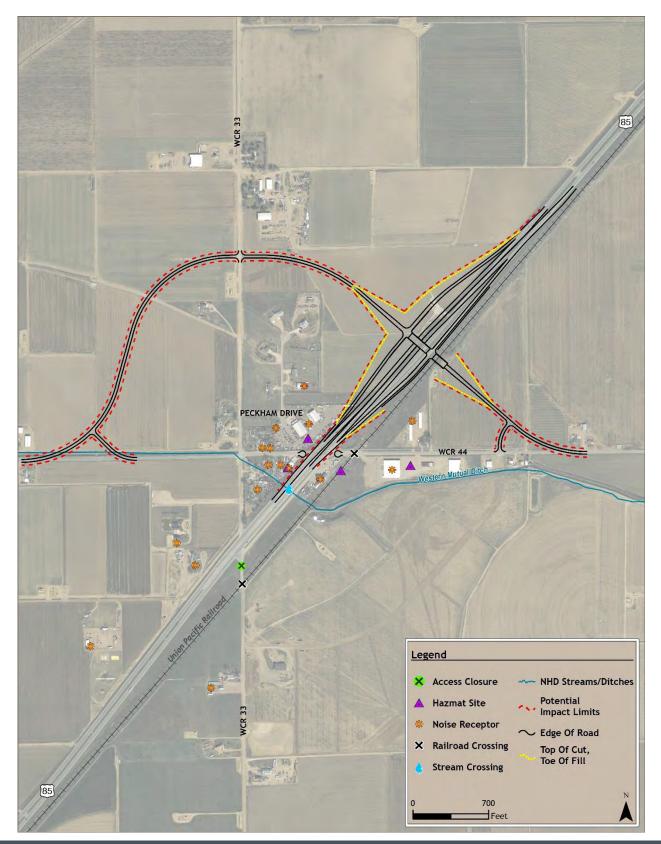
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Channelized-T at WCR 33, Junior Interchange w/ WCR 33, Diamond, Realigned frontage road, SPUI Bypass, TUDI North, and TUDI South
Eliminated improvement types	Grade separation on current alignment
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would result in severe impacts to community
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Junior Interchange w/ WCR 33, Diamond Interchange, Channelized-T at WCR 33, SPUI Bypass, and TUDI South
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Other interchange concepts evaluated would result in substantial community impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary environmental considerations include minor impacts to commercial land uses, and potentially historic ditch

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND WCR 44 TUDI**



US 85 and WCR 44 TUDI



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Peckham	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 190'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity, access (frontage roads, alignment)	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	4.5	3.5	9

### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Channelized-T at WCR 33, Junior Interchange w/ WCR 33, Diamond, Realigned frontage road, SPUI Bypass, TUDI North, and TUDI South
Eliminated improvement types	Grade separation on current alignment
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Would result in severe impacts to community
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Junior Interchange w/ WCR 33, Diamond Interchange, Channelized-T at WCR 33, SPUI Bypass, and TUDI South
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address purpose and need</li> <li>Other interchange concepts evaluated would result in substantial community impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary environmental considerations include minor impacts to commercial land uses, hazmat sites, and potentially historic ditch

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

### **Next Steps**

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	WCR 44 is elevated over US 85 and UPRR
Recommended improvement type(s)	TUDI located north of WCR 44
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Would improve mobility and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Limited Impacts to land uses, historic resource, and hazmat sites</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$30,600,000
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Signalized intersection at existing WCR 44 alignment and closure of WCR 33 on east side (see separate Summary Sheet)</li> </ul>



# **US 85 AND WCR 46/WCR 35**



US 85 and WCR 46/WCR 35



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 30'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A	

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Channelized-T with closure on the east side; parallel bike facility on WCR 46 and WCR 35
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land use and historic resource (US 85)</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$1,400,000
Interim improvements	Mobility - restriping

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1.5	4	6.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and Channelized-T with closure on the east side
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to: residential and agricultural land uses west of US 85; potential historic Segment of US 85 within project area

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Partial closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).



# **US 85 AND WCR 48/WCR 37**



US 85 and WCR 48/WCR 37



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 40'	
Known problems (based on	Railroad proximity, access	
PEL purpose and need)	(alignment)	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A	

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations		
Recommended	Channelized-T with closure on	
improvement type(s)	the east side	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land use and historic resource</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$600,000	
Interim improvements	Mobility - closure of east leg of intersection	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	2.5	4.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Full movement interchange, ¾ movement interchange, Channelized-T interchange	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Full movement interchange, and ¾ movement interchange	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need</li> <li>Other interchange concepts evaluated would be less compatible with the community</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minor impacts to:</li> <li>Agricultural and commercial land uses</li> <li>Railroad segment (potential historic resource)</li> </ul>	

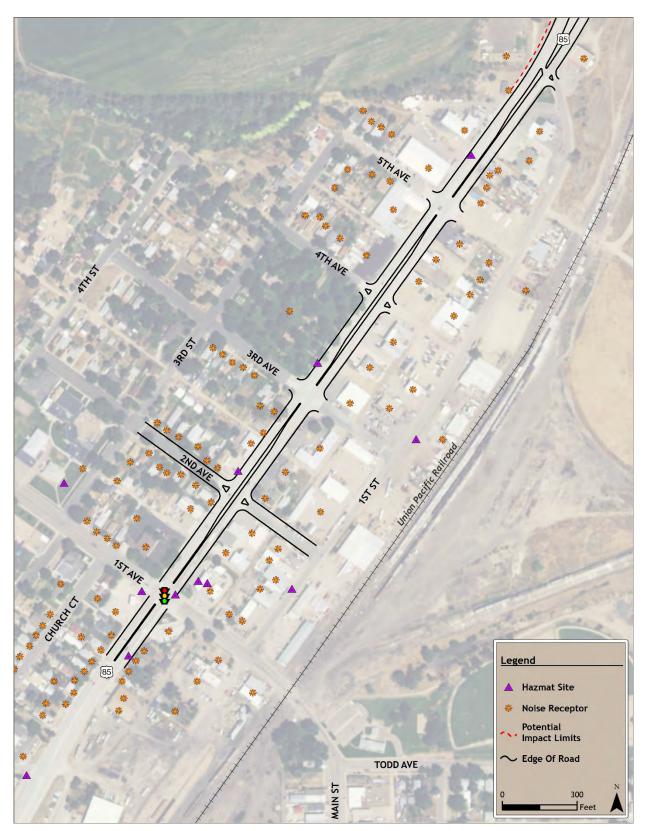
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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



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# US 85 AND 1<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE



US 85 and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue



### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	LaSalle	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 580'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	D/D	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2	1.5	2.5	6

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	<ul> <li>Consider implementation of all improvements in LaSalle (1<sup>st</sup> Ave, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave, 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave.)</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Turn lane extensions; enhancements to the pedestrian environment along and across US 85 as intersection improvements are made	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety, reduces railroad operation issues</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minimal impacts to land use and potential historic resources</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$300,000	
Interim improvements	None	

### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Junior Interchange, and turn lane extensions w/ traffic signals	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, Junior Interchange	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need</li> <li>Junior interchange concept would result in substantial community impact</li> </ul>	
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minimal impacts to:</li> <li>Residential and commercial land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>Parcels 50 years old or older (potential historic resources)</li> </ul>	

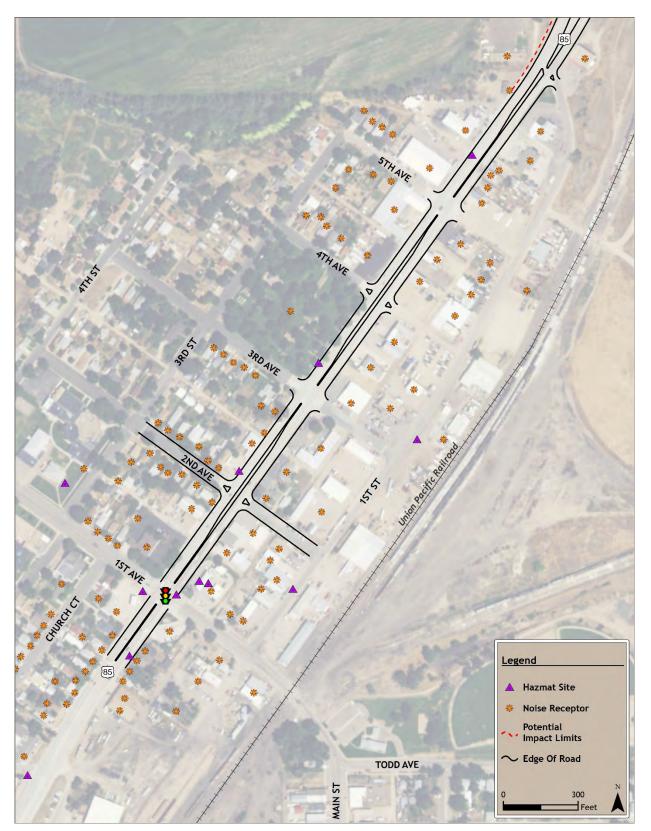
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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with LaSalle and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



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# US 85 AND 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE



US 85 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	LaSalle	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No major issues	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	B/B	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	0	2

### **PEL Screening Process**

# improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW

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Key observations	<ul> <li>Consider implementation of all improvements in LaSalle (1<sup>st</sup> Ave, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave, 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave.)</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Right-in, right-out (RIRO); enhancements to the pedestria environment along and across the highway	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use, hazmat facility and potential historic resources</li> </ul>	
Recommended		

\$300,000

None

Evaluated improvements	No Action and RIRO
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minimal impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facility</li> <li>Parcels 50 years old or older (potential historic resources)</li> </ul>

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Interim improvements

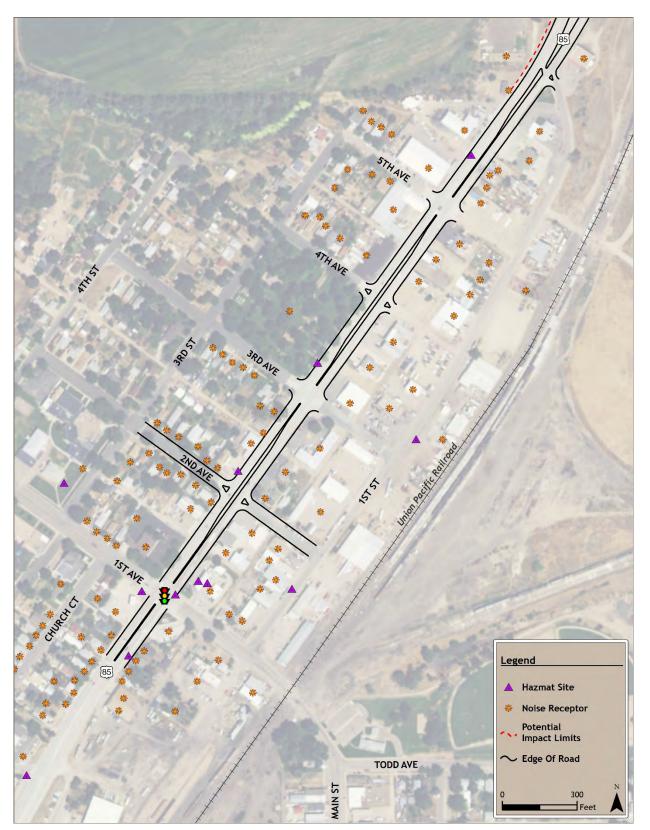
# **Next Steps**

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys • to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with LaSalle and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts. ٠
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP. •

# **Recommended Improvement**



# **US 85 AND 4TH AVENUE**



US 85 and 4th Avenue



Consider implementation of

# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	LaSalle
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	-
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No major issues
Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	0	2

### PEL

1	1	0	2	
PEL Sc	reening Pr	ocess		
Evaluate	d improvements			No Action and RIRO
Eliminated improvement types			N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)		efits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible,	, not recommende	ed improvemen	ts	No Action
Feasible,	, not recommende	ed evaluation (	penefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environm	nental considerati	ions		<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minor impacts to:</li> <li>Residential, commercial and recreational land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>Main LaSalle Park (Section 4(f))</li> </ul>
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# **Next Steps**

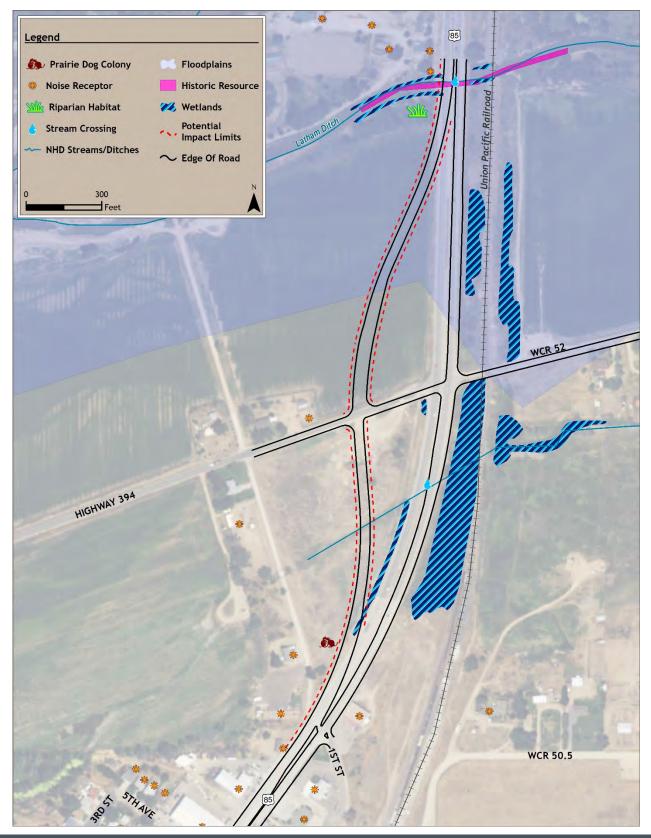
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with LaSalle and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts. •
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP. •

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	all improvements in LaSalle (1 <sup>st</sup> Ave, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave, 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave, and 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave.)	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Right-in, right-out (RIRO); enhancements to the pedestrian environment along and across the highway	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use, hazmat, and Section 4(f) resource</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$300,000	
Interim improvements	None	



# **US 85 AND 1<sup>ST</sup> STREET**



US 85 and 1st Street (LaSalle)



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	LaSalle	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
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Existing facility type	34 movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on	No moior iouro	
PEL purpose and need)	No major issues	
Existing roadway	Arterial	
classification	Aiteria	
PEL recommended	Standard avprossively	
classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-	
2035 No-Action LOS	-	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

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LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Median channelization for left turn
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to commercial land uses (changes in travel patterns)

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#### **Next Steps**

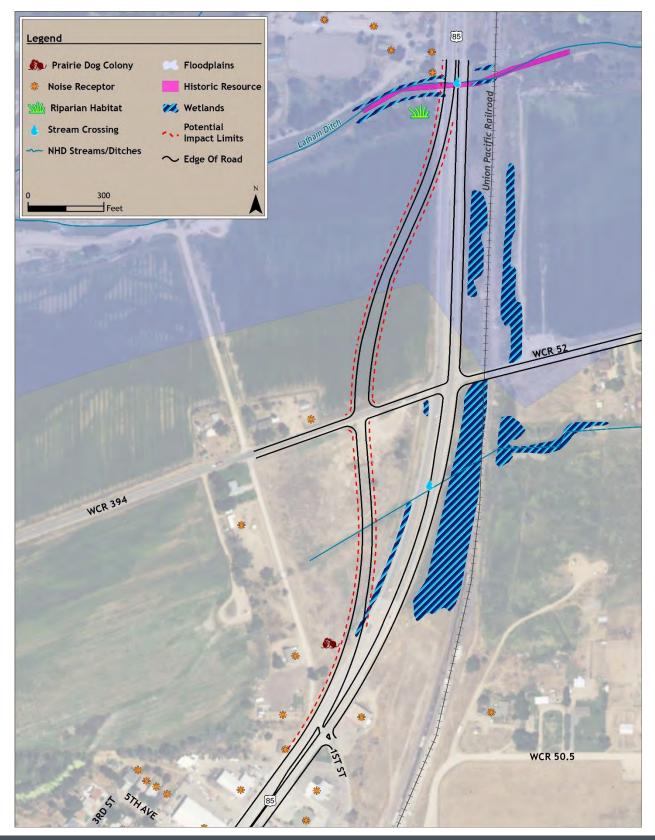
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with LaSalle and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations		
Recommended improvement type(s)	Median channelization for left turn lane; enhancements to the pedestrian environment along and across the highway	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$200,000	
Interim improvements	None	



# **US 85 AND WCR 394/WCR 52**



US 85 and SH 394/WCR 52



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	LaSalle	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 100'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B	

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Maintain grade-separated trail with the South Platte River Trail	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Couplet intersections	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land use, historic resource, wetlands and T&amp;E species</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$5,400,000	
Interim improvements	Safety - Advanced intersection warning signs with beacons. Monitor status of crashes	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	2	2.5	5.5

### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and couplet intersection
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include impacts to:</li> <li>Agricultural land uses</li> <li>NRHP-eligible ditch segment (historic resource)</li> <li>Floodplain</li> <li>South Platte River T&amp;E and riparian habitat</li> <li>BTPD habitat and burrowing owls</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Substantial changes in the floodplain of South Platte River may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. If black-tailed prairie dog habitat cannot be avoided within the project footprint, CDOT's *Impacted Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Policy* (2009) will apply, and surveys for Western Burrowing Owls will be required. If Western Burrowing Owls are found at the site, coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and the migratory Bird Treaty Act. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with LaSalle and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



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# US 85 AND 42<sup>ND</sup> STREET





# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Evans
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 110'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, mobility, railroad proximity, alternate travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C
2035 No-Action LOS	D/E

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2.75	3.5	3.5	9.75

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, traffic signal, turn restrictions, Texas turnaround
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, turn restrictions, Texas turnaround
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action does not effectively address Purpose Need</li> <li>Turn restrictions not supported - still need signal</li> <li>Texas turnaround would result in community impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minor impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential development</li> <li>Evans Historical Marker</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

# Next Steps

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be required.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Evans and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Transit: Coordinate with CDOT on the implementation of interregional commuter bus service as identified in the North I-25 EIS ROD 1.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	A commuter bus station is identified to be in the southeast quadrant of US 85 and 42 <sup>nd</sup> Street
Recommended	Auxiliary lane additions, when
improvement type(s)	needed
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use, historic resource</li> <li>Avoidance of T&amp;E species habitat</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$900,000
Interim improvements	Safety - Install flashing warning signs (W2-1) northbound



# **US 85 AND 37TH STREET**





# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Evans
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 470'
Known problems (based on	Mobility, access, alternative
PEL purpose and need)	travel modes
Existing roadway	Arterial
classification	Artenal
PEL recommended	
classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C
2035 No-Action LOS	D/F

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended	Frontage road closures; auxiliary
improvement type(s)	lane additions, when needed
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Allows/consolidates access</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land use and hazmat site</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$1,000,000
Interim improvements	Safety - reposition flashing warning signs (W2-1)

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3	5	3	11

### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Frontage road closures, and Texas turnaround
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action and Texas turnaround
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need</li> <li>Texas Turnaround would result in community impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minor impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facility (filling station)</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Evans and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



# **US 85 AND 31ST STREET**





# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Evans
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 800'
Known problems (based on	Mobility, access, alternative
PEL purpose and need)	travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	E/E
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
4.5	4	2.5	11

### **PEL Screening Process**

#### **Evaluated improvements** No Action, Frontage road closure and realignment, Texas turnaround N/A Eliminated improvement types N/A Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts) Feasible, not recommended improvements No Action and Texas turnaround • No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts) • Texas turnaround would impact commercial land uses and is not supported by the community Primary considerations include minor impacts to: **Environmental considerations** Commercial land uses • Hazmat facilities

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# **Next Steps**

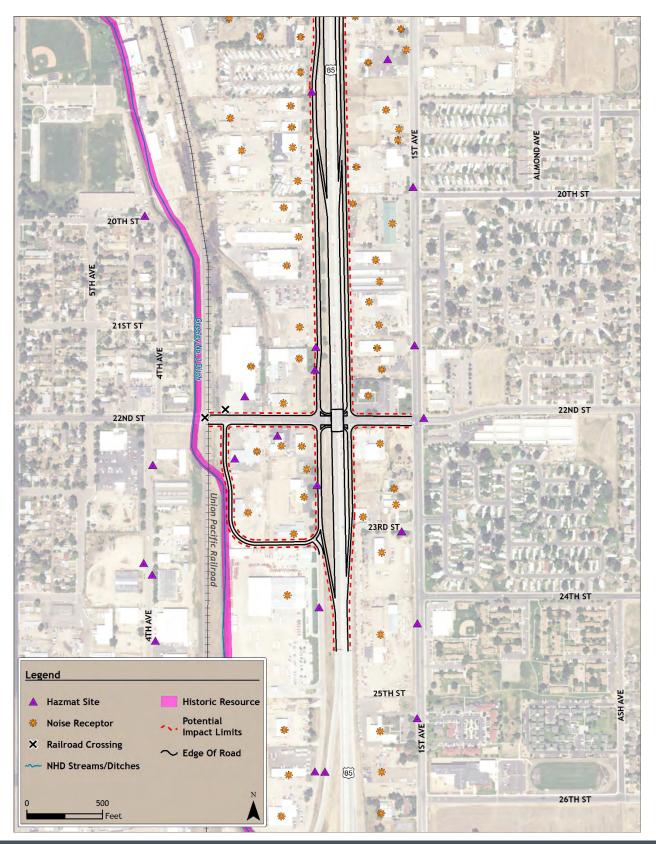
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Evans and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	
Recommended	Frontage road closure; auxiliary
improvement type(s)	lane additions, when needed
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access and enhances regional transit service</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses and Hazmat facilities</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$1,800,000
Interim improvements	Safety - Install flashing warning signs (W2-1) southbound



# **US 85 AND 22ND STREET**



US 85 and 22nd Street



### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 690'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	

Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C
2035 No-Action LOS	E/F

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.25	4	2.5	9.75

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	<ul> <li>Texas turnaround improvements work as a system from 22<sup>nd</sup> Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street</li> <li>Requires parallel road connection to allow business access on the east of the railroad</li> </ul>	
Recommended	Texas turnaround; parallel bike	
improvement type(s)	route on 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, safety and access</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land use and hazmat facilities</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$19,600,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - Install flashing warning signs (W2-1) northbound</li> <li>Mobility - Adaptive signal control or Michigan U's</li> </ul>	

#### **PEL Screening Process**

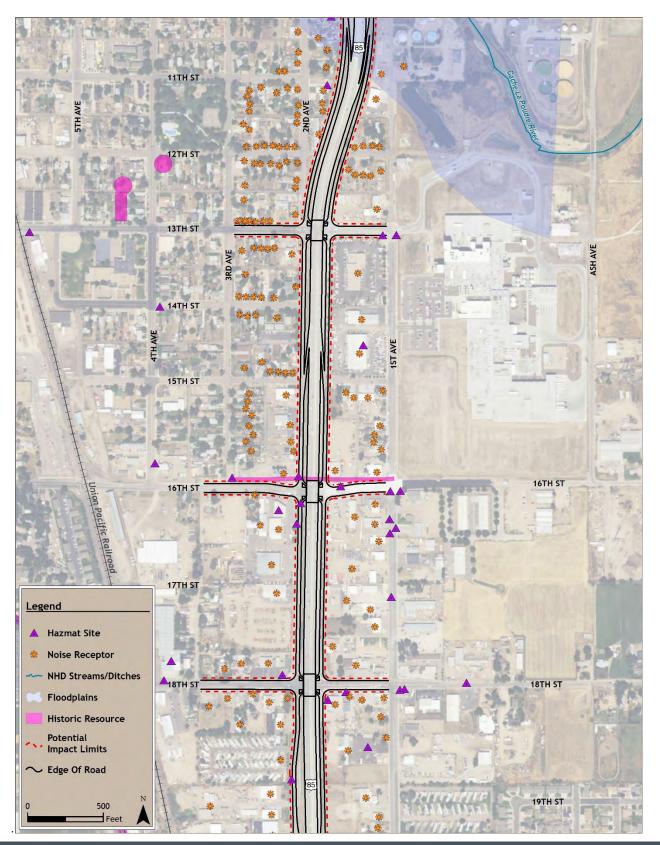
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Texas turnaround
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address purpose and need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include impacts to: • Commercial land uses • Hazmat facilities

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND 18TH STREET**



US 85 and 18th Street



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 980'
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/C
2035 No-Action LOS	D/E

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2.5	3.5	2	8

# **PEL Screening Process**

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Texas turnaround improvements work as a system from 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street to 5 <sup>th</sup> Street	
Recommended	Texas turnaround; parallel bike	
improvement type(s)	route on 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, safety and access</li> <li>Moderately fits within the community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, mobile home community, hazmat site and historic resources</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$16,900,000	
Interim improvements	Mobility - Adaptive signal control or Michigan U's	

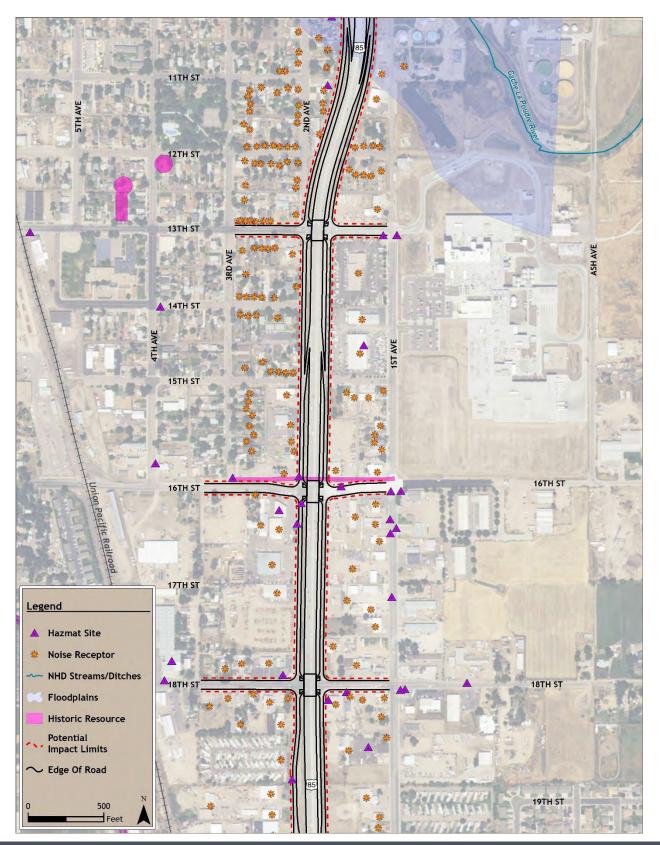
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Texas turnaround	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need	
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential areas</li> <li>Mobile home community</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>Parcels 50 years old or older (potential historic resources)</li> </ul>	

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- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND 16TH STREET**



US 85 and 16th Street



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 1370'
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes
Existing roadway classification	Arterial
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3.5	3.5	2	9

# **PEL Screening Process**

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Texas turnaround improvements work as a system from 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street to 5 <sup>th</sup> Street Texas turnaround; parallel bike	
improvement type(s)	route on 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, hazmat facilities and historic resource</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$14,600,000	
Interim improvements	Mobility - Adaptive signal control or Michigan U's	

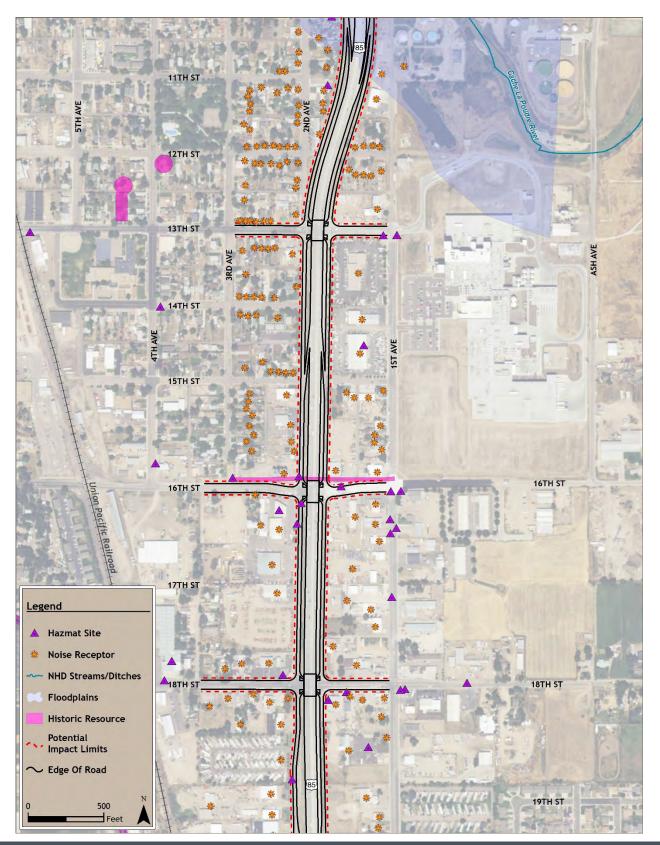
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Texas turnaround	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need	
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential land uses with a higher density of impacts east of US 85 due to new frontage road</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>Potential historic railroad segment</li> </ul>	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND 13TH STREET**



US 85 and 13th Street



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 1800'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway	Antonial	
classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended	Standard expressway	
classification	Standard expressivaly	

Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/B
2035 No-Action LOS	C/E

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2	2	1.5	5.5

### **PEL Screening Process**

#### **Evaluated improvements** No Action, traffic signal, Texas turnaround Eliminated improvement types N/A N/A Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts) Feasible, not recommended improvements No Action, traffic signal No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts) Traffic signals would not improve mobility or safety conditions Primary considerations include impacts to: · Commercial and residential land uses on both sides of US 85 due to new **Environmental considerations** frontage roads Hazmat facilities ٠

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# Next Steps

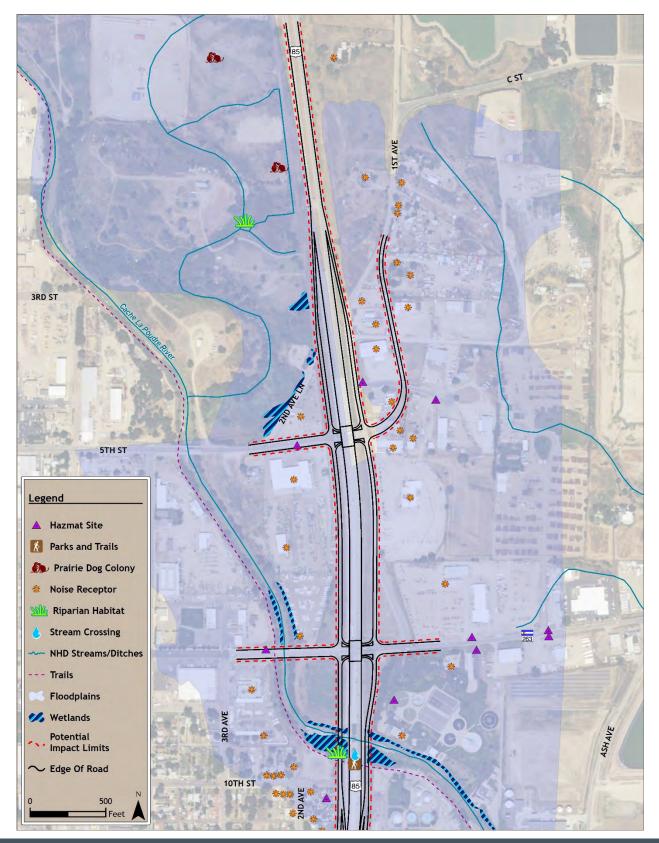
- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations Recommended improvement type(s) Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Texas turnaround improvements work as a system from 22nd Street to 5th Street Texas turnaround; parallel bike route on 1st Avenue Improves mobility and safety Moderately fits within Community context Impacts to land uses and hazmat facilities
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs) Interim improvements	\$16,500,000



# **US 85 AND 8TH STREET**



US 85 and 8th Street



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 2500'	
Known problems (based on	Mobility, access, alternative	
PEL purpose and need)	travel modes	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	C/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	D/E	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2.75	3	1	6.75

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Texas turnaround improvements work as a system from 22nd Street to 5th Street	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Texas turnaround	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within the community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resources; and Cache la Poudre River floodplain, wetlands and T&amp;E species</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$23,500,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - install flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Adaptive signal control or Michigan U's</li> </ul>	

### **PEL Screening Process**

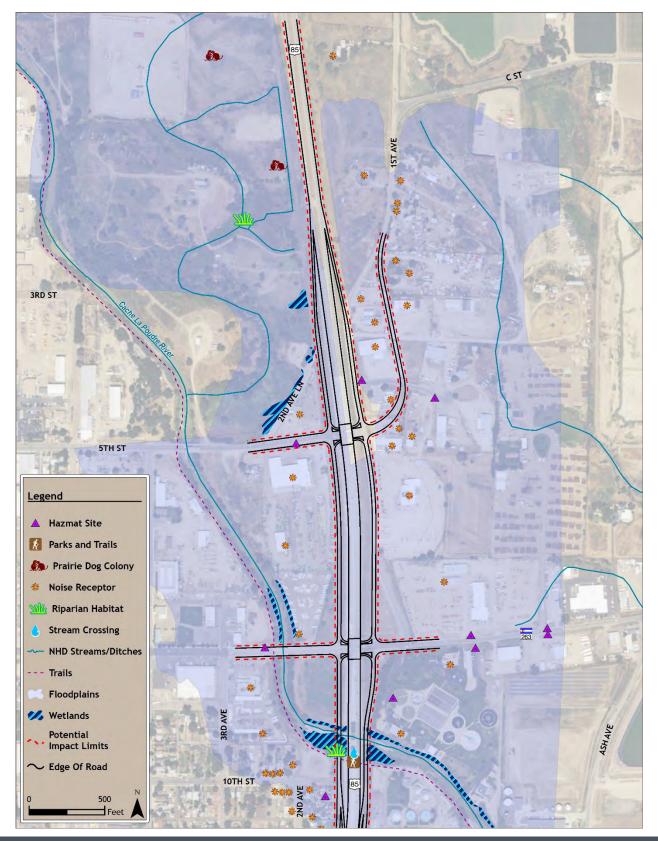
Evaluated improvements	No Action, Texas turnaround, and split diamond
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, split diamond
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)         • No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need           • Split diamond would result in substantial community imp	
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>Cache la Poudre River (floodplain, wetlands, and T&amp;E habitats)</li> <li>Poudre River Trail (Section 4(f) Resource)</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Adverse impacts to Section 4(f)properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and migratory birds. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources. Substantial changes in the floodplain of Cache Ia Poudre River may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND 5TH STREET GREELEY**



US 85 and 5th Street



### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 2600'	
Known problems (based on	Safety, mobility, access,	
PEL purpose and need)	alternative travel modes	
Existing roadway	Antonial	
classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended	Chandend eveneses	
classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/C	
2035 No-Action LOS	C/F	

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
2.5	2.5	1	6

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations Recommended improvement type(s)	Texas turnaround improvements work as a system from 22nd Street to 5th Street Texas turnaround	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within the community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses, Section 4(f) resources; and Cache la Poudre River floodplain, wetlands and T&amp;E species</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$17,700,000	
Interim improvements	<ul> <li>Safety - install flashing warning signs (W2-1)</li> <li>Mobility - Adaptive signal control or Michigan U's</li> </ul>	

### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, Texas turnaround, and split diamond
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements         No Action, split diamond	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action does not effectively address Purpose and Need</li> <li>Split diamond would result in substantial community impacts</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>Cache la Poudre River (floodplain, wetlands, and T&amp;E habitats)</li> <li>Poudre River Trail (Section 4(f) resource)</li> </ul>

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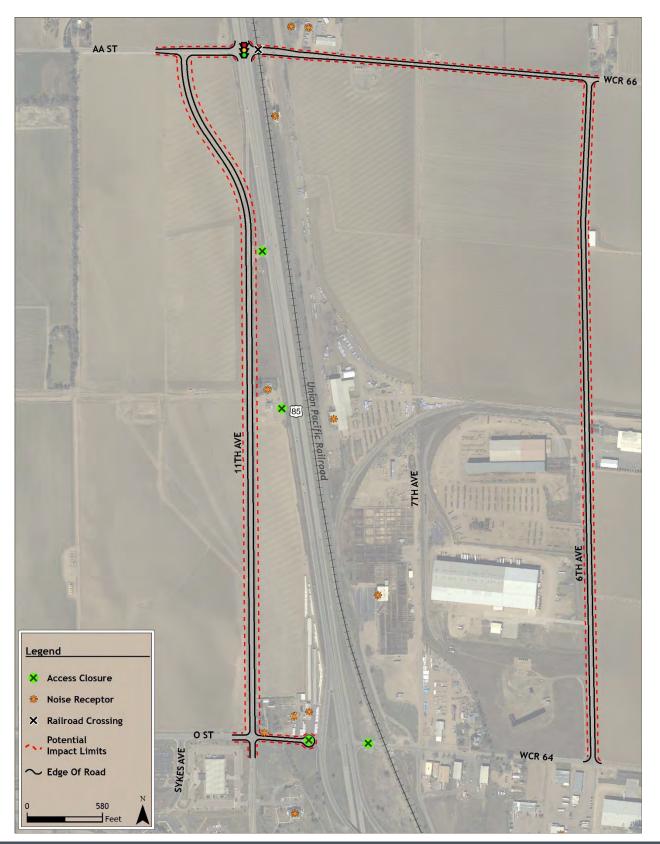
# Next Steps

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting. Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. During project planning, a Modified Phase I Environmental Site Assessment or CDOT Initial Site Assessment would be required, to determine the potential to encounter hazardous materials and to develop an appropriate Materials Management Plan, if applicable. Adverse impacts to Section 4(f) properties may elevate the level of NEPA study. Habitat suitability assessments will be required for special-status species, and migratory bird nests within 0.5 mile. Coordination with the US Fish and wildlife Service may be required for federally listed T & E species, and migratory birds. Coordination with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for State Species may be required for state listed T&E species, and SB 40 resources. Substantial changes in the floodplain of Cache Ia Poudre River may require consultation with the local agencies, and a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.

US 85 and 5th Street



# **US 85 AND O STREET**



US 85 and O Street



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Greeley
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	3/4 movement
Distance from railroad	Approximately 190'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Mobility, railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	NB: A/A, SB: A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	NB: B/B, SB: A/B

# Prioritization (1-5 each, 15 total) NB/SB

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1/1	1.5/2.5	2.5/0	5/3.5

### **PEL Screening Process**

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Constructed in conjunction with a traffic signal at WCR 66
Recommended improvement type(s)	Closure; new frontage road on east side (6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue); realign N. 11th Ave connection to WCR 66
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves access and safety</li> <li>Moderately fits within the community context</li> <li>Impacts to land uses</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$10,900,000 (includes signal at WCR 66)
Interim improvements	Mobility - Close east leg once parallel connection with WCR 66 is complete

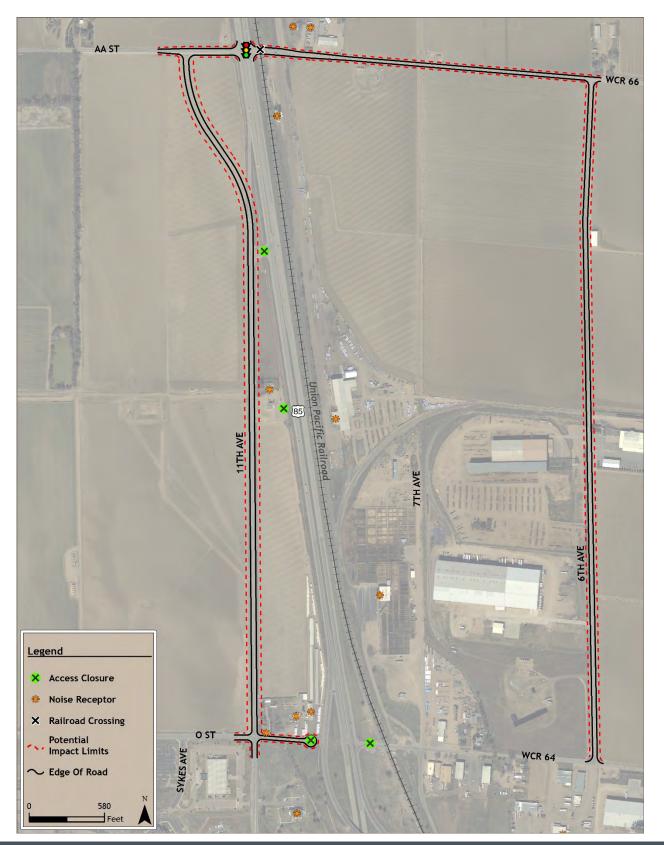
Evaluated improvements	No Action, overpass, combined overpass with WCR 66, closure
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, overpass, combined overpass with WCR 66
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need</li> <li>Overpass and combined overpass with WCR 66 would result in substantial impacts to community land uses, and US Forestry lands</li> </ul>
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include minor impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial, residential, and agricultural land</li> <li>Potential impacts to a potential historic resource (railroad segment)</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Greeley, Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).



# **US 85 AND WCR 66**



US 85 and WCR 66



# **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Enhanced expressway
PEL recommended classification	Enhanced expressway
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Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/A
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Constructed in conjunction with closures at O Street
Recommended improvement type(s)	Signal
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility, access and safety</li> <li>Fits within the community context</li> <li>Avoids impacts</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$10,900,000 (includes closures of O Street)
Interim improvements	None

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1.5	5	7.5

# **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and signal
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include coordination with O Street improvements

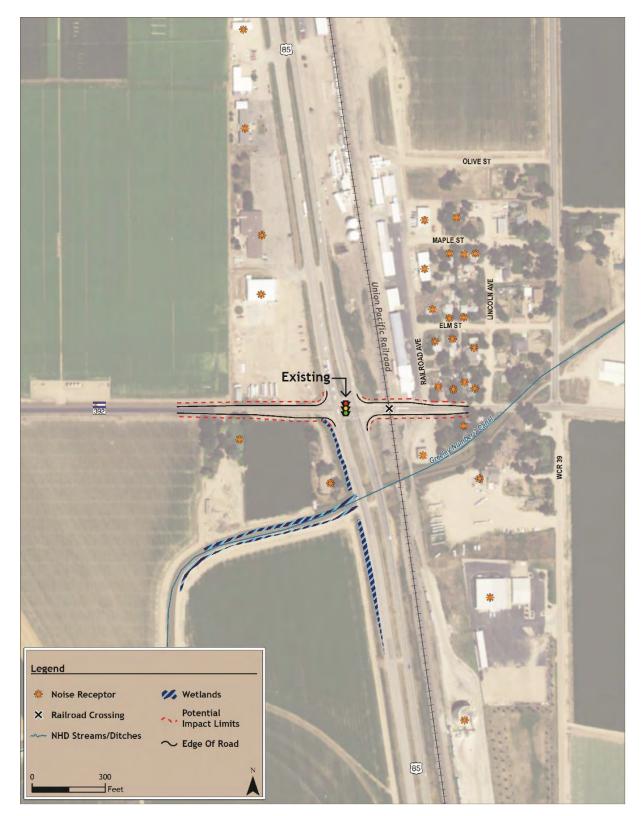
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# **Next Steps**

• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Greeley and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



# US 85 AND SH 392



US 85 and SH 392



### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Lucerne
County(ies)	Weld County
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized
Distance from railroad	Approximately 100'
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Mobility, railroad proximity
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway
Existing LOS, AM/PM	В/В
2035 No-Action LOS	F/F

# **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
3	5	5	13

# **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	An interchange is too impactful	
	at this location	
Recommended	Auxiliary Lane Improvements, as	
improvement type(s)	needed	
	<ul> <li>Would improve mobility and</li> </ul>	
Recommended	access	
improvement evaluation	<ul> <li>Would fit within the</li> </ul>	
(benefits, impacts)	community context	
	<ul> <li>Avoids impacts</li> </ul>	
Recommended		
improvement cost estimate	1,400,000	
(Does not include ROW	1,400,000	
costs)		
	Safety - Relocate mast arms	
	to shoulders. Install flashing	
	yellow arrows or protected	
	only. Install flashing warning	
Interim improvements	signs.	
	<ul> <li>Mobility - Additional NB left</li> </ul>	
	turn lane, additional	
	accepting WB lane on SH 392,	
	and additional WB left turn	
	lane	

### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, traffic signal, diamond interchange
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action, diamond interchange
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul><li>No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need</li><li>Diamond interchange would result in severe community impacts</li></ul>
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include coordination with interim improvements

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable. Wetland delineations will be required to determine the scope of possible Section 404 permitting.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Lucerne and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



# US 85 AND WCR 70 AND WCR 72



US 85 and WCR 70 and WCR 72



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Eaton		
County(ies)	Weld County		
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO		
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized		
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'		
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity		
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway		
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway		

	WCR 70	WCR 72
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	A/B
2035 No-Action LOS	B/D	A/C

#### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

Location	LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
WCR 70	1.5	1.5	2.5	5.5
WCR 72	1.25	2.5	2.5	6.25

## **Recommended Improvement**

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Key observations	Closure at WCR 72 is supported by new improvements in Eaton and full access maintained at WCR 70
Recommended improvement type(s)	No change at WCR 70 Closure on the east side at WCR 72
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor land use impacts</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000
Interim improvements	None

## **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, full closure, closure on east and west side
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address safety needs
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include minor impacts to local agricultural land uses (changes in travel patterns).

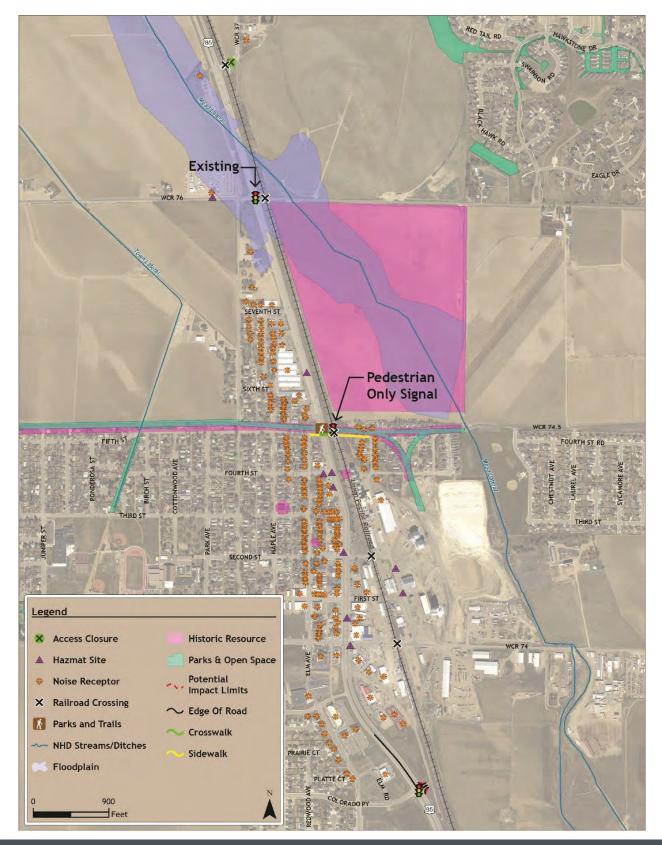
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#### **Next Steps**

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Eaton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts and change in travel patterns.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Eaton, Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).
- Action would require an amendment to the ACP.



# **US 85 AND COLORADO PARKWAY**



US 85 and Colorado Parkway



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Eaton	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	-	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No major issues	
Existing roadway classification	Main street	
PEL recommended classification	Main street	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B	

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Connects Colorado Parkway east of the highway
Recommended improvement type(s)	Signal
Recommended	Improves safety
improvement evaluation	Fits within community
(benefits, impacts)	context
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$800,000
Interim improvements	None

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	0.5	0	1.5

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	Signal
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	N/A
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations are to avoid impacts to local land uses

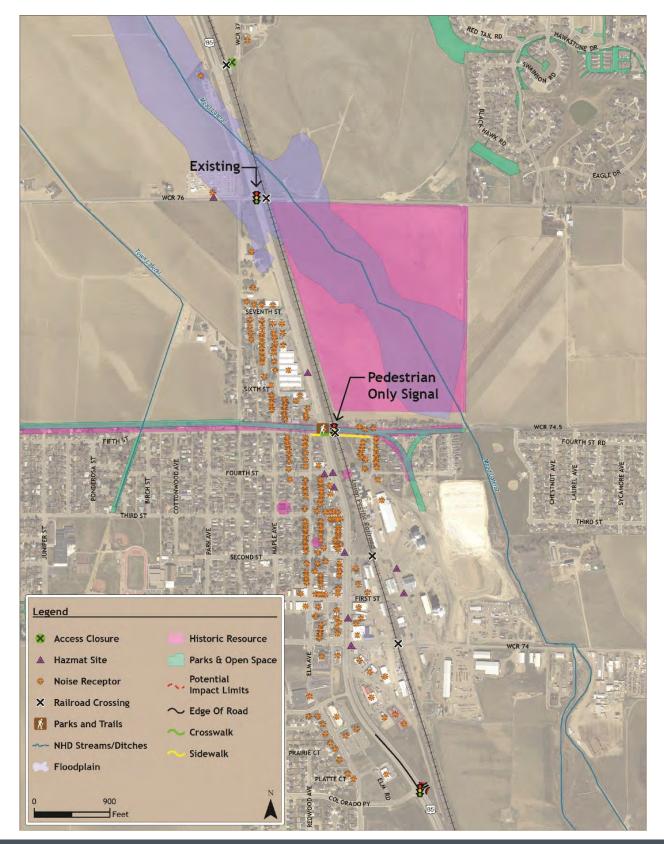
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#### **Next Steps**

• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Town of Eaton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts and changes in travel patterns.



# US 85 AND 5TH STREET (EATON)



US 85 and 5th Street (Eaton)



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Eaton	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 40'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Main street	
PEL recommended classification	Main street	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B	

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Pedestrian crossing enhancements for Great Western Trail
Recommended	Signal; pedestrian crossing
improvement type(s)	enhancements
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility and access</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Avoids impacts to land uses, hazmat site, and historic resource</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$600,000
Interim improvements	Mobility - Pedestrian improvements and additional WB left turn lane

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1	2.5	4.5

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, signal
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action does not effectively address access or safety needs
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations include avoidance of impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential land uses</li> <li>Hazmat facilities</li> <li>NRHP-eligible Great Western Railroad (historic resource)</li> </ul>

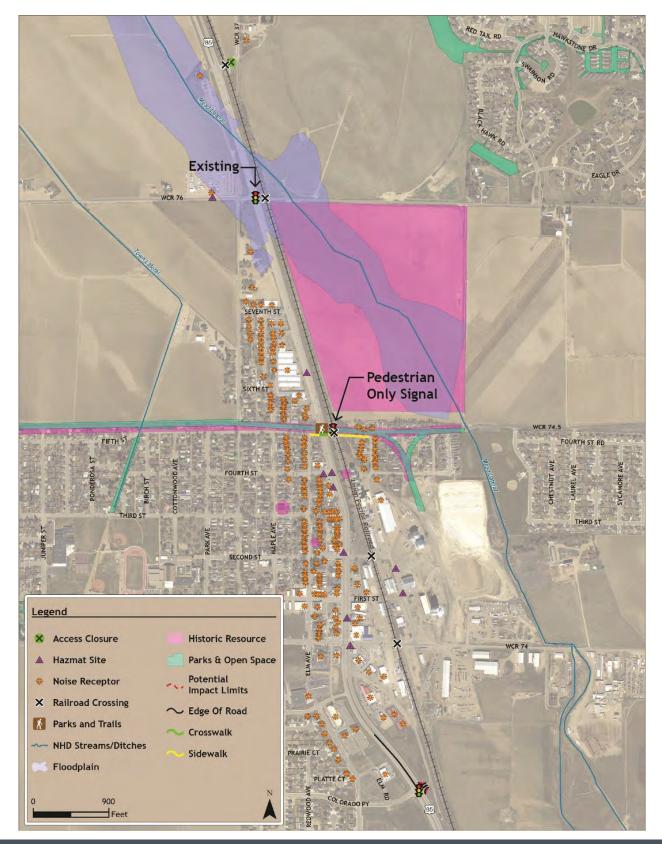
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#### **Next Steps**

- Determining scope of NEPA and permitting process: Potentially eligible historic resources not previously assessed will require surveys to determine their eligibility with NRHP, and Section 106 consultation should impacts be unavoidable.
- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Eaton and Weld County to avoid land use conflicts and change in travel patterns.



## **US 85 AND WCR 76**





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Eaton	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 40'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Safety, railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Main street	
PEL recommended classification	Main street	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/B	

## **Recommended Improvement**

	Signal provides a safer crossing		
Key observations	of the highway; this is a high		
	priority location for Eaton		
Recommended	Signal; pedestrian crossing		
improvement type(s)	enhancements		
	Improves safety		
Recommended	Fits within Community		
improvement evaluation	context		
(benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Avoids impacts to land use</li> </ul>		
	and floodplain		
Recommended			
improvement cost estimate	A 400,000		
(Does not include ROW	\$400,000		
costs)			
	Mobility - Additional EB and WB		
Interim improvements	turn lanes		

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1.5	3.5	4	9

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action and signal	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address safety or access needs	
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations include avoidance of community and floodplain impacts	

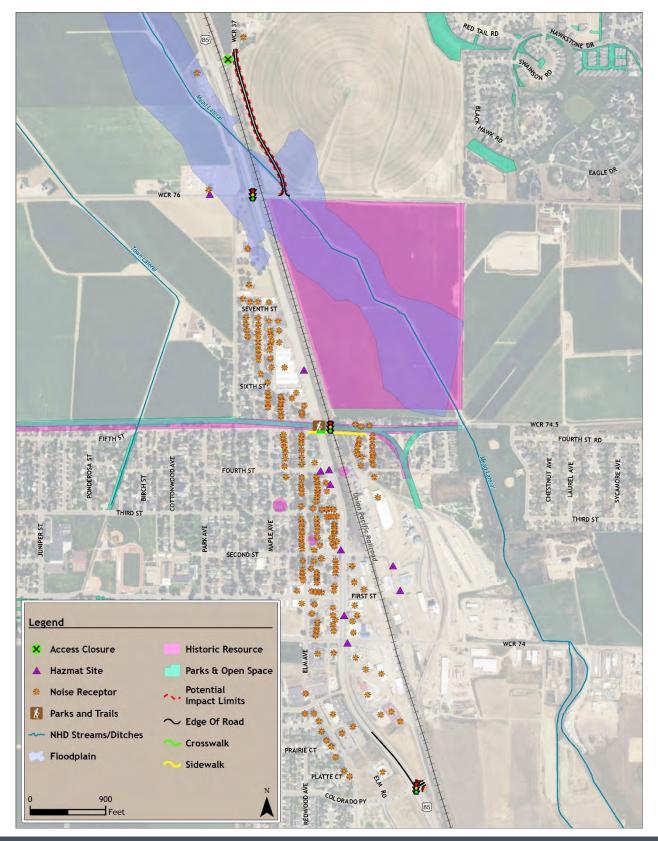
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#### **Next Steps**

• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Town of Eaton and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts and change in travel patterns.



## **US 85 AND WCR 37**





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	-	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	NFRMPO	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	No major issues	
Existing roadway classification	Standard expressway	
PEL recommended classification	Standard expressway	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	-	
2035 No-Action LOS	-	

#### **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	Works in coordination with signal at WCR 76
Recommended	Closure, with new parallel
improvement type(s)	connection to WCR 76
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Minor impacts to land uses and agriculture</li> </ul>
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000
Interim improvement	None

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
-	-	-	-

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, closure, closure with parallel road	
Eliminated improvement types	N/A	
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A	
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action	
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need	
Environmental considerations         Primary considerations include minimizing and avoiding impacts to           • Residential and agricultural land uses (changes in travel patter)		

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### **Next Steps**

- Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Town of Eaton Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts and change in travel patterns.
- Closure is dependent upon coordination and consensus between relevant parties (Weld County, CDOT, and UPRR).

# US 85 AND SH 14/1ST STREET (AULT)



US 85 and SH 14/1st Street (Ault)



#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Ault	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFRTPR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, signalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 100'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Main street	
PEL recommended classification	Main street	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	A/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	B/B	

## **Recommended Improvement**

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Key observations	Provides pedestrian connection from east side of town to school
Recommended improvement type(s)	Pedestrian crossing enhancements; pedestrian, preemption signals
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Avoids impacts to environmental resources
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$100,000
Interim improvements	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1.5	5	7.5

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No action, pedestrian crossing enhancements
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	Does not effectively address purpose and need; does not address safety concerns
Environmental considerations	

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

#### **Next Steps**

• Transportation planning coordination: Coordination with Town of Ault and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts.



# US 85 AND WCR 90 (PIERCE)





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Pierce	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFRTPR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 50'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Arterial	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/B	
2035 No-Action LOS	B/A	

## **Recommended Improvement**

Key observations	No improvements at Main Avenue	
Recommended improvement type(s)	Traffic signal; pedestrian crossing enhancements; shoulder improvements from Eaton to Nunn	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves mobility and safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Avoids impacts to environmental resources including Spring Creek floodplain</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$500,000	
Interim improvements	None	

### **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	1.5	4.5	7

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvement types	No Action and signal
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address safety needs
Environmental considerations	Primary considerations are to avoid impacts to the community, and Spring Creek floodplain

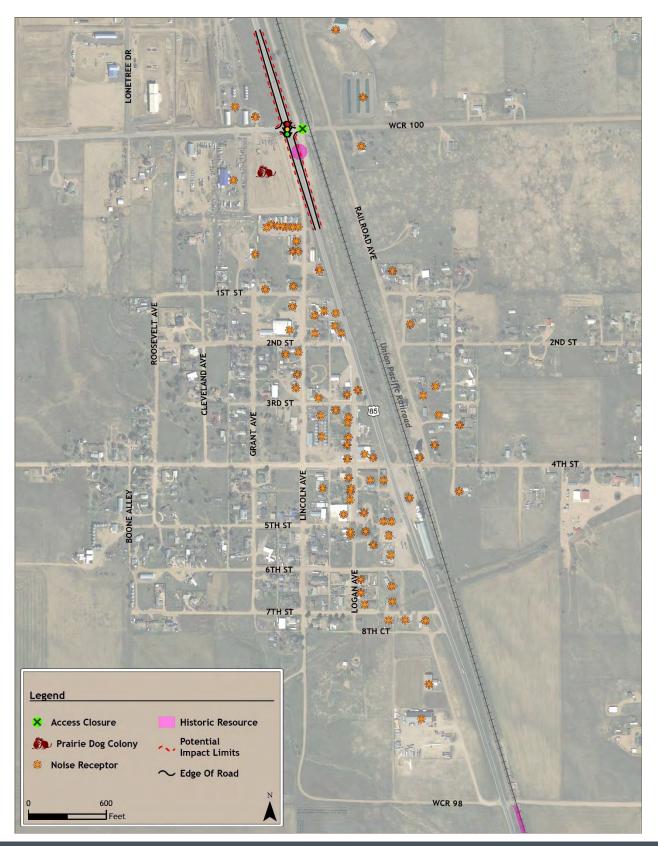
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#### **Next Steps**

• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Pierce and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use conflicts and change in travel patterns.



## **US 85 AND WCR 100**





#### **Overview**

Municipality(ies)	Nunn	
County(ies)	Weld County	
MPO/TPR	UFRTPR	
Existing facility type	Full movement, unsignalized	
Distance from railroad	Approximately 130'	
Known problems (based on PEL purpose and need)	Railroad proximity	
Existing roadway classification	Arterial	
PEL recommended classification	Arterial	
Existing LOS, AM/PM	B/A	
2035 No-Action LOS	A/A	

## **Recommended Improvement**

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Key observations		
Recommended	Traffic signal; Closure on east	
improvement type(s)	side	
Recommended improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	<ul> <li>Improves safety</li> <li>Fits within community context</li> <li>Avoids impacts to land use and Spring Creek floodplain, and T&amp;E Species</li> </ul>	
Recommended improvement cost estimate (Does not include ROW costs)	\$400,000	
Interim improvements	Safety - Install larger stop signs. "Do Not Block Intersection" (R10-7) on west leg. Add beacons if problem persists	

## **Prioritization** (1-5 each, 15 total)

LOS	Safety	Railroad	Overall
1	5	1	7

#### **PEL Screening Process**

Evaluated improvements	No Action, traffic signal
Eliminated improvement types	N/A
Eliminated improvement evaluation (benefits, impacts)	N/A
Feasible, not recommended improvements	No Action
Feasible, not recommended evaluation (benefits, impacts)	No Action would not effectively address Purpose and Need
Environmental considerations	<ul> <li>Primary considerations are to avoid impacts to:</li> <li>Commercial and residential land uses (changes in travel patterns)</li> <li>Black-tailed prairie dog habitat w/ potential for burrowing owls in SW quadrant, and 500-year floodplain</li> </ul>

For additional information, see Appendix C of the US 85 Planning and Environmental Linkages Report

## Next Steps

• Land use and transportation planning coordination: Coordination with City of Nunn and Weld County to avoid or minimize land use, environmental conflicts, and change in travel patterns.