

Central Park Boulevard Interchange

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Central Park Boulevard Interchange Project Architecture and Aesthetics

The new bridge carrying Central Park Boulevard over I-70 will form a gateway for traffic traveling on I-70 from the east and from Denver International Airport into the City and County of Denver. The bridge will include architectural and aesthetic enhancements:

- Bridge monuments and curved site walls to architecturally anchor the structure
- A theme of curved arcs and special pedestrian railings on both sides of the bridge

- Prominent raised metal lettering strongly identifying the bridge as "Central Park Boulevard"
- Strong nighttime lighting elements accenting the bridge monuments and its abutment site walls
- Landscaping that adds character and softens the architecture of Central Park Boulevard in the vicinity of the project
- Sustainable landscaping concepts including low maintenance buffalo grasses

Ways to learn more about the project, lane closures and/or traffic shifts

- Website: www.denvergov.org/CPBinterchange
- Variable message boards along I-70 and I-270
- Sign up for e-mail alerts via the website
- Project information line: 303-991-4588
- E-mail: cpbinterchange@wilsonco.com

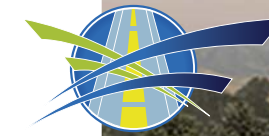
The Central Park Boulevard Interchange Project is ready to launch!

Since 2000, the former Stapleton International Airport site has been redeveloped with residential and commercial development, and it's time to add essential connections to Denver's regional street infrastructure.

A critical part of this plan is to connect the Stapleton community north and south of Interstate 70. This will be done through two separate but coordinated projects: the City and County of Denver (CCD), the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) Central Park Boulevard Interchange Project, which will connect Central Park Boulevard with I-70 and I-270; and Forest City Stapleton and Park Creek Metro District's Central Park Boulevard Connections Project, from 36th Avenue north to Northfield Blvd.

After the environmental assessment for the interchange was completed (in 2009) and it was determined that issues would be appropriately addressed, a Finding of No Significant Impact was signed and the interchange was officially authorized by CDOT and FHWA.

The interchange project is ready to launch! The City and County of Denver - Public Works project team, the Forest City development group, and all the agencies involved are excited to start the interchange endeavor, which will be closely coordinated with the extension of the boulevard itself.

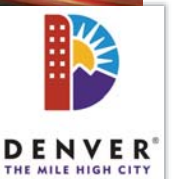
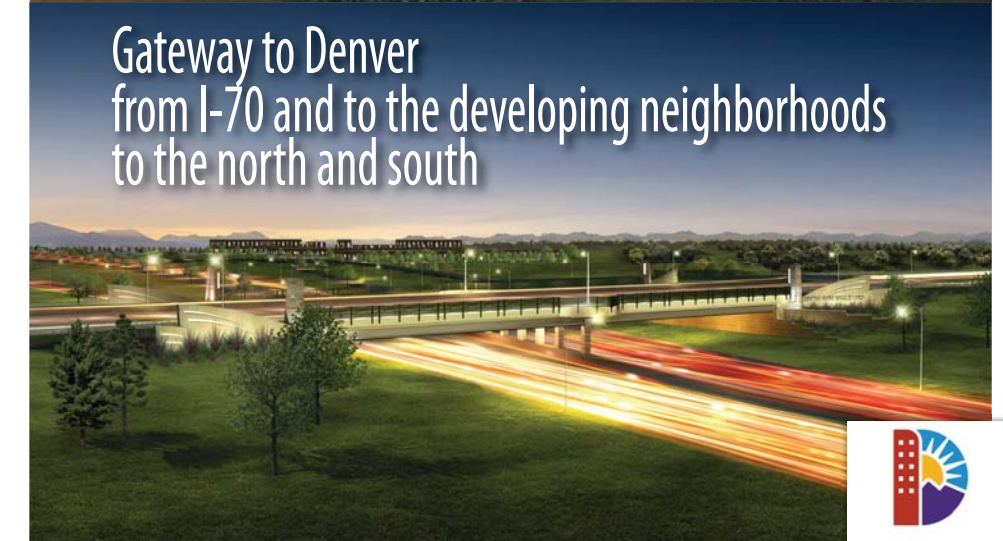


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Central Park Boulevard Interchange
Design-Build Project



Gateway to Denver
from I-70 and to the developing neighborhoods
to the north and south



Design-Build Construction

This method provides a single source of responsibility for both the design and construction of the project. It provides an economic fast track project that best responds to the project goals and objectives. The design-build contract for Central Park Boulevard Interchange with I-70 Project was awarded to SEMA Construction, Inc., on

January 29, 2010. SEMA Construction, Inc., is a full-service construction firm located in Centennial, Colorado. SEMA has teamed with Wilson & Company, Inc., to provide the engineering design for the Central Park Boulevard Interchange Project. Wilson & Company is located in Denver, Colorado.



The Central Park Boulevard I-70 Interchange Project between I-270 and Havana Street will provide access to both sides of the Stapleton neighborhood development

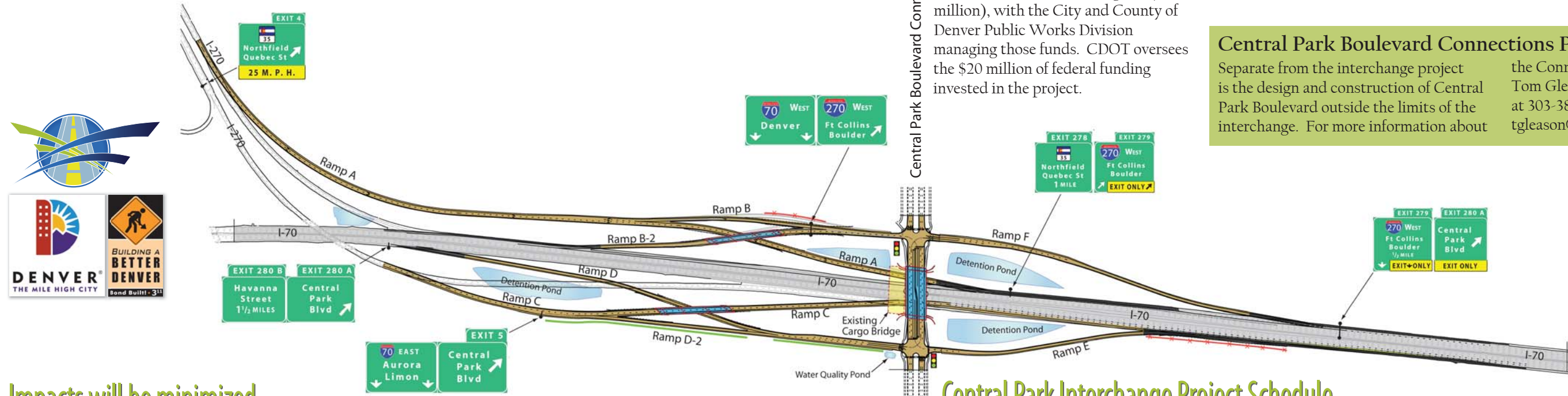
The project, which includes a new bridge that crosses I-70, will allow drivers easier access to the neighborhoods south of I-70 and to the Northfield Shops, and will also provide a gateway to the developing areas in Stapleton and beyond. The redevelopment of the 4,700-acre former Stapleton airport site is one of the nation's largest urban mixed-use infill developments. Stapleton has a projected build out of 30,000 residents

and expects to provide employment for 35,000 workers. The plan envisions the development as pedestrian and transit friendly, and neighborhood oriented. The new interchange will embrace this vision while providing mobility to drivers.

South of I-70: The Stapleton development is rapidly completing planned neighborhoods, parks, schools, and commercial and retail centers, including the Quebec Square

regional retail center and the East 29th Avenue Town Center.

North of I-70: The activity centers are developing rapidly as well, with the shops at Northfield Stapleton, a 1.2 million square foot "lifestyle retail center," Dick's Sporting Goods Park in Commerce City, the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center and the new Commerce City civic center building.



Impacts will be minimized – offline work will produce faster pace

The Central Park Boulevard Interchange Project is providing direct access with Central Park Boulevard and two major interstate highways, I-70 and I-270. As a result the interchange is more complex than the typical "diamond" type interchanges motorists are most familiar with. A network of "braided" ramps is necessary along the north and south sides of I-70 to provide access to and from the two interstate highways.

The ramp systems are being built on non-developable land, and Central Park Boulevard itself is a new road, so there will be very little impact to the traveling public on I-70 or I-270. SEMA intends to build the ramp system first so that when it becomes necessary to build the new interchange bridge, the ramps will be used to re-route I-70 traffic without the use of existing, local Stapleton streets for detours. The re-routing

will occur at night when key activities are performed, such as erecting girders for the new bridge.

Excepting those nighttime activities and a few weekend ramp lane reductions, there will be no reductions in the existing number of I-70 and I-270 lanes during construction. The area will still be a construction zone requiring motorist to stay alert and careful when driving through the area.

Tight Coordination Yields Big Benefits

Steve Coggins, the City and County of Denver project director, is leading an intense, complex and fruitful coordination between these entities:

- City and County of Denver
- Better Denver Bond Program
- Federal Highway Administration through the Colorado Department of Transportation oversight
- Denver Regional Council of Governments
- Forest City Stapleton and the Park Creek Metro District's Connections Project

The majority of the funding for the \$50 million interchange project comes from the Better Denver Bond Program (\$30 million), with the City and County of Denver Public Works Division managing those funds. CDOT oversees the \$20 million of federal funding invested in the project.

These federal dollars came from three sources: American Recovery Reinvestment Act (ARRA); SAFETEA-LU, which is allocated through the Denver Regional Council of Governments; and the Interstate Maintenance (IM) funds.

As the City and County of Denver's Design Oversight Manager, Jess Ortiz has guided the development of the project from its inception through its conceptual design and environmental clearances to make the project ready for construction and will continue to guide the project through its completion.

Pedestrian Amenities

The project design is being completed with special amenities to provide a project that is friendly to pedestrians and bicyclists.

These include:

- A twelve foot sidewalk on both sides across the Central Park Boulevard Interchange
- Well-lighted pedestrian walkways across the Central Park Blvd. bridge
- Tightly designed ramp intersections at each end of the bridge to best accommodate pedestrian movements through the intersection areas. The intersection design focused on safety and effectiveness for pedestrians, not just vehicular traffic.

Central Park Boulevard Connections Project
 Separate from the interchange project is the design and construction of Central Park Boulevard outside the limits of the interchange. For more information about the Connections Project, please call Tom Gleason, Forest City Stapleton at 303-382-1800 or e-mail him at tgleason@stapletondenver.com

Central Park Interchange Project Schedule

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