Aging sign structures set for replacement

PROJECT OVERVIEW
CDOT and prime contractor, WL Contractors Inc., will replace five overhead sign bridges and cantilever sign structures along I-25, I-70 and I-76 between late February and June. First, crews need to construct concrete supports for the new cantilever structures. Signs will be either replaced or reset on the new structures. Once the signs are placed, both northbound I-25 and westbound I-70 will be subject to full highway closures in order to remove the old sign bridges. Many of the affected signs will be replaced with new signs that use “full-cube” prismatic reflective sheeting, which improves night-visibility. Sixteen signs are set for replacement or relocation.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS
The majority of the work will be performed during the day outside of travel lanes. During daylight hours, motorists should expect crews adjacent to the highway. The project will also require intermittent, overnight lane closures (Sunday through Thursday). Motorists should expect short-term traffic impacts in each of the following three work zones while sign structure work takes place.

1. Northbound I-25 between 17th Avenue and Speer Boulevard (MP 210 - 212)
2. Westbound I-70 between Sheridan Boulevard and Wadsworth Boulevard (MP 269 - 271)
3. Eastbound I-76 between Federal Boulevard and Pecos Street (MP 3 - 4)

Speed limits may also be reduced in work zones. All work is weather-dependent and subject to change.

Sign bridge removal will require full highway closures overnight this spring
Both northbound I-25 and westbound I-70 will be subject to two nights of full closure for overhead sign bridge removal. As the project progresses, visit www.codot.gov/projects/denver-metro-sign-structures for more information on planned highway closures including detour routes. Approximately one week in advance, information will be also be posted on www.cotrip.org and on variable message signs.

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For additional information about this project, call the project information line at 303-801-7008, email the project team at signs@workzone.info or visit the project website at www.codot.gov/projects/denver-metro-sign-structures. For updates on travel conditions, visit Cotrip.org, sign up for GovDelivery, or call 511. Updates are also available via Twitter @coloradodot and CDOT’s Facebook page at Facebook.com/coloradodot.