

# E-470 ROAD WIDENING & TRAIL EXPANSION

———— I-70 TO 104TH AVE ————



## WHAT IS THE PROJECT?

E-470 is building more capacity on the roadway from I-70 to 104th Avenue, adding a third travel lane in each direction along this 11-mile stretch to help move more people and stay ahead of population growth in the area. The project also includes a four-mile extension of the High Plains Trail, which runs adjacent to the roadway, from 26th to 64th Avenues to provide better connections to other trails in the region for people on bikes and on foot.

### Additional Travel Enhancements

- Trail expansion will include a new 10-foot-wide multi-use path and new traffic signals with pedestrian countdowns will be added at interchanges to help facilitate safer crossings for pedestrians and people on bikes at 38th, 56th, and 64th Avenues
- New interchanges at 38th Avenue and at 48th Avenue
- Expanding the existing interchange at 64th Avenue and widening the bridge over E-470 as new development moves toward the airport, just east of the Gaylord Rockies Resort and Convention Center
- Building a collector road at the E-470 northbound interchange with Pena Boulevard (like the southbound Pena interchange), which will enhance safety by separating traffic on the interchange from higher speed mainline through-traffic
- New deer fencing to protect wildlife and reduce vehicle-wildlife collisions on the roadway
- Freshly paved asphalt surface to provide a smoother ride

## WHY IS E-470 BEING WIDENED?

People choose to take E-470 because it provides a quick, safe, and reliable commute. To maintain this level of service, E-470 is building more capacity now to stay ahead of population growth coming to the region to keep people moving in the east Denver metro area.

E-470 has been working to build more capacity on its 47-mile roadway since 2016. This project picks up at I-70 where the last E-470 road widening effort left off. The previous effort added a third travel lane in both directions from Quincy Avenue to I-70.

## WHAT IMPROVEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO THE HIGH PLAINS TRAIL AS PART OF THE EXTENSION?

The four-mile extension of the High Plains Trail (from 26th to 64th Avenues) will include a new 10-foot-wide multi-use path to serve as a new north-south connection for residents in Aurora and Adams County. In addition, traffic signals with pedestrian countdowns will be added at 38th, 56th, and 64th Avenues to enhance safety for pedestrians and people on bikes crossing at the interchanges. Construction on the trail extension is anticipated to be complete in 2025.

Through its road widening projects, E-470 has built more than 12.5 miles of the High Plains Trail to provide better regional trail connections to the Cherry Creek, Piney Creek, Happy Canyon, and C-470 Trails.

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## HOW IS THE PROJECT FUNDED?

The multi-million dollar project is funded through toll revenue. No local, state, or federal funds are being used for the project.

## HOW LONG WILL CONSTRUCTION LAST ON THE ROADWAY?

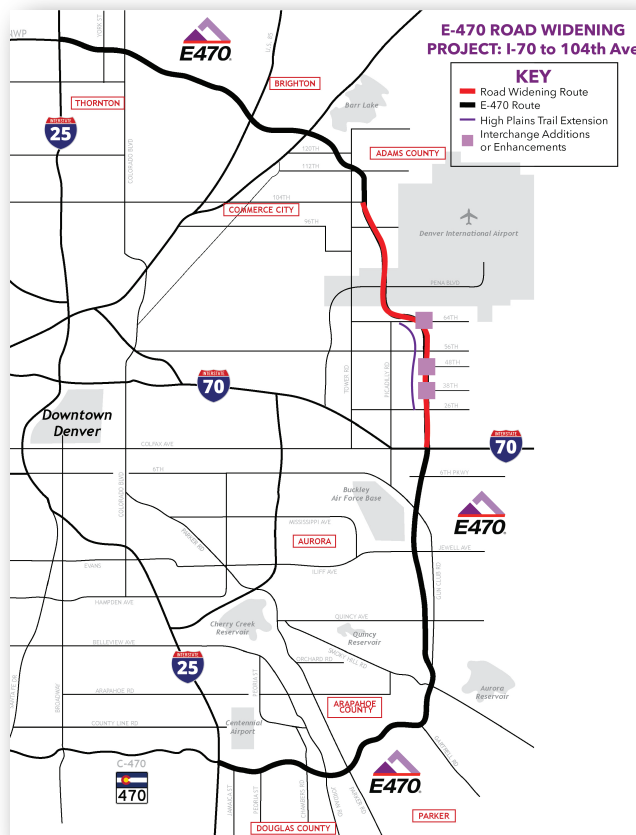
Construction is expected to begin September 2022 and is anticipated to be complete in 2025. Crews will work in phases, beginning at the southern end of E-470 from I-70 to north of Pena Boulevard.

## WHAT ARE THE TRAVEL IMPACTS?

While construction is underway, concrete barriers will be in place throughout the work zone. People should expect intermittent single travel lane closures on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. as well as during overnight hours between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Slower speeds will also be advised. E-470 message boards will alert people about the work in advance. The public's patience and cooperation are greatly appreciated. All work is weather dependent and subject to change.

## HOW CAN I STAY UP TO DATE ON THE PROJECT?

For project information and construction updates, please visit [e-470.com](http://e-470.com) and go to the "Projects" webpage, which can be found under the "Travel Info" tab. On the road widening project webpage, you can also sign-up for email updates. In addition, you can contact the project team if you have any additional questions at (303)376-0156 or email [roadwidening@e-470.com](mailto:roadwidening@e-470.com).



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