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AURORA CELEBRATES COMPLETION OF NEW E-470 AND 48TH AVENUE INTERCHANGE

This new strategic connection point enhances connectivity points for homes, businesses, and local employers

Aurora, CO – Windler, a new master-planned community in Aurora, and the E-470 Public Highway Authority today marked the completion of its newest interchange at E-470 and 48th Avenue with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. This infrastructure project represents a significant milestone in improving regional connectivity and supporting Aurora's rapid growth. This project completes the new E-470 interchanges in Aurora.

"The completion of the 48th Avenue interchange is a key milestone for E-470 and the surrounding region," said Joe Donahue, Executive Director of the E-470 Public Highway Authority. "This project enhances connectivity and demonstrates the power of public-private collaboration in supporting growth, mobility, and development in the Windler area. We're proud to help lay the foundation for the region's future."

To celebrate the opening, tolls at the new 48th Avenue interchange will be waived for all users through June 6, 2025.

The newly constructed interchange provides crucial access to Aurora's expanding northeastern communities, including the developing areas of Windler, Painted Prairie, and High Point. The project features new on and off ramps and a widened bridge at 48th Avenue, designed to accommodate increasing traffic demands in the region.

Chris Fellows from GVP Windler remarked, "The completion of this interchange is a crucial component in our area's development strategy, providing essential connectivity for both residential and commercial growth for Windler and the surrounding communities in the Aerotropolis area."

The project is part of E-470's comprehensive improvement plan supporting the development of current and future communities and job growth. The interchange will serve as a vital connection point for the expanding Aerotropolis region. The region is governed by the Aerotropolis Regional Transportation Authority (ARTA), which oversees transportation and infrastructure improvements. ARTA is made up of Adams County, the City of Aurora, and the Aerotropolis Area Coordinating Metropolitan District (AACMD).

About E-470

E-470 is a 47-mile highway that forms the eastern half of a beltway around the Denver metro area. It is a regional roadway that connects to I-25 and C-470 in the south and to I-25 and the Northwest Parkway in the north providing drivers with a safe and reliable 75-mph commute. E-470 is funded primarily through toll revenue, and receives no local, state, or federal funding for operations, maintenance and improvements. The E-470 Public Highway Authority is a political sub-division of the state of Colorado. A Board of Directors govern E-470 and is comprised of eight local governments including Adams, Arapahoe, and Douglas counties, as well as the municipalities of Aurora, Brighton, Commerce City, Parker, and Thornton. Additionally, E-470 operates *ExpressToll*, the all-electronic toll collection system available on E-470, Northwest Parkway, and CDOT Express Lanes. For more information, visit www.e-470.com.

About Windler

Windler is Aurora, Colorado's newest master-planned community, opening in spring 2025 in the dynamic Aerotropolis area. Built on the historic Windler family homestead established in 1881, this vibrant community honors its rich heritage, while creating a modern living environment for approximately 5,000 new residences – with more than 170 acres dedicated to parks and open space. Windler features thoughtfully designed amenities, including a community pool, extensive walking trails, and multiple parks. Located 8 minutes from Denver International Airport (DEN) with easy access to I-70 and E-470. Future retail, commercial, and hospitality offerings will be available to residents with over 850 acres of carefully planned space. For more info, visit www.livewindler.com.

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Interchange Project Highlights

- New full-service interchange at E-470 and 48th Avenue
- Enhanced access ramps in all directions
- Widened bridge infrastructure
- Improved traffic flow capabilities
- Strategic connection point for northeastern Aurora development
- The project has been completed on time and completes the new E-470 interchanges in Aurora.

Aerotropolis Development

- Part of the Colorado Aerotropolis initiative surrounding Denver International Airport
- Expected to create 170,000 new jobs in the region
- Focus on advanced manufacturing, aerospace, agriculture, renewable energy, and healthcare
- Collaborative effort between Adams County, City of Aurora, and multiple municipalities

Transportation Benefits

- Reduced travel times for area residents
- Improved access to E-470
- Enhanced connectivity to several regional and international companies and organizations including:
 - Denver International Airport (8-minute drive)
 - CU Anschutz Hospital
 - Future Philip Morris International Facility
 - Colorado Air and Space Port
 - Fitzsimmons Innovation Community
- Strategic link in regional transportation network for logistics and transportation

Project Partners

- E-470 Public Highway Authority
- Adams County
- City of Aurora
- Aerotropolis Regional Transportation Authority (ARTA)
- Development partners including Windler

Future Impact

- Supports projected growth for new residents in Windler, Painted Prairie, and surrounding areas
- Supports 20,000 new jobs in next five years
- Facilitates development of new commercial and retail spaces
- Enhances regional connectivity

For more information:

E-470 Public Highway Authority: www.e-470.com • Windler Development: www.livewindler.com • City of Aurora: www.auroragov.org