



Weekly Construction Update June 2 - 8, 2018

HIGHLIGHTS & CLOSURES

- **Emerald Park Railway Crossing & US 40 Intersection** Work Ongoing
- **Lincoln Ave Signal Upgrades** Underway by CDOT
- **CDOT US40/Rabbit Ears Pass** See Continued Travel Impacts

EMERALD PARK ACCESS & RAILWAY CROSSING

United Companies will continue work on the Emerald Park Access construction project. This phase focuses on the reconstruction of the intersection of Emerald Park Lane and Lincoln Avenue, which is expected to run until mid-June. Highway 40 (Lincoln Ave) work includes reconstruction of the median, placement of additional drainage and restriping.

It is anticipated that Lincoln Avenue will be reduced to one lane in either direction this weekend (June 2 & 3). The closure allows concrete work performed during the past week to properly cure.



For the upcoming week, Lincoln Avenue will continue to be reduced to one lane in either direction at the Emerald Park/US 40 intersection. The travelers should expect traffic delays, especially during peak commuting periods.

When one lane is closed, please use the full two lanes up to the merge point. Then take turns with other drivers to safely and smoothly ease into the remaining open lane. By following this process, dangerous lane switching, inconsistent driving speeds and long back-ups that block intersections can be significantly reduced.

Union Pacific crews are expected to arrive on Monday June 4, to install the new railroad crossing surface. This work is anticipated to take a few days. In addition, the new crossing is not complete and is not open for public use, even for pedestrians. Using the new crossing area to access the park is considered trespassing and those using that area to cross the railroad tracks could be subject to enforcement.

Users of the Emerald Park fields and the Botanic Park can expect to see work within the parking lot near Pamela Lane. During construction activities, there will be times when up to half of the parking lot could be closed. Parking along Pamela Lane is not allowed by park users.



LINCOLN AVENUE SIGNAL UPGRADES

Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) began work on upgrades and retiming of the signals along US40 throughout town. These upgrades include improved computer hardware that run the signals and is in anticipation of signal timing reprogramming along the US40 corridor.

The new hardware does result in some alterations of how the signals operate. Motorists may note some variations to the signal timing that they are accustomed to experiencing. CDOT crews are aware and will be working to smooth these differences out as the new hardware is implemented.



Some notable changes that motorists can expect to see is a change in how the Pine Grove/US40 intersection left turn arrow works from eastbound US40 onto Pine Grove Road. There will no longer be a green arrow before and after the red signal on US40.

This month, a new signal timing plan will be programmed into the entire system. As part of the project, there may also be some changes and alterations of the signal arrangements with the most notable changes being additional red left turn arrows, the addition of bicycle detection at select intersections, and enhanced vehicle detection.

US 40/RABBIT EARS PASS



The project started on April 30, 2018, with crews beginning to repairing and resurfacing more than 12 miles of US 40, between Walton Creek Road (mile point 135.3) to the summit of Rabbit Ears Pass (mile point 147.5) as part of a \$6.4 million contract with United Companies. In addition, work replaces a drainage culvert east of the summit (mile point 151.92).

Those interested in staying up to date on the US 40 Rabbit Ears Pass project and work schedule can do so by visiting the project web site at (click on the ALERTS icon in the upper right corner, follow the instructions to sign up for “[US 40 Rabbit Ears Pass Repair& Resurfacing](#)” under the Projects list). The public information line is 970.819.6333 and the email is us40rabbitears@gmail.com.

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