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I-25 South Gap Project Monument–Castle Rock

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Road construction ramps up near Monument as part of I-25 South Gap project

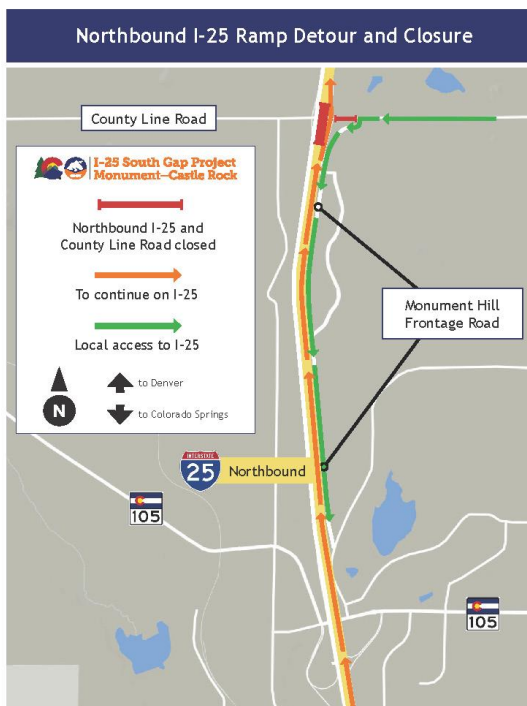
Full overnight weekend closures of I-25; closure of Frontage Road continues through spring 2021

DOUGLAS/EL PASO COUNTIES – Drivers in the Monument area should be prepared for additional traffic impacts as work begins near County Line Road and on the Monument Hill Frontage Road as part of the I-25 South Gap project.

I-25 and County Line Road Traffic Impacts: Aug. 21 and Aug. 22:

Construction begins this weekend near County Line Road with drainage replacement. One direction of Interstate 25 will be closed under the County Line Road bridge for 16 hours:

- **6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21, through 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 22,** - Northbound I-25 closed. Traffic will funnel into one lane using the northbound County Line Road off- and on-ramps to detour.
- **6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, through 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 23,** - Southbound I-25 closed. Traffic will funnel into one lane using the southbound County Line Road off- and on-ramps to detour.



Delays up to 10 minutes should be anticipated along I-25 while the detour is in place. Visit cotrip.org for current estimates of travel times.

County Line Road over I-25 also will be closed each night. Local traffic should access I-25 at Colorado Highway 105 from either Monument Hill Frontage Road (east of I-25) or Beacon Lite Road (west of I-25).

During this closure, crews will remove asphalt, install three major drainage crossings up to a 15-foot depth, and then replace the asphalt, which needs time to set. Motorists can expect to see crews setting cones as early as 5 p.m. both nights.

PLEASE NOTE: *This is County Line Road between Douglas and El Paso counties, not between Douglas and Arapahoe counties near C-470.*

Monument Hill Frontage Road Closure Starts Aug. 24

At 5 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 24, a seven-month closure of the Monument Hill Frontage Road begins, east of I-25. This 1,100-foot closure will allow for major drainage replacement, roadway work and construction of a wildlife underpass. Detours will be signed and access to businesses, Palmer Ridge High School and residential property will be maintained.



Stay in Touch for Further Details

The best way to get current closure information is by connecting directly with the project:

Project Hotline: 720-745-5434

Web: i25gap.codot.gov

Sign up for email updates: i25gap@codot.us

Text alerts: Text I25GAP to 21000

Project Facebook Page: [Facebook.com/I25SouthGapProject](https://www.facebook.com/I25SouthGapProject)

For current travel information and updates, visit cotrip.org.

About the Project

CDOT is improving 18 miles of I-25 between Monument and Castle Rock by widening the highway from two to three lanes in each direction. The new lane will operate as an Express Lane, allowing motorists the choice of taking the Express Lane for a faster, more reliable travel time in exchange for a toll. Express Lanes will be free to vehicles with three or more people and motorcycles. All travelers will have the choice of taking the general-purpose lanes for free.

The project also includes shoulder widening, rebuilding bridges, new wildlife crossings, resurfacing with new pavement and modernizing technology. Project completion is scheduled for 2022.

Remember to Slow for the Cone Zone

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

- Do not speed in work zones; obey the posted speed limits.
- Stay Alert! Expect the unexpected.
- Watch for workers; drive with caution.
- Don't change lanes unnecessarily.
- Avoid using mobile devices, such as phones, while driving in work zones.
- Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you.
- Be especially alert at night while driving in work zones.
- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.
- [Allow ample space](#) between you and the car in front of you.
- Anticipate lane shifts, and merge when directed to do so.
- Be Patient!

COVID-19

COVID-19 - Safe transportation infrastructure is essential for all of us, particularly for emergency first responders and freight drivers as Colorado navigates the COVID-19 pandemic. With that in mind, CDOT maintenance and construction crews follow social distancing and other health safety measures to reduce COVID-19 exposure on the worksite. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment announced [guidelines for construction activities](#). The public is urged to join the campaign for #DoingMyPartCO by practicing social distancing and wearing face masks. As traffic returns to normal levels, motorists must drive cautiously and heed the speed limit so all of us can return home safely.

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