

US 287 Corridor Safety Improvements Project

The US 287 Corridor Safety Improvements Project adopts a multifaceted approach to delivering urgently needed safety improvements to two rural segments of the highway as it travels from the Colorado/Wyoming border to north Lafayette.

CDOT has conducted multiple safety studies along the corridor, which have identified frequent high-damage crossover crashes, head-on collisions, sideswipes, overturns and wildlife collisions.

The urgent need for these safety improvements continues to escalate; in February 2024, a tragic accident on US 287 took the lives of three students from the University of Wyoming.

To address the current dire conditions, the Project will deliver essential improvements including shoulder widening and passing lane additions, flattening substandard side slopes, wildlife crossing mitigation, intersection improvements, centerline rumble strips, and constructing a median barrier along 11 miles of the highway.

CDOT requested \$47.3M to support the \$78.8M Project.



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Benefit-Cost Ratio

Project Benefits

- Lower fatal crashes by 2.4 crashes a year, and serious injury crashes by 7.8 crashes a year*
- Improved wildlife connectivity through the addition of a wildlife crossing
- Improved connectivity between educational institutions in Laramie, WY, and Fort Collins and Boulder, CO
- Save the state a total of \$478.16M dollars in cost savings by reducing crashes
- Reduced closure times tied to crash clean up

**Calculated based on USDOT Guidance Methodology*

Project Status



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