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Highway Reconstruction Update

Demolition and Dismantling

TRINIDAD – The long awaited demolition begins. What some might have hoped would be a dramatic Hollywood style explosion, in reality will be a controlled and tedious process of breaking off small pieces of the deteriorating bridge and hauling away the debris. The reusable materials will be sent to reclamation facilities for recycling. At this time, the demolition is only for the northbound interstate bridge over Main Street. The southbound on-ramp traffic from Main Street will be detoured on to the Santa Fe Trail. The other bridges will be demolished later this summer. This week, the construction of retaining walls and storm drains continued near Main Street and Commercial Street. The one lane configuration on I-25 will remain in effect for the duration of the project.

A public Information meeting was held Tuesday evening special guests included Trinidad's Mayor Reorda, Russell George Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Transportation and Tim Harris Region 2 Transportation Director. Project engineers and experts and CDOT executives were on hand to present construction plans, schedule and answer community questions.

Traffic updates and project information can be seen on the project web site www.i25trinidad.com. Information about this or other CDOT projects is available at www.cotrip.org or by calling (877) 315-ROAD throughout Colorado. Information is also available by dialing 511.

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