



PUEBLO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Chapter 7: Corridor Visions

(see also Appendix 7 for Details)

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7.1 Pueblo MPO / TPR Corridors

7.1.1 Introduction

The Pueblo area is blessed with a relatively mild climate and gentle topography that makes travel by non-motorized modes an enjoyable experience. Over the past twenty years, the City of Pueblo, Pueblo County, and other local and state agencies have continued to improve sidewalk and trail facilities to enhance non-motorized travel throughout the region. Further enhancements to the non-motorized transportation system could play an ever-increasing role in accommodating the travel needs of the Pueblo residents and visitors.

7.1.2 Corridors with Investment Categories

I-25 – New Mexico State Line to Stem Beach

Rural Freeway Corridor serving principally interstate and inter-regional transportation.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SYSTEM QUALITY (3) SAFETY

I-25 - Stem Beach to Purcell Blvd (Exit 108) *

Urban Freeway through Pueblo including downtown business district, shopping center, and civic attractions.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

I-25 - Purcell to Future S Powers Blvd (Exit 123)

Rural/suburban freeway connecting Pueblo urban area to Colorado Springs urban area

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SYSTEM QUALITY (3) SAFETY

US 050A – Canon City to McCulloch Blvd West

Rural expressway connecting employment centers in Canon City and Florence to Pueblo Urban Area.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

US 050A - McCulloch Blvd West to I-25 *

Urban Expressway with substantial retail and commercial development at intersections and interchanges.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

US 050B - I-25 to Kansas State Line *

Urban and Rural Expressway with substantial adjacent retail, commercial, industrial, and residential development.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

US 050C - I-25 (Ilex) to US 50B

Urban-Suburban Arterial serving moderate commercial and retail with low density residential and agriculture.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

SH 010 – I-25 to US 50

Rural highway cuts across county between La Junta and Walsenburg.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SYSTEM QUALITY (2) SAFETY (3) MOBILITY

SH 045 - Pueblo Boulevard – I-25 S to US 50 to I-25 North

Expressway and major arterial loop connecting US 50 to I-25 on west side of Pueblo. Residential, Retail, and Commercial development. Future connection North of US 50 back to I-25

at Purcell blvd (Exit 108).

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

SH 047 - I-25 to US 50B *

Urban Expressway providing a continuous route for east and westbound traffic on US 50 and some local access.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

SH 078 – Beulah (incl Spur) to SH 45 (Pueblo Blvd.)

Rural highway serving adjacent low density residential, transitioning to urban arterial with adjacent moderate density residential, commercial, and retail land uses.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SYSTEM QUALITY (2) MOBILITY (3) SAFETY

SH 078 - SH 165 to Beulah

Unpaved mountain pass through undeveloped portions of the San Isabel National Forest.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SAFETY (2) SYSTEM QUALITY (3) MOBILITY

SH 096 - SH 45 (Pueblo Blvd) to SH 231 (36th Lane)

Urban Arterial with substantial adjacent retail, commercial, industrial, and residential development.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

SH 096 - SH 231 (36th Lane) to Crowley County Line

Rural highway serving adjacent low density residential, transitioning from urban arterial with adjacent moderate

density residential, commercial, and retail land uses.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SAFETY (2) SYSTEM QUALITY (3) MOBILITY

SH 096 - Westcliffe to SH 45 (Pueblo Blvd.)

Rural highway serving adjacent low density residential, transitioning to urban arterial with adjacent moderate density residential, commercial, and retail land uses.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SYSTEM QUALITY (2) MOBILITY (3) SAFETY

SH 165 - SH 96 to I-25 (Colorado City)

Rural highway serving adjacent low density residential, transitioning from recreational and tourist functions in the San Isabel National Forest.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SYSTEM QUALITY (2) SAFETY (3) MOBILITY

SH 209 - Boone Cutoff (US 50 to SH 96)

Connector from US 50 to Boone. Rural highway with adjacent low-density residential and agriculture.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) SYSTEM QUALITY (2) SAFETY (3) MOBILITY

SH 227 - US 50C (Santa Fe) to SH 96 (4th Street)

Urban arterial connecting St. Charles Mesa, Salt Creek, and Northern Avenue areas to east side areas of Pueblo with Arkansas River crossing.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

SH 231 (36th Lane)

Rural connector between US 50B and US 50C with an Arkansas River crossing and some low density residential.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2)

SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

SH 233 (Baxter Rd.) - US 50B to US 50C

Semi-urban connector between US 50B and US 50C with an Arkansas River crossing and adjacent residential.

INVESTMENT CATEGORIES: (1) MOBILITY (2) SAFETY (3) SYSTEM QUALITY

*Corridors should be considered for inclusion in major statewide improvements efforts such as the current “7th Pot” projects, although not currently included in the Strategic Corridors identification.