

Downtown Estes Loop Project Update

Flatiron Constructors, Inc., under contract with the Federal Highway Administration Central Federal Lands Highway Division, and in partnership with the Town of Estes Park and the Colorado Department of Transportation, will be shifting to new phases of construction anticipated by June 30. The Downtown Estes Loop Project is scheduled to be completed by January of 2025.

Phase 2 construction goals and impacts (July to October):

- A Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) retaining wall on Moraine Avenue next to Fun City
- Craggs Drive and Moraine Avenue roundabout concrete paving
- Baldwin Park retaining walls
- New stairs at Moraine Avenue and West Riverside Drive
- River wall from the new Ivy Street bridge to the Rockwell Street bridge

Phase 3 construction goals and impacts (July to October):

- Elkhorn Drive gas line relocation
- East Riverside Drive storm line construction

Traffic Impacts:

The summer traffic pattern will consist of two-way traffic on all streets within the loop with the exception of West Riverside Drive (one-way). Additionally, Rockwell Drive will keep its current configuration (partial one-way, partial two-way). A three-way stop will occur at two places: East and West Riverside Drive and at Rockwell Drive and East Riverside Drive (please see the map for more details on backside). Other impacts during Phase 2 construction include sidewalk detours around Baldwin Park, continued restricted parking along West Riverside Drive and Moraine Avenue, traffic shifts, and possible intermittent one-lane closures. Traffic control will occur on East Riverside Drive (Monday through Thursday) around utility construction areas.

Creating the Downtown Estes Loop includes the following work:

- Construct a roundabout that connects Craggs Drive, Moraine Avenue/US Highway 36 & West Riverside Drive
- Remove the existing Ivy Street Bridge and construct a new one on a slightly different alignment (completed)
- Improve and relocate utility services throughout the project limits
- Final resurfacing of Moraine Avenue, Elkhorn Avenue and Rockwell Drive
- Reconfigure West and East Riverside Drive for the one-way configuration
- Improve the Elkhorn/Moraine and Elkhorn/Riverside Drive intersections
- Install new landscaping/irrigation and walking trails

General traffic impacts are as follows:

Major construction will take place during non-peak months January through June and October through December. General working hours will be from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Nighttime work (9 p.m. to 6 a.m.) and Sunday work may occur. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures in the work zone throughout the project timeframe. During peak season, these impacts are restricted to Monday through Thursday from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the day, and 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. at night.

For updates, visit www.DowntownEstesLoop.com. For questions, comments or concerns, please call or email the team at: PublicInfoCO@gmail.com or 970-880-2373.

Project Schedule

Winter 2022/2023 (work completed to date):

- Utility relocations (waterline, sewer main, storm trunk, gasoline, power and fiber trench)
- Ivy Street bridge demolition and improvements including bridge abutments, piers, girder placement and the concrete bridge deck

Summer 2023 to Fall/Winter 2023:

- Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) retaining wall on Moraine Avenue next to Fun City
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Fall/Winter 2023 to Spring 2024:

- Improvements to the Elkhorn/Moraine intersection
- Improvements to Elkhorn/East Riverside intersection

Summer 2024 to Fall/Winter 2024:

- Improvements to Elkhorn/Riverside continued
- Resurfacing Moraine Avenue, Elkhorn Avenue and Rockwell Street
- Reconstructing East Riverside Drive
- Installing new landscaping and irrigation



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The final configuration map will occur when the project is completed in January 2025. The temporary configuration will occur for Phase 2 and 3 of construction.

