

Archer Craft Fair Materials



ARCHER CRAFT FAIR INFORMATIONAL BOOTH

3967 Archer Pkwy, Cheyenne, WY 82009 • Saturday, November 16, 9 am - 3 pm

WYDOT understands public meetings can be difficult to attend for many. In response, WYDOT secured a booth at the Archer Craft Fair to bring project information to you.

Our fair booth included a 3D video flyover of the interchange's conceptual design, information brochures, an aerial map identifying key design improvements included in the project, and WYDOT staff. WYDOT was able to discuss the project with local citizens and gather valuable input. With a continuous stream of people visiting the booth there was little time to document comments. However, over 20 comments were recorded at the craft fair. Most booth visitors appreciated the presentation and explanation of what the project would include.





The majority of those who visited the booth expressed support for the project. Of the input gathered and recorded at the fair, several themes were identified:

- General support and recognition of the need for this przoject.
- Entering and exiting the interstate is difficult and dangerous.
- When will the project be constructed?
- What is the project cost?
- What will the impacts be to nearby businesses?

In addition, individuals expressed their safety concerns when entering and exiting the interstate, specifically, unease with the current weaving patterns. Additional project information and the answers to all these questions can be found on the project's website and FAQ page.





I-25/I-80 INTERCHANGE PROJECT

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New interchange will accommodate future widening of I-25 and I-80 to six lanes

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CONCEPTUAL INTERCHANGE DESIGN

Replacement diamond interchange maintains access to Lincolnway

I-25 shift west to reduce construction duration and limit traffic impacts during construction

> I-80 shift south to improve curve radius, limit traffic impacts, and meet current design standards

Phased implementation to maximize funding utilization and minimize traffic disruption





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What is the I-25/I-80 Interchange Project?

The project would reconfigure and replace the I-25/I-80 and I-25/Lincolnway interchanges. The purpose of the project is to improve safety and traffic flow, accommodate future traffic volumes, and support local development.

Why does WYDOT want to replace the interchanges?

High crash rates, operational deficiencies, and increasing travel demands of passenger vehicles and heavy trucks underscore the need for this project. Originally constructed in the 1950s and 1960s, the I-25/I-80 interchange is outdated when compared to modern interstate design standards.



- "Turbine" style elevated flyover ramps to replace the existing tight loop ramps
- Increased diameter of remaining loop ramps
- Lengthened acceleration, deceleration, and merge lengths
- Auxiliary lanes to further reduce weaving
- Basket-weave ramps between I-25/I-80 and I-25/Lincolnway to separate interstate traffic from local traffic



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What's the schedule of the project?

Preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and preliminary design are currently underway. WYDOT has hired Jacobs Engineering to support these efforts. The EA is anticipated to be made available for public comments in Summer 2020; preliminary design plans are scheduled for late 2020. The Federal Highway Administration will issue a decision for the project which is anticipated to occur in late 2021. Final project design could be completed by 2024 or earlier.

When will construction begin?

Timing for project construction will depend on when WYDOT secures full construction funding. WYDOT is actively seeking federal funding for construction.

How much is the project going to cost?

The estimated cost for this project is between \$207.2 million and \$310.7 million.

How will construction affect traffic?

WYDOT is committed to minimizing traffic impacts during construction. As part of the project, the I-25 alignment will be shifted slightly to the west and the I-80 alignment will be shifted to the south. These shifts will minimize construction duration and allow existing traffic flow to be maintained. Preliminary construction phasing can be viewed on the project website.

How can the public become involved?

Input from the public is encouraged throughout all phases of the project. Comments can be provide through the project website:

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or by contacting the project team at:

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The next public open meeting is scheduled Summer 2020.





Public Involvement Saturday, November 16, 2019 Archer Craft Fair 9am to 3pm

There was a constant stream of people and very little time to type comments. Most people appreciated the explanation of what would be built. Most people expressed that this is a very dangerous interchange and they avoid it as much as possible.

"Cool, this needs to be done"

"It's crazy trying to get off the interstate when someone else is right there trying to get on"

"This really needs to be done!"

"Really nice displays clear, easy to understand"

"The weaving under the bridge bothers me a lot, I'd like to see that go away"

That needed to be done about 25 years ago!

You also need to lower the speed limit further north coming out of Cheyenne past the Torrington/US 85 off ramp.

Outback access needs to be clarified, can we add another approach since we are changing the ramp to a two way road? Better signing is need to access Home Depot, the motel, Outback.

"Oh, this will be so nice!"

This is great, it's neat that you're out here telling us about it.

How much will this cost? When will you build it?

Thank you for being here and sharing this information with us.

I've seen lots of trucks tipped over at this location.

Good to know, thank's for being here. What about the slick roads on the flyovers? What about the wind and the high profile trucks?

What will be the impact to businesses?

Can we write up an explanation of why we can't get the Lincolnway traffic to the I-80 East ramp?

This is very dangerous and it needs to be fixed.

Thank God! This is such a dangerous interchange. I think people getting on the interstate forget they are supposed to yield.

It's awful having to figure out who's going first when you're getting off when someone else is getting on. Too much driver interaction is required to drive this interchange.

The weaving gets pretty ugly.

I don't know how many times I've almost been in a collision.