



I-225 Corridor Projects

Yale Stakeholders Meeting

Sept. 22, 2011

I-225 Corridor: Nine Mile to Iliff



- The proposed project
 - Extends light rail from the current Nine Mile Station to Iliff
 - Constructs a bridge over Northbound I-225
 - Reconstructs the Yale Avenue Bridge
 - Provides a 600 space surface park-n-Ride
 - Includes a light rail station and bus plaza at Iliff
 - Serves 1,400 new transit users daily
 - Provides service every 15 minutes during peak travel times

CDOT I-225 Widening



- Expands I-225 highway to three lanes in each direction from Parker Road to Mississippi Ave.
- Includes Acceleration/Deceleration Lanes between interchanges
- Provides wider inside and outside shoulders
- Includes storm water drainage improvements
- Improves highway lighting
- Constructs Soundwall along west side of highway between Yale Ave and S. Xanadu Way

Short Term Impacts



- Yale Ave. closure for bridge reconstruction
- Temporary traffic detours during construction
- Temporary bus route detours
- Construction impacts
- Night time closures of I-225
- Temporary closure of Mississippi Ave. and Iliff Ave. on and off ramps
- Temporary changes to business access along the corridor

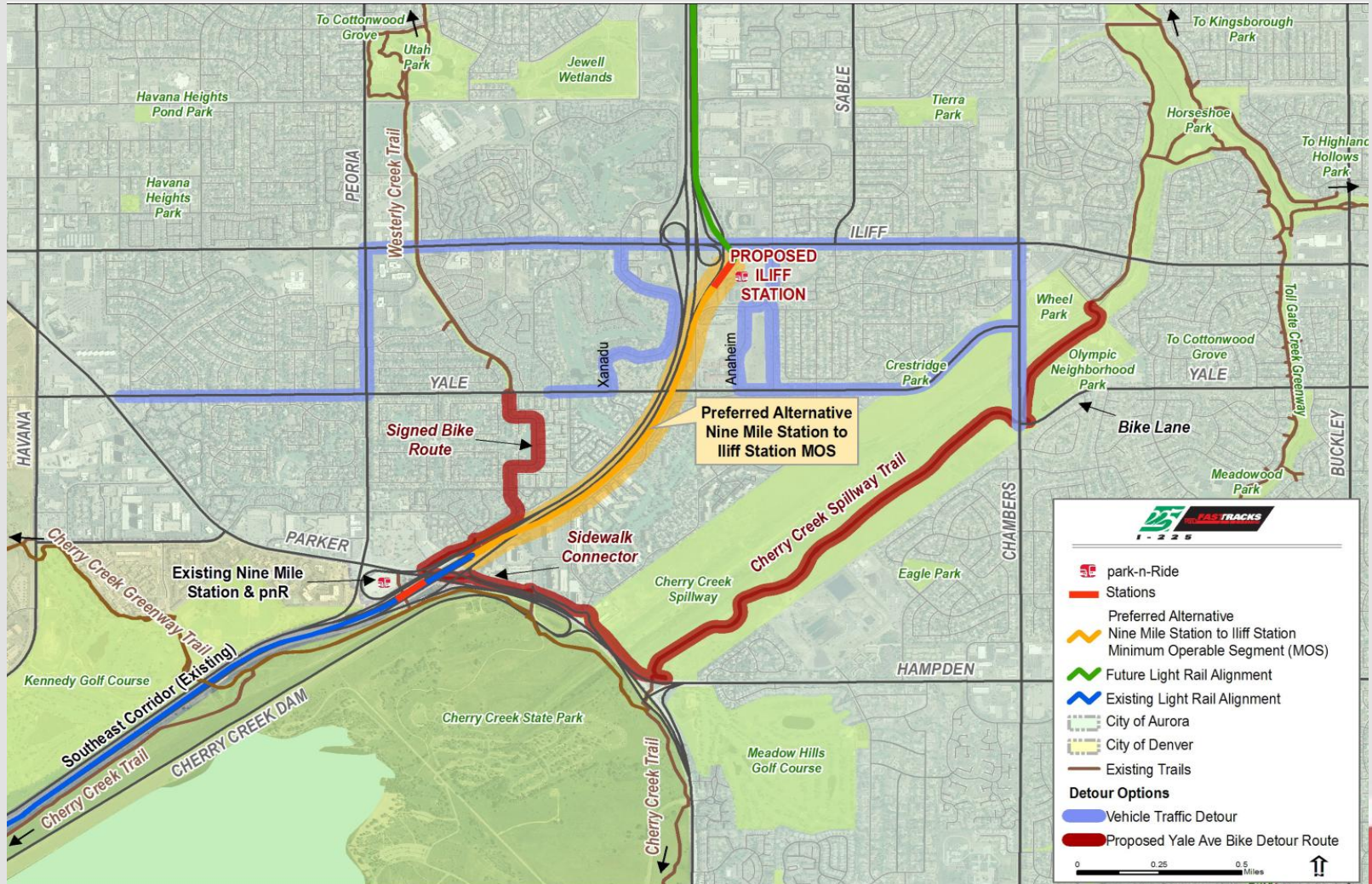
Yale Ave. Closure

- Temporary closure of Yale Bridge and trail connection from existing bike lane to the east and Westerly Creek Greenway Trail to the west
- Traffic disturbances during construction
- Other construction impacts

Mitigation

- Implement a detour plan with routes for both vehicular and pedestrian/bicycle traffic and install detour signs
- Implement commuter education and outreach, have plans in place, keep transit operating where possible and bike/ped facilities continuous
- Use Best Management Practices

Construction Impacts - Detour Plan



Benefits



- The I-225 bottleneck is removed
- The light rail is extended to one additional station and Park-n-Ride
- Combining the CDOT and RTD Projects will:
 - Substantially reduced cost for construction resulting from economy of scale
 - Reduced construction duration
 - Reduced traffic and safety impacts to the public
 - Elimination of additional traffic control for construction
 - Minimizes duplication of work and inconvenience to the public
- Creates new jobs for Aurora and the Denver region
- Provides development opportunities near the Iliff Station



Timeline of I-225

- **Spring/Summer 2011** – Joint construction procurement package is being developed with CDOT to complete the I-225 Highway widening from Parker Road to Mississippi and extend the RTD Light Rail from the Nine Mile Station to Iliff.
- **December 2011** – Civil construction package will be advertised for bids
- **March 2012** – Notice to proceed with construction of the CDOT highway and light rail envelope
- **Summer/Fall 2012** – Yale Bridge Reconstruction
- **Summer 2012** – Begin light rail construction including the Iliff Station Area and Park-n-Ride
- **Spring 2014** – I-225 highway widening completed from Parker Road to Mississippi Ave.
- **Summer 2014** – Light Rail open for revenue service from Nine Mile to Iliff.

		2011	2012	2013	2014
I-225 Rail Line	Segment 1 - Nine Mile to Iliff		Right of Way		
			Construction (CDOT/RTD)		
			Yale Bridge		
			Construction - Track work and Station Elements		
				Test	*Revenue Service



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Questions & Answers



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