

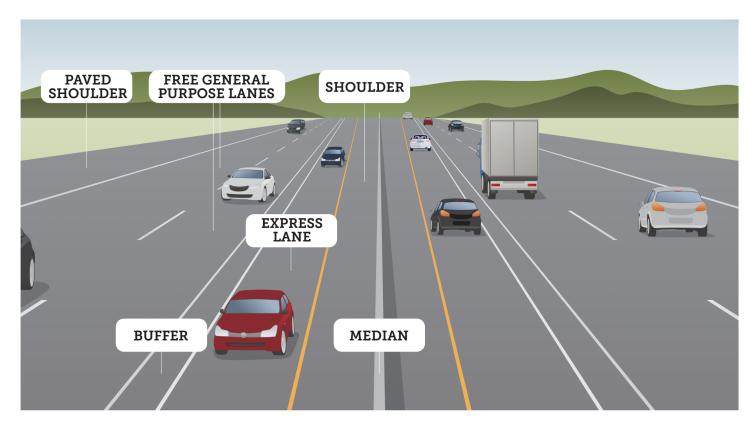
Express Lanes

Why Express Lanes?

Express Lanes can deliver more consistent, reliable speeds and reduced travel times for the entire corridor, including the free general-purpose lanes. Express Lanes increase roadway capacity and help manage congestion on Colorado highways by adding lanes that provide choices to drivers. Motorists can choose to ride the bus, carpool, ride a motorcycle or pay a toll to use the new Express Lanes as an alternative to the free general-purpose lanes.

Toll rates on the Express Lanes are set by and collected by CDOT to manage congestion and provide a reliable travel time. Toll rate prices fluctuate with congestion on the highway, prices rise and fall with demand - it costs more to travel in the Express Lanes when the highway is more congested. More information about Express Lanes, including maps of each existing Express Lane corridor, can be found at expresslanes.codot.gov.

The existing Express Lanes corridors have seen improved travel times, increased in rush hour speeds and a reduction of crashes since opening.



This diagram is an example of Express Lane layout. The Central 70 Project has three free general-purpose lanes, one Express Lane and more space in the center of the highway in each direction.