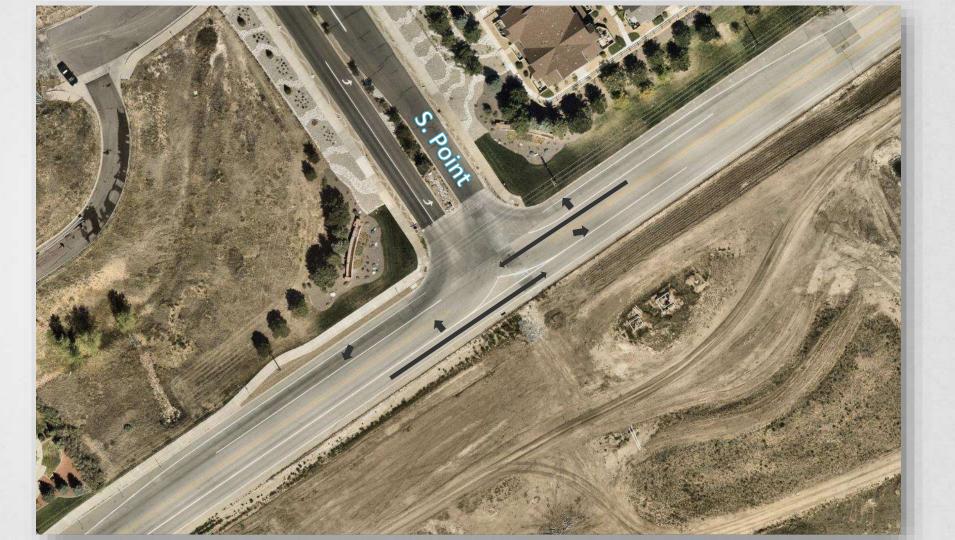
# CROWFOOT VALLEY TRAFFIC CONTROL VISION

APRIL 20, 2021











#### **APPROACH**

Reliability



#### **ROUNDABOUTS & SIGNALS**



**COST** 

SAFETY

PEDS/BIKES

ENVIRON.

VEH. OPS

PUB. ACCPT.

**Higher Initial** 

**Less Fatalities** 

Less Ped. Crashes

Less Noise

**High Capacity** 

**Initial Hesitation** 

Lower O&M

Less Injuries Slower Speeds Slower Speeds

**Lower Emissions** 

Total Day Eff.

Eventual Accept.

Less Conflict Pts.

Less Ped. Crashes

**Aesthetics** 

Lower Initial

**Higher Fatalities** 

**Timing Flexability** 

More Noise

**High Capacity** 

Well Known

Higher O&M

**Higher Injuries** 

More Ped. Crashes

**Higher Speeds** 

More Emissions

Peak Hr. Efficient

Ineff. Non-Peaks

**Higher Speeds** 

More Conflict Pts

# 5-YEAR CIP (CURRENT)

Project	Design ROW		Construction	
Project	Year	Year	\$ Est.	Year
Crowfoot Valley Road Roundabout	2021	'21-'22	\$2.22M	2023
Crowfoot Valley Road Widening - Town Boundary to Knobcone Dr	2023	N/A	\$5.00M	2024

#### **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

Open House January 26, 2021 Pub. Works Comm.

March 1, 2021







Sap. Pt. HOA

February 18, 2021

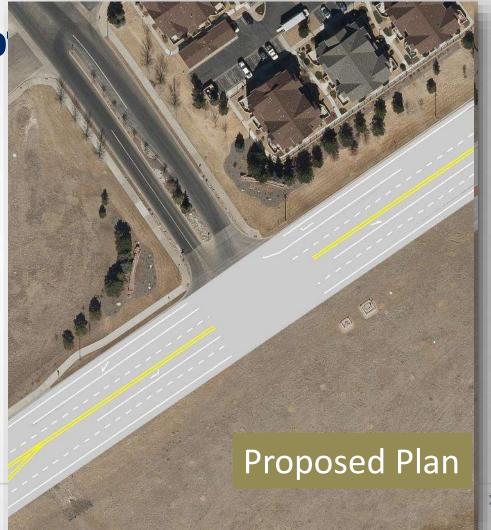
#### SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK

- Concerns about vehicle speeds on Crowfoot Valley Road,
- Feedback that Crowfoot Valley Road needs to be widened sooner than later,
- Keeping right turn lanes now and after the road is widened,
- Safety of the northbound left turn lane at Diamond Ridge Pkwy, and
- Various opinions about what the best traffic control option is for each intersection



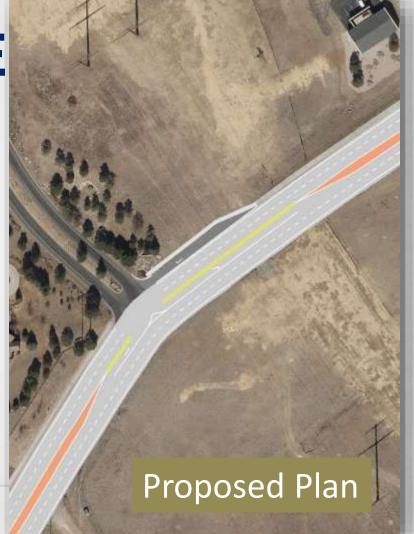
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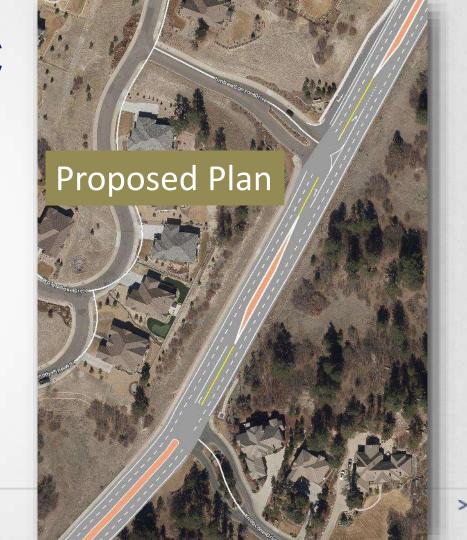
**DIAMOND RIDGE** 





TIMBER & KC





## SUMMARY

	Original Plan			
Location	Option	<b>Construction Cost</b>	Notes	
Sapphire Pointe	Roundabout	\$2.22M	Construction of two lane roundabout	
Diamond Ridge	Stop control	Included w/ widening	Left turn accel / decel lanes	
Timber Canyon	Stop control	Included w/ widening	Left turn accel / decel lanes	
Knobcone	Stop control	Included w/ widening	No auxiliary turn lanes	
Corridor	Four lane roadway	\$5M	Includes bike lanes, sidewalks, and center median / left turn accel / decel lanes	
Total Cost	All options above	\$7.22M	Includes items listed above	

### SUMMARY

	Revised Plan				
Location	Option	Construction Cost	Notes		
Sapphire Pointe	Signal (when warranted)	\$800k (for new signal & right turn lane)	Construction of mast arm traffic signal. Include right turn accel / decel lanes.		
Diamond Ridge	Signal (when warranted)	\$800k (for new signal & right turn lane)	Left turn accel / decel lanes. Construction of mast arm traffic signal. Include right turn decel lane.		
Timber Canyon	Signal (when warranted)	\$800k (for new signal & right turn lane)	Left turn accel / decel lanes. Construction of mast arm traffic signal. Include right turn decel lane.		
Knobcone	Signal (when warranted)	\$500k (for new signal)	Construction of mast arm traffic signal.		
Corridor	Four lane roadway	\$5M	Includes bike lanes, sidewalks, and center median / left accel / decel turn lanes		
Total Cost	All options above	\$7.9M	Includes items listed above		

### **ADDRESSING THEMES**

		Public Theme Addressed			
Location	Recommendation	Speeds	Widened Sooner		Improve Left Turn Lane at D. Ridge
Corridor	Widen			•	•
Sapphire Pt.	Signal*		**		
Diamond R.	Signal*		**		
Timber C.	Signal*		**		
Knob Cone	Signal*		**		

<sup>\*</sup>Signals to be constructed if/when warranted. Current forecasts for need is beyond 2026

<sup>\*\*</sup>Eliminating roundabout at Sapphire Point may allow for the widening to be advanced earlier than current 2024 programmed year

#### SPEED LIMIT SOURCES

- Sources for information on speed limits
  - Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
  - Methods & Practices for Setting Speed Limits (FHWA)
  - Speed Limit Basics (FHWA)
  - Setting Realistic Colorado Speed Limits (CDOT)



#### SPEED LIMIT PURPOSE

- To provide a realistic limit based on physical environment that is voluntarily obeyed by the vast majority
- To select a speed limit that provides for more uniform flow of traffic
- To define the speed at which most drivers can safely react to other vehicles, pedestrians, or obstructions in the roadway

#### SPEED LIMIT MYTHS

- People always obey the limit
- Lowering the limit always increases safety

#### **COLORADO LAW**

- Statutory (Model Traffic Code)
- Design based approach
- Actual operating conditions (engineering study)
  - Speed study was completed in 2017 for Crowfoot Valley Road
  - Current regulatory and advisory speeds match study recommendation



#### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- All local traffic control devices shall conform to the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD), as supplemented by the State Transportation Commission. § 42-4-105, C.R.S.
- Speed zones, other than statutory speed limits, shall only be established on the basis of an engineering study that has been performed in accordance with traffic engineering practices. MUTCD § 2B.13.

#### SUMMARY

Future signal at Sapphire Point (when warranted)

 Add 3 of 4 right turn lanes to widening project (noise mitigation?)

 Continue to work with County on partnership to advance widening (future IGA)



## **QUESTIONS?**

Recommended Motion: "I move to adopt the recommended vision for Crowfoot Valley Rd. improvements and direct staff to continue discussions with Douglas County for possible Intergovernmental Agreement on shared funding."

