



Mapping Colorado's Future Transportation System

Urban Colorado: Denver Metro & Front Range Cities

Move Colorado envisions a transportation system that is safe, efficient, and resilient—one that drives economic growth, protects quality of life, and ensures mobility for every community across the state.

We take a statewide perspective, recognizing the unique needs of urban, suburban, rural, and resort areas. Our priorities are grounded in reality: transportation must support both today's demands and tomorrow's opportunities. That means funding all modes, investing in smart solutions, and tailoring strategies to reflect Colorado's geographic, economic, and environmental diversity.

We lead with pragmatism, collaboration, and bold vision—working to ensure that Colorado's transportation network is built for the challenges and opportunities ahead.



Key Challenges

- **Congestion:** Colorado's urban areas [rank 36th nationally for congestion](#), with drivers losing an average of 22.8 hours annually in traffic delays.*
- **Pavement Conditions:** [Urban interstate pavement ranks 45th in the nation](#), reflecting significant deterioration and wear.*
- **Safety:** Urban areas also rank [36th for traffic fatalities](#), underscoring the need for safety-focused infrastructure improvements.*

*Source: [Reason Foundation, 28th Annual Highway Report, March 2025](#)

Funding Realities

- **Limited Flexibility:** Since 2017, a growing share of transportation fees, passed by the Colorado General Assembly and signed by the Governor, [have been directed toward environmental mitigation and mass transit—often at the expense of road maintenance and expansion](#). ([Common Sense Institute Colorado](#))
- **Inconsistent Funding:** Colorado General Fund transfers to transportation are unpredictable and frequently not targeted toward roadway improvements.
- **Deferred Maintenance Costs:** Years of underinvestment have led to costly, large-scale projects that consume most of the available transportation budget.

Move Colorado Strategic Priorities



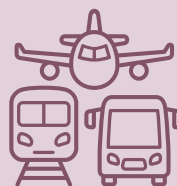
Infrastructure Investment:

Prioritize sustained funding for maintenance and congestion relief on critical urban corridors.



Operational Efficiency:

Invest in technology and traffic operations strategies that improve flow and reduce delays across all modes.



Multimodal Integration for Urban Colorado:

Expand and connect transit options to provide alternatives to single-occupancy vehicles.



Safety Enhancements:

Use data-driven approaches to improve roadway design and reduce fatalities and serious injuries.