



Pueblo Area Council of Governments

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
Transportation Planning Region (TPR)



**Meeting Agenda of the  
Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC)**

**February 10, 2026**

**1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

CDOT HQ - [5615 Wills Blvd., Pueblo, CO 81008](https://5615willsblvd.pvt.vc)

Zoom - <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1619597770?pwd=6wfeSmhz9V61OcaEzEZ0wGwc2GVz0d.1>

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1. Call Meeting to Order
  2. Roll Call
  3. Public Comments (non-agenda items only)
  4. Approval of the January 13, 2025 Minutes\*  
**Action Required: Approve/Disapprove**
  5. Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) request(s) the following projects into the Fiscal Year 2025 –2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP)  
**Action Required: Recommendation to PACOG Board for Approval/Disapproval**
    - a. TIP Policy Amendment 2024.071  
Project Name: Envida Transit Operating  
STIP Number:  
Project Location and Description: Expansion of Envida's transit operations into the Pueblo Area  
Fund Source(s): FTA 5310
- | Fund Source | 2026     | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | Total    |
|-------------|----------|------|------|------|----------|
| FTA 5307    | \$25,016 | 0    | 0    | 0    | \$25,016 |
| Local       | \$25,016 | 0    | 0    |      | \$25,016 |
| Total       | \$50,032 | 0    | 0    | 0    | \$50,032 |

b. TIP Policy Amendment 2024.069

Project Name: CTE Service Expansion

STIP Number:

Project Location and Description: Extending mainline service route hours Mon-Fri from 6:30-8:30PM. Addition of 4 hours of service to the North & South routes Mon-Fri and 2 hours for the Highland Park II Trailer Route.

Fund Source(s): CTE State

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
CTE State	\$1,099,282	0	0	0	\$1,099,282
Total	\$1,099,282	0	0	0	\$1,099,282

**6. Advanced Construction Funding, Toll Credits, & the State Infrastructure Bank\***

**Action Required: Presentation**

**7. Pueblo County's Top Crash Locations\* – Hannah Haunert**

**Action Required: Presentation**

**8. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) & Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) updates – Aaron Bustow or Emma Belmont**

**Action Requested: Informational**

**9. Colorado Department of Transportation Region 2 (CDOT R2) and Headquarter Updates – Geoff Guthrie and Kathleen Collins**

Hwy 50 B & C Corridor Study

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**10. Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) Updates**

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- e. Pueblo West – Shawn Winters or Sherry Reed
- f. Senior Resource Development Agency (SRDA) – George Chintala
- g. Others
  - o CSU-P – Dr. Saqib Gulzar

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- a. ADA Commission – Laura Leyba
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- c. Pueblo Active Community Environments (PACE) – Chuck Aksamit
- d. Planning and Zoning (P&Z)
  - o Pueblo County – Richard Arko
  - o City of Pueblo – Cheryl Spinuzzi
- e. Pueblo Plex – John Chrisman or John Butram

**Action Requested: Informational**

**12. MPO updates**

**Action Requested: Informational**

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**Action Required: Informational**

- a. TIP Administrative Amendment 2024.070

Project Name: Pueblo Transit Facility

STIP Number:

Project Location and Description: 10 Year Plan 2724; Acquisition of Property and Design of Administrative and Maintenance Facility for Pueblo Transit

Fund Source(s): SB-267

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
SB-267	\$2,180,000	0	0	0	\$2,180,000
Total	\$2,180,000	0	0	0	\$2,180,000

Notes: Readdition of past project to TIP

- b. TIP Administrative Amendment 2024.041.02

Project Name: Transit Solar Lights

STIP Number: SST7077.080

Project Location and Description: Installation of Solar Lights at 40+ Bus Stops around City

Fund Source(s): MMOF

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
MMOF	0	0	-	0	-
Total	0	0	-	0	-

Notes: Close-Out and Project Returns

- c. Date: 2/02/2026

TIP Amend 2024.036.02 Administrative Amendment

Project Name: SH45 & Mirror Ave Safety Improvements

STIP Number: SR26644.108

Project Location and Description: Safety Improvements on Mirror Avenue and Pueblo Blvd.

Fund Source(s): FY26 Hazard Elimination Program (HAZ)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	(\$151)	0	0	0	(\$151)
Total	(\$151)	0	0	0	(\$151)

Notes: De-programs \$151 HAZ funding Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 for project closure.

- d. TIP Amend 2024.008.02 Administrative Amendment

Project Name: US 50A MP 296-310

STIP Number: SR25216.170

Project Location and Description: Surface treatment overlay on US50 from Pueblo West area to Fremont County.

Fund Source(s): FY26 Region 2 Surface Treatment Program (SUR)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	\$197,932	(\$1,076,270)	0	0	(\$878,338)
State	(\$740,584)	(\$223,730)			(\$964,314)
Total	(\$542,652)	(\$1,300,000)	0	0	(\$1,842,652)

Notes: Reconciliation - Programs SUR FY26 \$197,392 and De-Programs (\$740,584) SUR FY 26. Also De-programs (\$1,300,000) SUR 27 to award this project.

14. Next TAC meeting – March 10, 2026 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Location: CDOT HQ - [5615 Wills Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81008\\*](#)

Deadline for presentations are March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5 p.m.

**Action Requested: Informational**

15. Items from TAC Members or scheduling of future Agenda Items

**Roundtable Discussion**

*MMOF - Joe Martinez Trail*

*MyRide App*

*Transit Solar Lights*

*ADA Toolkit*

*TAC Chair*

*Bustang Extension*

*SB 25-30 Presentation*

16. Adjourn at or before 3:30 pm



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**1. Call Meeting to Order** – Vice-Chairwoman Helen Dupree called the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

**MPO Present**

Eva Cosyleon  
Hannah Haunert  
Dylan Goodman

**TTC Members Present**

Amanda Hobson  
Greg George  
Ben Valdez  
Helen Dupree

**CDOT Members Present**

Lindsey Jaquez  
Kathleen Collins  
Geoff Guthrie  
Scott Skinner  
Jennifer Sparks  
Matt Jagow  
Rob Frei  
Lachelle Davis  
Shane Ferguson  
Mike Vigil (Local Agency

**CAC Members Present**

Laura Leyba  
Tura Cowan  
Richard Arko  
John Wark  
John Butram  
Coordinator  
Chuck Aksamit

Andrew Hayes  
Shawn Winters  
Greg Pedroza  
Jim Eccher

Traffic )

Matt Pujol  
Cheryl Spinuzzi  
John Chrisman  
Don Bruestle

**FTA/FHWA Members Present**

Emma Belmont  
Aaron Bustow

Jason Nelson  
Jeff VanMatre (Maintenance)

**Others Present:** Luann Martinez Chuck Lopez Sherry Reed Wendy Pettit

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Sarah Skinner Derrick Webb (Senior Planner and Project Manager on the Long-Range Transportation Plan - Bohannan Huston Consultant) Macario Torrez Joe Peoria  
Saqib Gulzar Dale Johnson (School District 60) Dustin Perkey Mike Morrell (RockSol)

### 3. Public Comments (non-agenda items only)

### 4. Approval of the December 9, 2025 Minutes\*

Motion to Approve: Richard Arko  
Second: Ben Valdez

### 5. 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)\* – Derrick Webb

Derrick Webb is the Senior Planner and Project Manager from Bohannan & Huston Consultant. He did a presentation on a quick project overview and what each chapter is about. Greenhouse Gas is an addition to the LRTP. Deadline for comments/feedback is March 1<sup>st</sup>.

<https://www.pacogmovestherregion.com/>

### 6. Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) request(s) the following projects into the Fiscal Year 2025 –2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP)

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle  
Second: Greg George/Richard Arko

#### a. TIP Amend 2024.068

Project Name: I-25 & CO45A Safety Improvements

STIP Number: SR26867.147

Project Location and Description: Safety Improvements at I-25 and CO45A Interchange

Fund Source(s): FY26 Region 2 Regional Priority Program (RPP)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	\$1,531,615	0	0	0	\$1,531,615
State	\$318,385	0	0		\$318,385
Total	\$1,850,000	0	0	0	\$1,850,000

Notes: Programs \$1,850,000 RPP funding Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 for this project.

#### b. TIP Amend 2024.067.01

Project Name: Pueblo Transit Fixed-Route Vehicle Replacements

STIP Number: N/A

Project Location and Description: The City of Pueblo (Pueblo Transit) will receive funding to buy hybrid buses to replace aging diesel buses.

Project Action: The City of Pueblo (Pueblo transit) will be accepting this grant award of \$15,687,944 dollars to replace the fleet of aging diesel buses with low or no emission hybrid buses including 4 extra buses. Pueblo Transit plans to use strategic funds (SB-267) from Plan ID 2566 in the 10-year plan as local match to this award.

Fund Source(s): SB-267 Strategic Funds

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
5339c	\$15,687,944	0	0	0	\$15,687,944
SB-267	\$3,900,000	0	0		\$3,900,000
Total	\$19,587,944	0	0	0	\$19,587,944

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle

Second: Chuck Aksamit

## 7. Complete Streets Peer Exchange Workshop Recap – Eva Cosyleon

Eva Cosyleon said that we had a great turn out, there were quite a few different departments that attended. There were a few good presentations from our peers and a walk audit. Everyone had very good feedback/input.

## 8. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) & Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) updates – Aaron Bustow or Emma Belmont

**Action Requested: Informational**

## 9. Colorado Department of Transportation Region 2 (CDOT R2) and Headquarter Updates – Geoff Guthrie and Kathleen Collins

Geoff Guthrie talked about the 2025 Construction highlights that includes the I-25 and Hwy 50B Interchange. He also talked about the look ahead, I-25 & Hwy 50B Interchange in both directions will have a new shift in lanes. Completion schedule for early summer next year. The TC (Transportation Commission) did approve the Construction Management General Contractor for the US 50 SHIFT Project. This is the passing lanes from Pueblo County to the Kansas border. Division of Transit and Rail is getting the Pueblo Transit Vehicle Replacement Funds programmed. The new Division of Transit and Rail post-award Grant Coordinator is Leslie Ralston. Geoff also mentioned that the Highway Safety Improvement Plan (HSIP) applications are due February 20<sup>th</sup>.

The survey will be available for another 2 weeks. There is a stakeholder specific meeting on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

### [Hwy 50 B & C Corridor Study](#)

Kathleen Collins said that the new STAC meeting will be held on February 5<sup>th</sup> and will be in person at HQ Denver. There is a 10-Year Plan workshop on CDOT regions 1,2, and 4 projects. There is also a greenhouse gas (GHG) report that CDOT will be responsible for and the MPO's are responsible for their own.

## 10. Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) Updates

- a. Aviation – Pueblo Airport – Greg Pedroza said that City Council agreed to set aside \$6m to add ADA considerations and a new front facelift.
- b. City of Pueblo
  - o Public Works – Andrew Hayes
  - o Transportation Dept. – Helen Dupree said that the Lake and Orman will go out for bid in the next month or so. Mel Harmon Bridge is still under construction. Dillon and Eagleridge Roundabout still going through the acquisitions process with CDOT. Haaff/Monument project is going to go to Ad in February. City has hired a Deputy Director – her name is Molly Evans.
  - o Pueblo Transit – Ben Valdez said that the Art on the bus stops has been approved. There will be a TIP for the 2025 Operational Grant followed by a 5307 Grant. This is to buy two paratransit vehicles and a coin sorter machine. Macario Torrez said that they got a large group (31 person and 28 online) for their West Side Improvements Meeting. They are still working on the MyRide App.
- c. Colorado City/Rye – James Eccher
- d. Pueblo County
  - o Public Works – Greg George said that Medal of Honor had a lot of issues on the project, final walkthrough with CDOT this week. The median still has a lot of work. RAISE grant meeting will be tomorrow, this will finalize the funds and get an IGA with CDOT. The

road reclaimer equipment saved them a lot of money when they did two bridge replacements. They also bought a paving machine.

- Parks and Recreation – Greg George said that they received a \$180,000 GOCO Grant, this is a planning grant to be used to Plan for the Parks and Rec Department for years going forward.
- e. Pueblo West – Shawn Winters said that the Joe Martinez Trail is close to closeout with execution modification number 2. Civic Center Trail Phase 1 will have a pre-construction meeting tomorrow. Purcell Trail Phase 1 and 2 are in construction, about 16% complete.
- f. Senior Resource Development Agency (SRDA) – George Chintala
- g. Others
  - CSU-P – Dr. Saqib Gulzar

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- e. Pueblo Plex – PuebloPlex is having a meeting tonight at Barkman Library

**Action Requested: Informational**

**12. MPO updates**

Expenditures deadlines for MMOF and TMS Projects with ARPA-SLFRF Funds\*

Eva Cosyleon said that she finished the PACE Newsletter, it has been posted on the website. She is going to Transportation Commission in February for our Greenhouse Gas Report. MPO office will be moving to the City Annex Building (CAB, old PBR building) on February 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Resolution has passed for our Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan and Bohannan Huston got awarded.

**The contractor/subcontractor work activities funded with MMOF/ARPA must be completed on or before December 11, 2026.**

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**Action Required: Informational**

- a. TIP Amend 2024.035.01

Project Name: CO45 Safety Improvements ~MP 0-6

STIP Number: SR27002.086

Project Location and Description: Micro surfacing on CO45 from approximately Mile Posts 0-6.

Fund Source(s): FY26 Surface Treatment Program (SUR)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	\$124,185	0	0	0	\$124,185
State	\$25,815	0	0	0	\$25,815
Total	\$150,000	0	0	0	\$150,000

Notes: Programs \$150,000 SUR funding Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 for this existing project.

- b. TIP Amend 2024.057.02

Project Name: US50 SHIFT Passing Lanes

STIP Number: SR27023.011

Project Location and Description: Design and construct twelve individual passing lanes along the US-50 High Plains Freight Corridor between Pueblo and the Kansas state line.

Fund Source(s): FY26 Region 2 Regional Priority Program (RPP)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	\$44,628	0	0	0	\$44,628
State	\$9,277	0	0		\$9,277
Total	\$53,905	0	0	0	\$53,905

Notes: Reconciliation - Programs \$53,905 RPP26 to this project. This is a fund swap from Unobligated RDP FY18 funds to RPP FY26 for this project.

c. TIP Amend 2024.037.01

Project Name: Region 2 VRU Safety Study

STIP Number: SR26644.110

Project Location and Description: Tool used to identify Vulnerable Road User (VRU) presence within El Paso and Pueblo counties.

Fund Source(s): FY26 Region 2 Hazard Elimination Program (HAZ)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	0	\$55,080	0	0	\$55,080
State	0	\$6,120	0	0	\$6,120
Total	0	\$61,200	0	0	\$61,200

Notes: Programs additional \$61,200 HAZ funding Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 for this existing project.

d. TIP Amend 2024.065.01

Project Name: R2 Region Wide Backplate Project

STIP Number: SR26644.125

Project Location and Description: Addition of yellow reflective backplates to various traffic signal heads throughout Region 2 including intersections in PACOG.

Fund Source(s): FY28 Region 2 Hazard Elimination Program (HAZ)

Fund Source	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Federal	0	\$18,497	0	0	\$18,497
State	0	\$2,055	0	0	\$2,055
Total	0	\$20,552	0	0	\$20,552

Notes: Programs additional \$20,552 HAZ funding Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 for existing project.

e. TIP Amend 2024.039.03

Project Name: Pueblo Transit Operating

STIP Number: SST6741.028

Project Location and Description: Transit Operations funds

Fund Source(s): FTA 5307

Fund Source	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
FTA 5307	\$319,584	0	0	0	\$319,584
Local	\$103,547	0	0		\$103,547
Total	\$423,131	0	0	0	\$423,131

Funding Reconciliation for FY 2024

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**16. Adjournment was at 3:19 p.m.**

# Promoting Access & Supporting Independent Living



# Background

- Non-profit organization since 1971
- Provide transportation and homecare services
- Serve older adults, individuals with disabilities, and people with low-income
- Innovate to promote access and support independent living
  - **2015**: Launched homecare program
  - **2018**: Launched public fixed routes in eastern El Paso County
  - **2019**: Led and implemented Mobility on Demand Collaborative
  - **2023**: Launched On-Demand Pilot Program to provide same-day transportation to older adults and individuals with disabilities
  - **2024**: Implemented new transportation software, Ecolane, including facility portal and client mobile app
- Develop and expand community partnerships to better serve the community

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**“envida’s mission is to promote access and support independent living with dignity. Our vision is to lead the nation in integrating services that connect people to community.”**

# Programs

# Transportation



# Transportation

- Older adults, individuals with disabilities, and individuals with low-income
- Medical appointments, employment/volunteer commitments, education, day programs, shopping, and social activities
- Door-through-door transportation
- On-Demand and Demand Response services
  - **On-Demand:** At least 4 hours' notice; Monday-Saturday, 8am-5pm, with exceptions for dialysis treatment and behavioral health rides
  - **Demand Response:** More than 24 hours' notice up to 2 weeks in advance; Monday-Saturday, 8am-5pm, with exceptions for dialysis treatment and behavioral health rides

# Non-Emergent Medical Transportation (NEMT)

- Health First Colorado's (Colorado's Medicaid Program) benefit that provides Health First Colorado Members with transportation to and from covered health care services and appointments to and from any location with a Medicaid ID
  - Hospital Discharges
  - Physical Therapy
  - Medical
  - Vision
  - Dental
- Statewide transportation service
- For example, we can transport a Pueblo resident to covered medical appointments in Colorado Springs, or Denver



# How It Works

Clients call envida's transportation line to put in a ride request. The Reservationist will ask for the following:

- First and last name
- Age
- Address
- Email
- Emergency contact info
- Purpose of trip
- Pick-up location
- Drop-off location



# 2025 Satisfaction Survey - Transportation

- [envida] is a vital and very much appreciated service to the elderly with low financial assets.”
- “They are very needed in the community. I couldn’t do my job without them providing the services.”
- “This service is essential to so very many people who rely on **envida** for transportation. Without this type of service, those of us who are not able to drive will be negatively impacted.”



# Driver Compliments



- **Phillip Ramirez:** A client said that he “went above and beyond and provided excellent service that exceeded expectations.”
- **David Bowen:** A facility said that he “arrived on time” and was “very well trained.” In their words, “everything was perfect!”
- **Eric Heisel:** A client said, “I just love riding with Eric. He is so sweet. I am so glad I get to ride with him again.”
- **Rex Tonkins:** A client said, “I just love Rex. He is the best driver, and I appreciate all he does. He’s so great.”



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# Pueblo Expansion

- Non-Emergent Medical Transportation (NEMT)
- Non-Medical Transportation (NMT) in partnership with The Resource Exchange (TRE)
- ADA transportation though FTA 5310 program
- Pueblo AAA program
- Private foundation grants
- Private pay



# Benefits to Pueblo

- State and Federal funds of over \$400K to support the expansion of accessible transportation in Pueblo
  - **CDOT CTE Funding:** 4 ADA accessible vehicles in 2026; 4 ADA accessible vehicles in 2027; operating funds to support expansion
  - **FTA 5310:** General operating funds to support expansion
- Improved access to the community for both medical and non-medical activities
- New job opportunities for Pueblo residents
- Opportunity for other transportation providers to partner with envida to use our advanced transportation software, Ecolane



# In the Near Future

- envida will apply for PAAA funds in the next RFP process
- envida is seeking partnership opportunities with private foundations in Pueblo and soliciting donations to deliver reliable transportation



# Homecare



# Homecare & Private Pay

- Older adults, individuals with disabilities, and individuals with low-income

Services include:

- Personal care and homemaker services
- Companionship care
- Medication reminders
- Ambulatory and mobility assistance
- Social activities and connection
- Grocery shopping
- Transportation and more



# 2025 Satisfaction Survey - Homecare

- “I am recovering from being paralyzed and home care has helped me to relearn walking and ability to do more things. I was bedridden and now I can walk with help. It's a long journey back but this has helped me to be positive moving forward.”
- “I couldn't keep up with my housework & felt somewhat down about that, so **[envida]** has been much help to me.”



The Envista logo, identical to the one on the banner, consisting of a stylized 'O' and the word 'envista'.

# Thanks!

Any questions?



Department of Transportation

# Advance Construction, Toll Credits and the State Infrastructure Bank



# Colorado State Infrastructure Bank

## Background

The NHS Designation Act, U.S.C § 350 (1995) provided states the opportunity to create Statewide Infrastructure Banks (SIBs). The Colorado SIB is a low interest, revolving infrastructure investment fund. This fund provides for both public and private investment opportunities for a wide array of ***highway construction, airport and transit capital projects.***

According to Colorado Revised Statute 43-1-113.5, SIB funds can be used to "...provide assistance to public and private entities for the acquisition, improvement, or construction of highways, multimodal transportation, and intermodal transportation facilities in the state...", as long as the project is for public use.



# Colorado State Infrastructure Bank

## Financial Resources

Legislation authorized four SIB accounts: Highway, Aviation, Rail and Transit. Only the first two have been funded. Current accounts are 100% state funded.

Current loans outstanding:

\$40 million

Most of these are for airport improvements around the state



Available to Loan:

Highway Account - \$3.9million

Aviation Account - \$0



*More funds will become available as payments come in.*



# Colorado State Infrastructure Bank

## Loan Process

The current fund balance in the Colorado SIB is 100% state funds and all loans will be approved by the CDOT Executive Director and either the Transportation Commission (for highway or transit-related loans) or the Colorado Aeronautical Board (for Aviation Loans). There are no accounts set up for the enterprises, but the Highway account could be used for qualified projects.

Follow links on the CDOT SIB web page to submit an application. The SIB Manager will provide an initial review and draft a loan agreement for consideration and work directly with the entity authorized to enter into a loan agreement to finalize the loan. The entire process from application to approval takes approximately 60 days.



# More SIB Information

## State Infrastructure Banks

<https://www.codot.gov/business/budget/cosib>

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/ipd/finance/tools\\_programs/federal\\_credit\\_assistance/sibs/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/ipd/finance/tools_programs/federal_credit_assistance/sibs/)

<https://bac.umd.edu/sib/>



# Advance Construction Definition

Advance Construction (AC) is a Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) fund management tool that allows a state to begin a transportation project using non-federal funds, even without available federal obligation authority for that project.

The state then maintains eligibility for future federal reimbursement, allowing for project acceleration and better funds management.

CDOT can later request the FHWA to convert the project to a regular Federal-aid project when sufficient funds and obligation authority become available, enabling the state to receive reimbursement for a full or partial amount of the costs incurred.

*Advance Construction IS NOT Advance Payment. CDOT does not currently support “advance payment”, we only support the “reimbursement” model. We would need to hold a separate conversation with CDOT Accounting staff and FHWA if this is needed.*



## FHWA Authorization

Critically important: the state and local agencies must still receive FHWA authorization of the project prior to notice to proceed as with any normal project.

- Must be in the TIP and STIP.
- Must have an IGA between CDOT and Local
- Be eligible for the FHWA funds expected to obligate in future
- Comply with period of performance and other 2 CFR 200 project cost accounting and reimbursement rules



# Benefits

- **Accelerated Project Delivery:** start construction sooner, preventing delays and accelerating the completion of needed infrastructure projects.
- **Fund Management Flexibility:** AC helps manage the annual limitations on federal highway funding (obligation authority), allowing states to use funds more efficiently and avoid setting aside full obligational authority for every project upfront.
- **Reduced Inflationary Costs:** Faster project completion helps to avoid cost increases due to inflation.
- **Support for Large Projects:** It facilitates the construction of large, complex projects by allowing them to begin without waiting for full funding.



# Risks

- If planned federal funds do not become available, the state or local must cover the remaining costs with non-federal funds (or other eligible federal funds)
  - a. what if the TAP or Carbon Reduction Programs were cancelled
  - b. if the feds are on “continuing resolution” or we run out of annual funds
- If so many projects are AC'd the “conversion” and “reimbursements” may have to be staggered across multiple fiscal years
- Inactivity - all projects must stay active, even if “advanced”
- Work load - are there sufficient local or CDOT employees to manage additional projects in the pipeline



# Toll Credits

FHWA toll credits are a financial tool allowing states to substitute additional federal funds for the non-federal share, effectively reducing state or local costs and freeing up state or local funds for other projects.

IE increase from 80% to 100% reimbursement

But those costs still have to be covered from somewhere.

Toll credits ARE NOT CASH!





# Toll Credits

Toll credits can be extended to local agencies at CDOT's discretion. The local agency should state their case to CDOT for the toll credits explaining why local revenues are not available.

In response to the approval of toll credits a local would need to either cut scope of the project or secure additional FHWA funding from the MPO's award process.

ie add federal funds through the TIP.

For example: a \$100,000 project at \$80,000 fed / \$20,000 local can become either:

- \$100,000 all fed aid project by increasing the federal allocation in the TIP
- \$80,000 all fed aid project by cutting the scope down to size



# Toll Credits

The local agency should state their case to CDOT for the toll credits explaining why local revenues are not available.

**“Overmatch” is the opposite of toll credits.**

Very often a local agency has additional local funds above and beyond the 20% share required by FHWA in a project.

Before requesting toll credits on a project the local should explore whether they are over committing match to separate project and “even out” the match across the multiple projects.



# Tapered Match

## Tapered Match

An FHWA tapered match is a form of Federal-aid matching flexibility that allows a project's Federal share to be higher in the early stages and decrease over time, while still meeting the overall, non-Federal matching requirement by the project's completion. This "delayed local match" provides flexibility for locals to advance projects that lack upfront funds by allowing the non-Federal share to accumulate over the project's life.

Google "what is fhwa tapered match" for more information.

Tapered match projects must receive prior approval from FHWA.



# Conclusion

Questions?



# 2024 PUEBLO COUNTY'S TOP CRASH LOCATIONS AND FATALITIES

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## 3-YEAR FATALITY SUMMARY

	2024 Fatal Crashes	2023 Fatal Crashes	2022 Fatal Crashes
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>
Broadside	0	1	1
Approach	4	1	2
Rearend	3	1	3
N/A	14	32	28
Ped	5	13	6
Bicycle	0	1	0
Motorcycles	7	4	4
Fatalities	25	40	40
Serious Injury	3	5	17

# 3-YEAR ANNUAL COMPARISON OF VEHICLE CRASHES

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Total Number of Injuries	1351	1032	891
Total Number of Bicycle Crashes	29	24	12
Total Number of Pedestrian Crashes	44	51	44
Total Number of Fatality Crashes	21	35	34
Total Number of Serious Injury Crashes	86	111	88
Total Number of PDO* Crashes	2691	2405	2015
Total Number of Crashes	3619	3472	2940

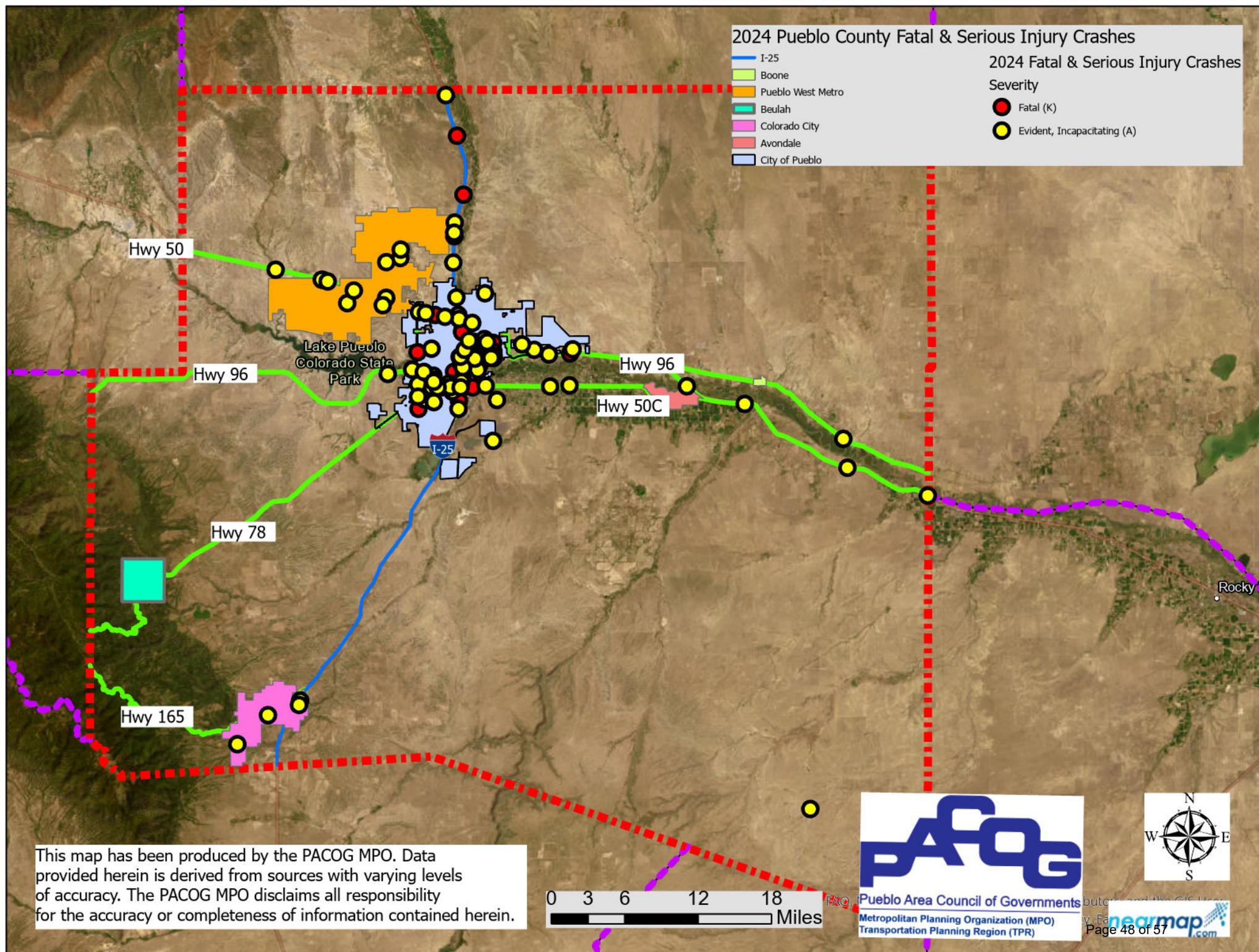
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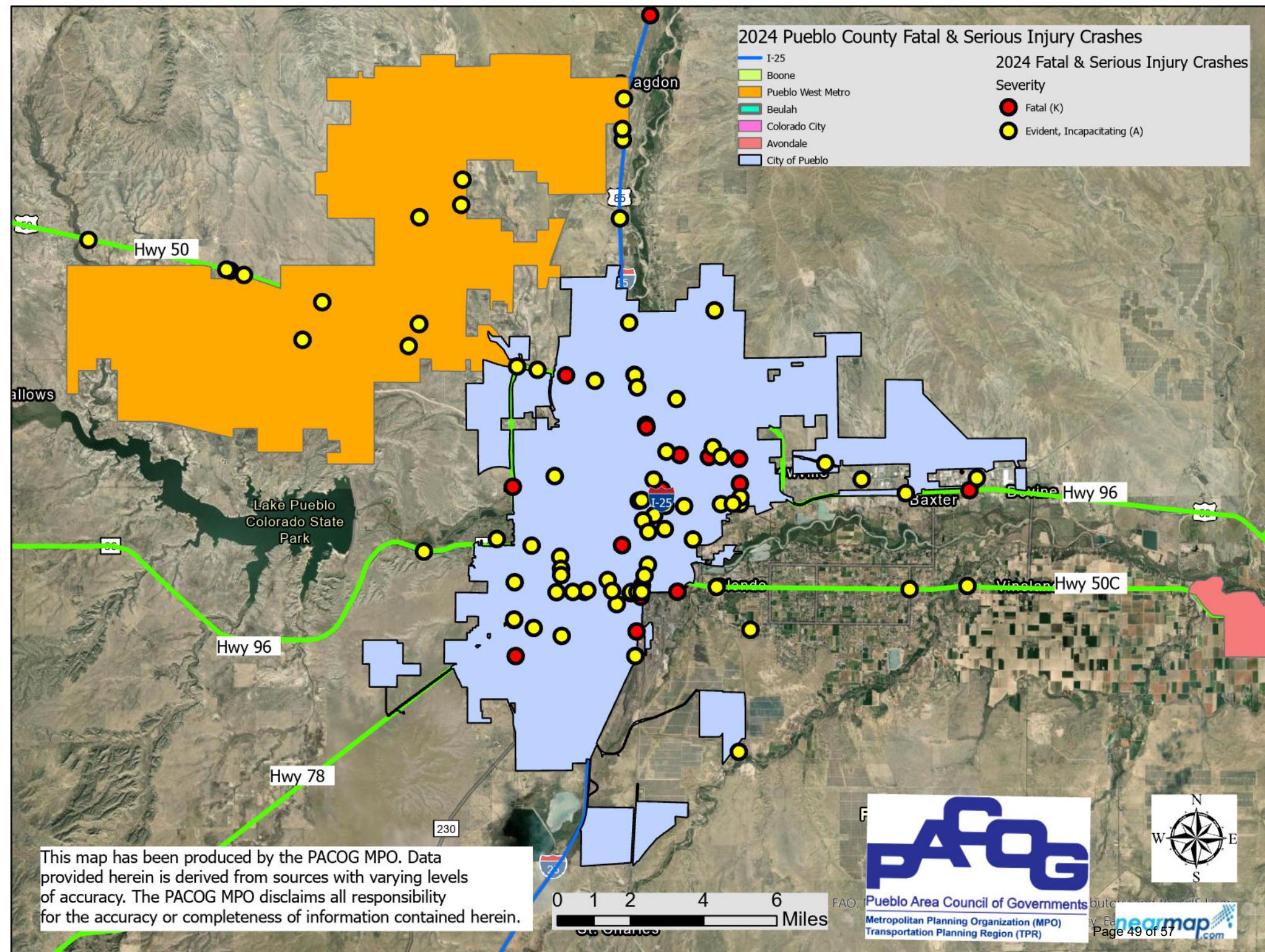
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Pueblo Area of Council of Governments / Transportation Planning Region / Metropolitan Planning Organization

# SERIOUS INJURY SUMMARY

	2024
Total number of crashes	90
Broadside	20
Approach	6
Rearend	7
N/A	47
Ped	7
Bicycle	3
Motorcycles	29
Total number of Serious Injuries	110





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## 2024 VULNERABLE ROAD USER'S (VRU) CRASHES

**Pedestrians**

**44**

**Bicycles**

**29**

**Motorcycles**

**76**

Fatal

Ser Inj

Fatal

Ser Inj

Fatal

Ser Inj

5

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15

# 2024 All VRUs

## VRU



Bicycle

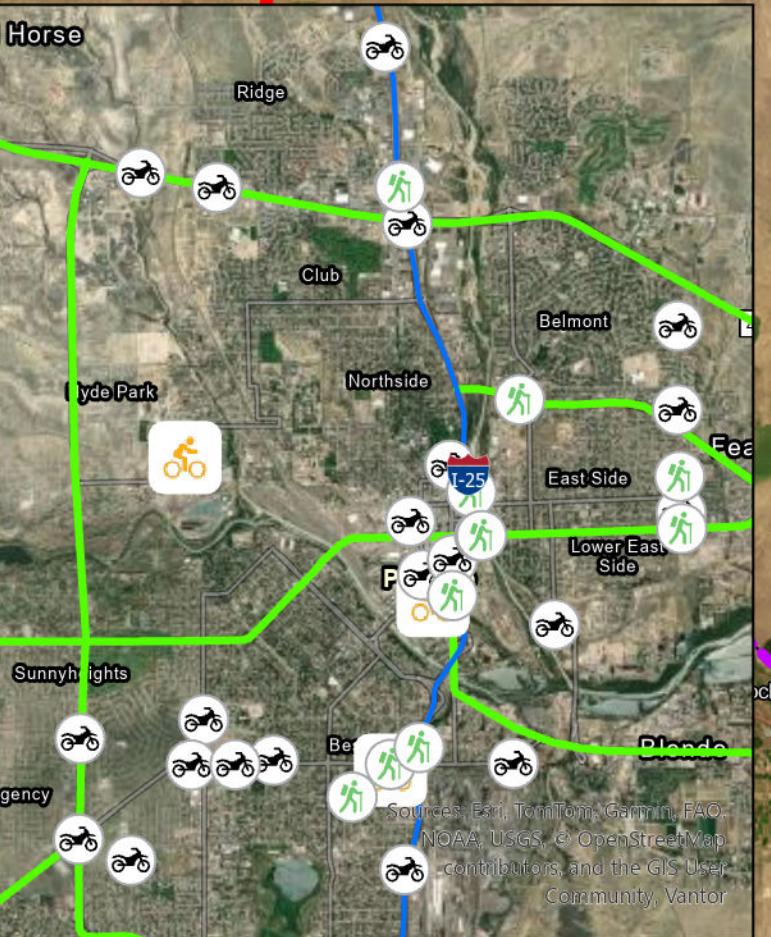


Motorcycle



Pedestrian

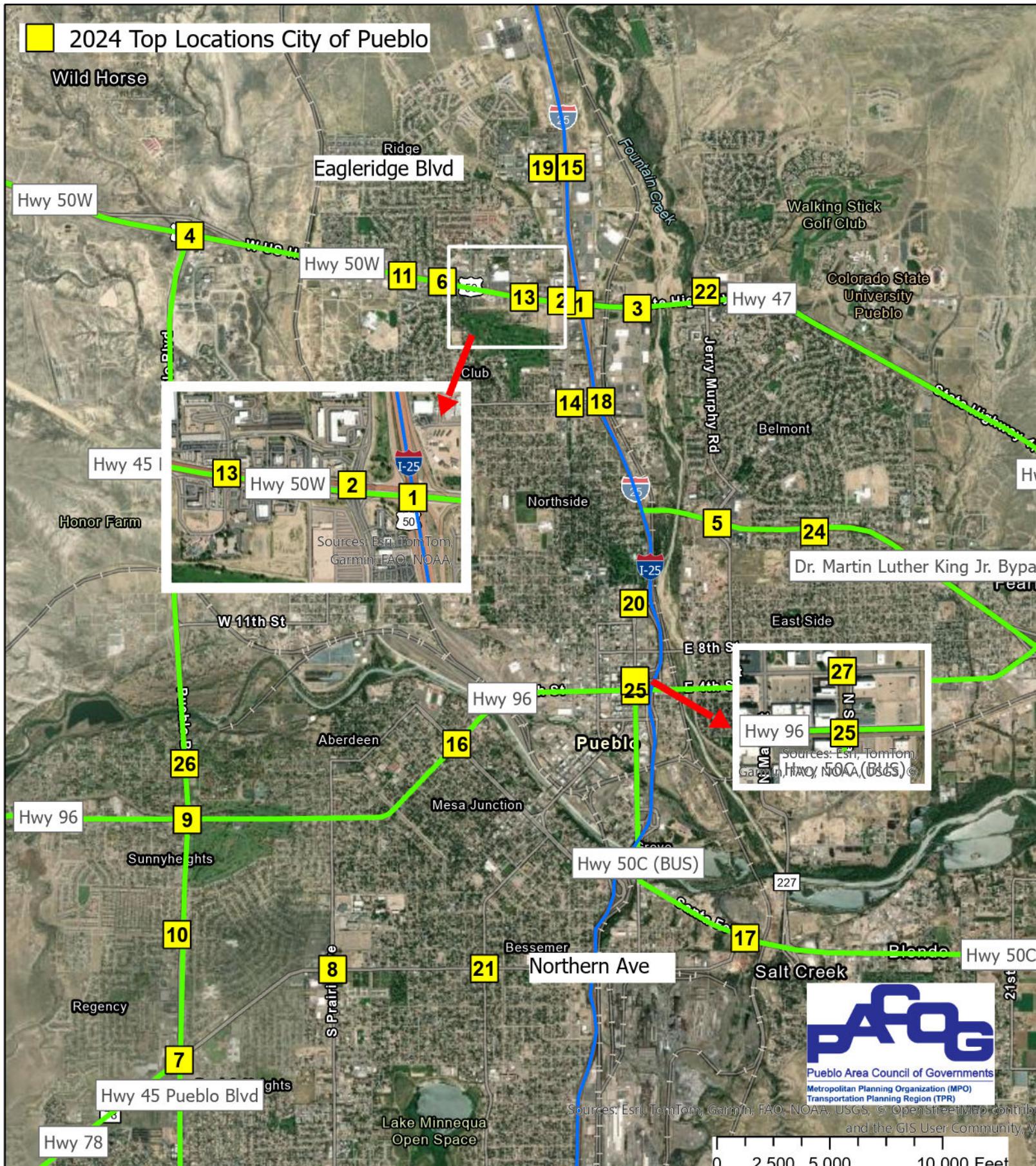
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# City of Pueblo Top Crash Locations

Rank	Location	Total Crashes	Broadside	Approach	Rearend	Other	Pedestrian	Bicycle	Motorcycles	Fatalities	Serious Injury
1	Exit 101 Hwy 50A & Hwy 50A/Hwy 47 (Cesar Chavez Blvd)	50	3	1	26	20			1	1	
2	Hwy 50A & Elizabeth St	42	9	2	23	8	1				
3	Hwy 47 & Dillon Dr	34	4		24	6					
4	Hwy 50 & Hwy 45 Pueblo Blvd	32	7	2	13	10					2
5	Hwy 50B & Bonforte Blvd/Hudson Ave	31	4	6	12	9	1			1	1
6	Hwy 50A & Fortino Blvd/Morris Ave	28	3	2	19	4					1
7	Hwy 45 Pueblo Blvd & Northern Ave/Hwy 78	28	1	6	12	9	1		2	1	1
8	Northern Ave & Prairie Ave	22	1	7	9	5					
9	Hwy 45 Pueblo Blvd & Hwy 96 (Thatcher Ave)	22	2	4	11	5					
10	Hwy 45 Pueblo Blvd & Red Creek Springs Rd/Rutgers Ave	18	2	7	8	1					1

## 2024 Top Locations City of Pueblo



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## # by ranking

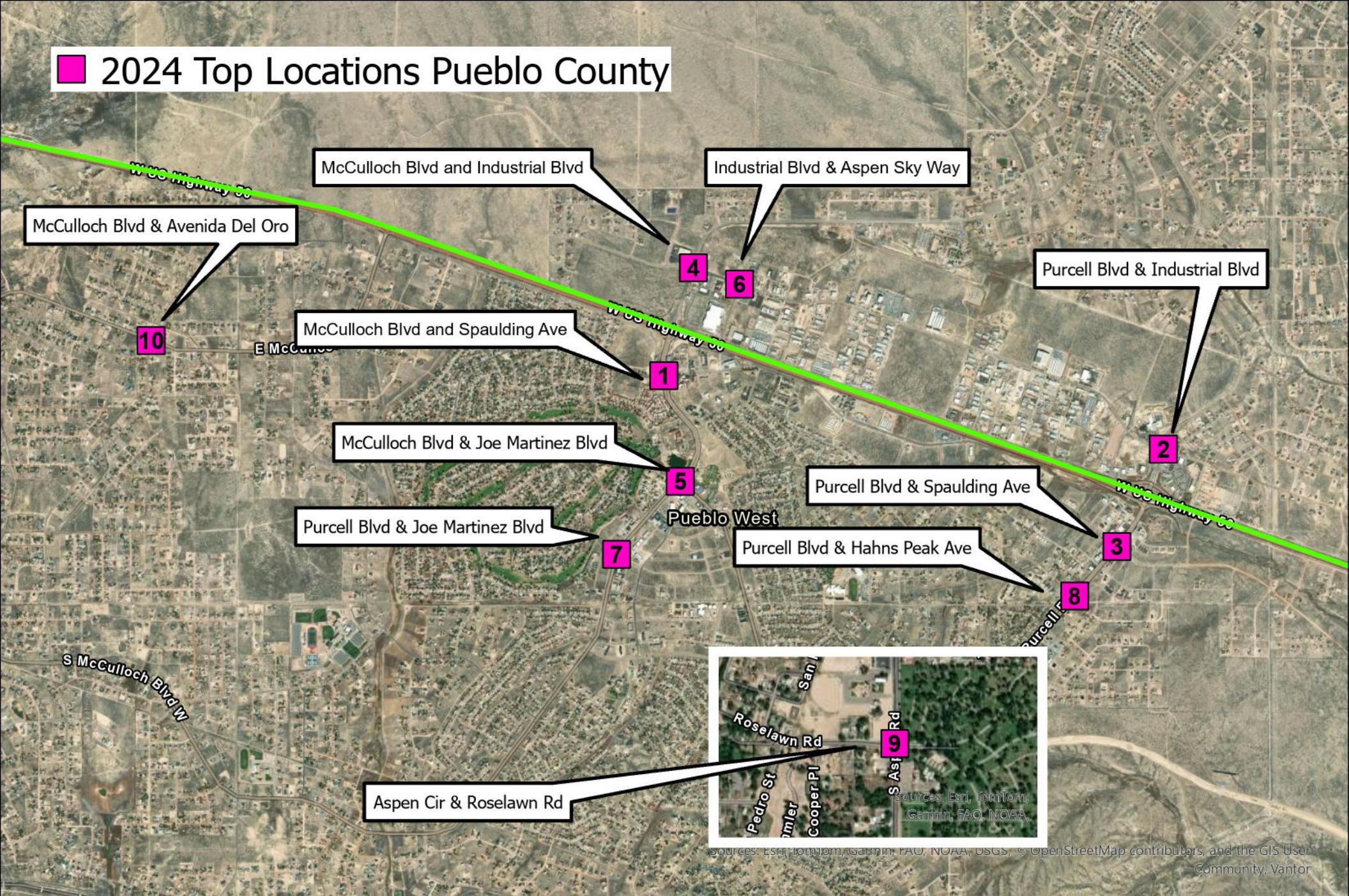
# 2024 Top Locations  
City of Pueblo



# PUEBLO COUNTY TOP CRASH LOCATIONS

Rank	Location	Total Crashes	Broadside	Approach	Rearend	Other	Pedestrian	Bicycle	Motorcycles	Fatalities	Serious Injury
1	McCulloch Blvd & Spaulding Ave	16	2	5		9					
2	Purcell Blvd & Industrial Blvd	13	1	5	3	4			1		2
3	Purcell Blvd & Spaulding Ave	5			4	1					1
4	McCulloch Blvd & Industrial Ave	4		1	1	2					
5	McCulloch Blvd & Joe Martinez Blvd	4		2	2						
6	Industrial Blvd & Aspen Sky Way	4	2		2						
7	McCulloch Blvd & Idaho Springs Dr	4	2		1	1					
8	Purcell Blvd & Hahns Peak Ave	3	3								
9	Aspen Cir & Roselawn Rd	3	1		2						
10	McCulloch & Avenida Del Oro	3	3								

#### 2024 Top Locations Pueblo County



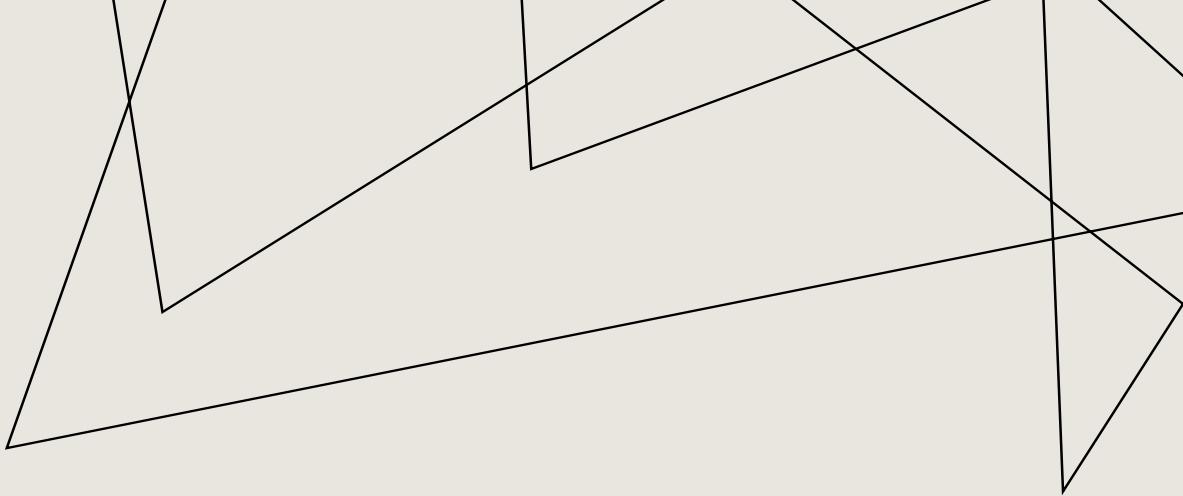
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## # by ranking

## # 2024 Top Locations Pueblo County

nearmap.com



## FINAL TIPS & TAKEAWAYS

- More traffic volume = higher chance for more crashes to happen
- Crash data could help with grants (SS4A, HSIP, etc...)
- Crash data provided by DiExSys, does not include unknowns



# **THANK YOU**

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