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27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Project

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Closure update for 27<sup>th</sup> Street traffic bridge slide**

*Eighth Street detour for motorists and Roaring Fork River closure to remain in effect through Friday, Sept. 20*

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – Due to delays related to deconstruction of the existing 27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, the temporary closures of the 27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, S. Grand Ave. intersection, Atkinson Trail and the Roaring Fork River are anticipated to remain in effect through Friday, September 20. Detoured motorists are advised to plan extra travel time, approximately 20 additional minutes during the peak morning and afternoon times (approximately 7:30-9 a.m. and 3:30-6:30 p.m.).

“Our focus continues to be on safely making progress to open the bridge and river to traffic as soon as possible,” said Jessica Bowser, assistant city engineer.

### **Construction Status**

Schedule is subject to change and is weather dependent. Updates or changes to the schedule will be announced via ConeZone and will be updated on the project information line, 618-5379.

Deconstruction of the existing 27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge is ongoing. Crews have finished the deconstruction of the center and west sides of the existing bridge. Deconstruction of the east side of the bridge and the removal of the tops of the existing columns is anticipated to occur today, Sept. 16.

After deconstruction is complete, Ralph L. Wadsworth Construction will setup for the bridge slide process in which the new traffic bridge staged just south of the existing bridge will be moved laterally into place. The bridge slide cannot begin until the deconstruction of the existing bridge is complete. After the new traffic bridge is moved into place, additional construction will be required to complete the final roadway connections in order to safely open the bridge to traffic.

### **27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Detours and Travel Impacts**

Motorists should continue to use the 8th Street detour. *See detour map below.* There is no through access at S. Grand Ave. and 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Significant traffic delays are anticipated, so plan ahead. Pedestrians and bicyclists

should continue to use Old Cardiff Bridge or the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge as alternate routes for 27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge and Atkinson Trail. Local business and residential access will remain open with detours.

### **Roaring Fork River Access**

Until it is safe for passage under the 27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge construction area, there is no through river access at 27<sup>th</sup> Street. All river users must eddy-out at or before 3-Mile Creek or put-in downstream of the 27<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge. Through access on the Roaring Fork River is anticipated reopen concurrently with the bridge. Call before you float to hear the latest river status, 618-5379.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Street Roundabout Work Underway**

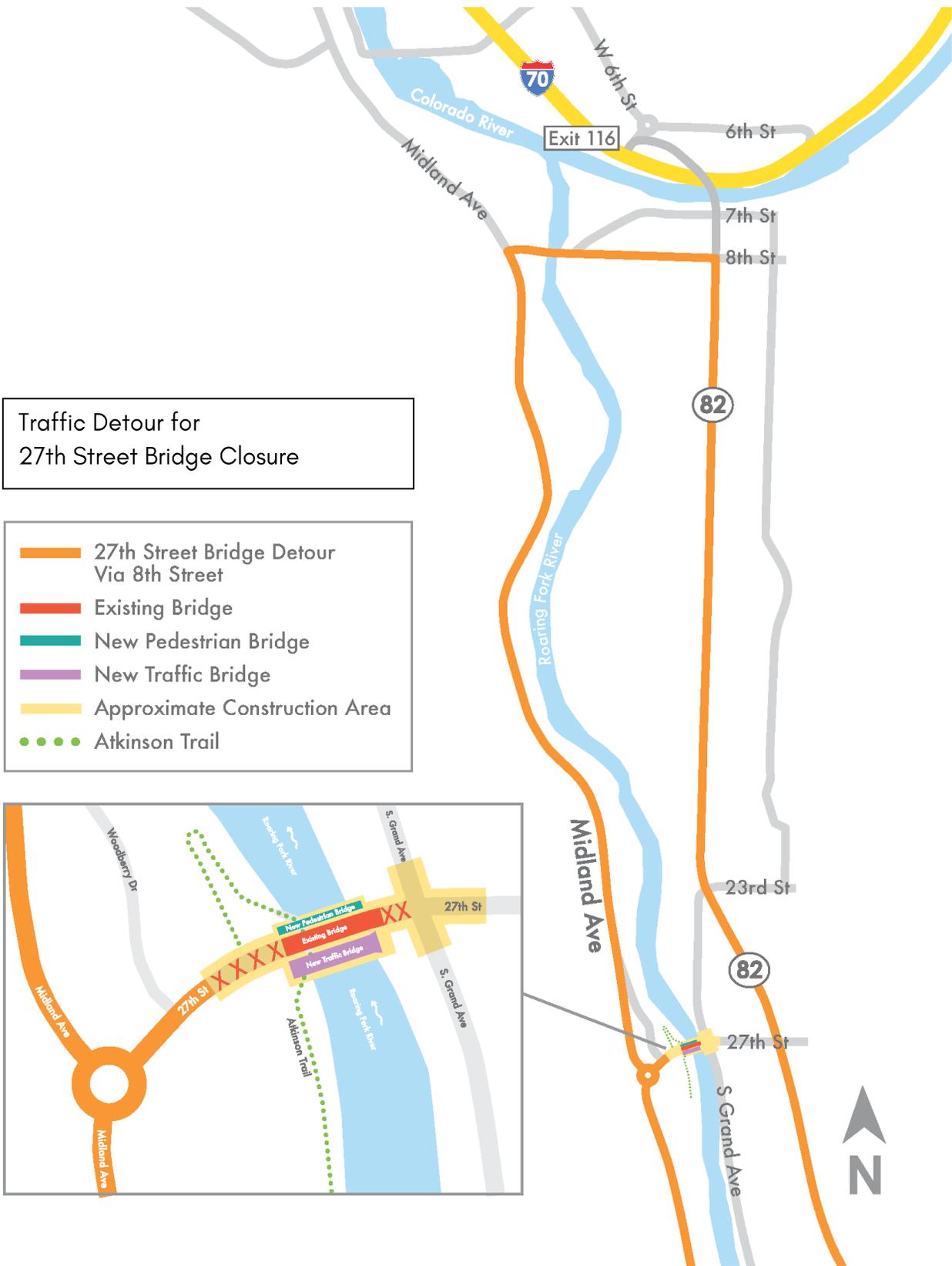
Landscape installation work at the 6<sup>th</sup> Street roundabout will have to comply with Colorado Department of Transportation restrictions related to construction in the peak travel times. Crews will begin work daily after 9 a.m. and will be off the road at 3 p.m.

Periodic lane closures and brief traffic holds may occur in the vicinity of 6th and Colo. Highway 82. Please use caution and follow all construction and safety signs. Although crews will attempt to avoid work during peak hours, motorists should anticipate delays and allow extra travel time on approach to the 6th and Colo. 82 interchange and the I-70 116 exit.

### **Project Information**

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