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STATE FISCAL IMPACT

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SHORT TITLE: PRIORITIZE CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2014-2015	FY 2015-2016
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal Impact. See State Expenditures section.	
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: None.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires the Transportation Commission to include in both the Statewide Transportation Plan and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program a project to prioritize the completion of an update project on Interstate 25 (I-25) near mile marker 108.

Background

Required by federal and state regulations, the Statewide Transportation Plan provides direction and a framework for decision-making by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) concerning the state's transportation system. In creating the plan, CDOT works closely with transportation planning regions (TPRs), metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), Native American tribes, environmental resource agencies, and the public.

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is the planning document that identifies the transportation projects that CDOT intends to fund over a six year period. The STIP is prepared in cooperation with local government entities throughout the state, including TPRs and MPOs.

State Expenditures

This fiscal note assumes that the project referred to in the bill is the box culvert at mile marker 108 and the interchange just north of mile marker 108 on I-25. The estimated cost of the box culvert and the interchange project, based on a feasibility plan conducted 10 years ago, is approximately \$37 million. The actual amount of the project cannot be determined at this time; but is expected to increase as the CDOT will be required to perform an environmental study and planning study before the project can begin.

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Colorado Department of Transportation. The bill does not increase expenditures for CDOT. However, the department allocates available moneys according to identified project priorities and, to the extent that this project is prioritized for funding, it may change the timing of other projects.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 6, 2014, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 7, 2014, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

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