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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **West Midland Multi-Use Path Under Construction / Traffic Impacts Expected CONE ZONE UPDATES / 27<sup>th</sup> Street Striping to start at 9 a.m. Oct. 4**

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – Construction of the three-quarter-mile long trail segment of the West Midland Multi-Use Path from Lowe’s to the White Water Park is currently underway and is expected to be completed in May of 2017. The project, which includes a section of trail being constructed by RFTA, is intended to provide a safe route for pedestrians and cyclists from the Glenwood Springs Middle School to downtown Glenwood to use during the Grand Avenue Bridge detour in 2017 and beyond.

The City is anticipating traffic impacts to west Midland on Oct.13-14 as crews place a 120-foot long pedestrian bridge crossing of Midland Avenue, just south of the railroad bridge.

- **A one-lane configuration on west Midland will be set up starting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, October 13 to allow for crane set up.**
- **Full closure of the road from Devereux Road to Wulfsohn Road will begin at 8 p.m. and last until 6 a.m. the following day, Friday, October 14.**
- **During this time, motorists will need to use Devereux Road, 27<sup>th</sup> Street, I-70 or U.S. Highway 6.** (Motorists using Midland Ave. from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 27<sup>th</sup> Street are asked to drive carefully. The speed limit is 25mph along Midland Ave. from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 27<sup>th</sup> Street.)

City Council on August 4, 2016, approved the construction contract with Gould Construction for \$1,792,346.45 for the City’s portion of the trail. A portion of the project is being paid for by a \$375,000 Federal Mineral Lease District grant.

### **Cone Zone Updates:**

**27<sup>th</sup> Street:** Crews will be restriping 27<sup>th</sup> Street between South Grand and Colo. Highway 82 on Tuesday, October 4 after 9 a.m. to allow for a double left turn.

**I-70:** Construction on the Exit 114 eastbound off ramp will continue for approximately three more weeks. Anticipate continued rush hour delays of 20 minutes or more between 7:15 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

**8th Street Connection:** Crews have begun construction on the right turn lane at the intersection of 8th and Midland Avenue. 8th Street remains open to traffic in both directions, but the right turn lane pocket will be closed for two weeks. A full closure of the 8th Street Bridge is scheduled for Oct. 8-Oct.18. During this time, motorists are asked to use Exit 116 or the Grand Avenue Bridge as alternate routes.

**Bicycle/Pedestrian Connections:** A signed detour is currently in place for bikes/pedestrians traveling on the north side of 8th Street. A new temporary path on the north side of the street is under construction. Bike/pedestrian access will remain open for the duration of construction of the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge via the sidewalk.

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