

**COUNTY ROAD 150 BRIDGE REPAIR PROJECT**  
**ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO**

The Colorado Department of Transportation’s Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, dated 2025, control construction of this project. The following Special Provisions supplement or modify the Standard Specifications and take precedence over the Standard Specifications.

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**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Project Name: County Road 150 – Bridge Repair Project

Bid Opening Date: ***June 29, 2026, at 1:00 PM MT.***

The Proposal guaranty shall be a certified check, cashier’s check or bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the Contractor’s total bid.

Elbert County will receive electronic bids via the Rocky Mountain Colorado BidNet (E-Purchasing System) and identify an apparent low-bidder.

Questions from prospective bidders shall be submitted via Rocky Mountain BidNet by **June 11, 2026 at 1:00 PM MT.** The questions shall be directed to the Elbert County Public Works – Road and Bridge staff listed below. Pursuant to subsections 102.04 and 102.05, it is recommended that bidders on this project review the work site and plan details with an authorized Department representative.

Pre-Bid Conference:

No pre-bid conference will be held for this project. Direct all questions to the Elbert County staff listed below by **June 11, 2026, at 1:00 PM MT.**

It is recommended that bidders on this project review the work site and plan details. Prospective bidders shall contact the following authorized representative(s) with any project specific questions:

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The above referenced individual(s) is the only representative with authority to provide any information, clarification, or interpretation regarding the plans, specifications, and any other Contract Documents or requirements. Contact with any other employee of Elbert County, or any other individuals regarding this project, is not authorized. Any information obtained from other than the authorized Elbert County, representatives shall be considered invalid in the preparation of a proposal for this project.

All references to the Colorado Division of Highways, Colorado Department of Transportation, and/or Department or Division shall also mean Elbert County Public Works - Road and Bridge.

Project Description and Notes: This project is located in Elbert County, Colorado, on County Road 150 at the bridge over West Bijou Creek, located between Fiddleback Ranch Road and County Road 85. The project consists of excavating and clearing debris at bridge piers, installing a reinforced concrete encasement of existing upstream pier piles, backfilling, installing riprap, and traffic control. The project is isolated to the bridge and is within the Elbert County public Right-of-Way.

Water shall be provided (and a source identified) by the Contractor and approved by Elbert County Public Works – Road and Bridge.

Mobilization, Materials, Staging, and Storage: The Contractor may utilize the lane closure on CR 150 for staging and storage. No materials, staging, or storage shall be permitted on the bridge deck at any time.

### COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION OF WORK

The Contractor shall commence work under the Contract on or before the 15th day following Contract execution or the 30th day following the date of award, whichever comes later, unless such time for beginning the work is changed by the Chief Engineer in the "Notice to Proceed." The Contractor shall complete all work within 30 calendar days per the "Notice to Proceed."

The Contractor shall coordinate their work schedule and lane closure period with the Elbert County North Central Fire Protection District.

The Contractor shall provide Elbert County a construction schedule.

The Contractor shall complete the following discrete portions of the work (milestones) by the dates specified. A disincentive will be assessed for failure to complete the work for each milestone by the specified completion date.

1. Notice to Proceed, project set-up, mobilization, including traffic control, submittals, permits, Pre-Con's, other meetings, etc.
2. Erosion Control (Initial and Interim)
3. Earthwork – clear and grub, remove debris, unclassified excavation
4. Sandblasting
5. Welding
6. Reinforcing Steel
7. Forming
8. Concrete Pour
9. Backfill
10. Riprap
11. Erosion Control (Final)
12. Clean-up, punch-list, demobilization
13. Anticipated Substantial Completion date
14. Anticipated Final Completion date

#### Work Hours and Restrictions - Nights and Weekends

Working hours shall be from 0700 – 1900 MT. Monday through Friday.

No work shall be conducted at night or on Saturday or Sunday without prior written approval of Elbert County.

#### Contractor Schedule

The Contractor's progress schedule shall be a Critical Path Schedule or Bar Chart.

#### Substantial Completion

Substantial completion will be granted for facilities open to the Public upon approval by the Project Manager and Elbert County.

**ON THE JOB TRAINING CONTRACT GOAL**

The Department has determined that On the Job Training shall be provided to trainees with the goal of developing full journey workers in the types of trade or classification involved. The contract goal for On the Job Trainees working in an approved training plan in this Contract has been established as follows:

Minimum number of total hours required for On the Job Training is 0.

**REVISION OF SECTION 101  
DEFINITION OF TERMS**

Technical Specifications related to construction materials and methods for the work embraced under this Contract shall consist of *The State of Colorado, Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction* dated 2025.

Certain terms utilized in the Specifications referred to in the paragraph above shall be interpreted to have different meaning within the scope of this Contract. A summary of redefinitions follows:

Subsection 101.28 “Department” shall mean Elbert County, Colorado.

Subsection 101.29 “Engineer” shall mean Elbert County, Colorado, or designated representative.

Subsection 101.51 “Project Engineer” or “Project Manager” shall mean Elbert County, Colorado, or their designated representative.

Subsection 101.76 “State” shall mean Elbert County, Colorado (where applicable).

**REVISION OF SECTION 105  
CONTROL OF WORK**

Control of work shall be governed by Elbert County Construction Standards and Specifications Section 131.00.

**Section 105 of the Standard Special Provisions is hereby revised for this project as follows:**

**Subsection 105.10 shall include the following:**

The Contractor shall coordinate lane closures with Elbert County North Central Fire Protection District. Access to the fire station must be maintained at all times.

The Contractor shall coordinate construction phasing schedule with Elbert County.

Mobilization, Materials, Staging, and Storage: The Contractor may utilize the lane closure on CR 150 for staging and storage. No materials, staging, or storage shall be permitted on the bridge deck at any time.

**REVISION OF SECTION 201  
CLEARING AND GRUBBING**

**Section 201 of the Standard Specifications is hereby revised for this project as follows:**

**Section 201.01 is hereby revised to include the following:**

This work consists of removal and disposal of trash of any kind within the limits of the right of way, easement areas, and other areas shown in the contract or required by the work. These items shall be removed and disposed of by the Contractor during construction and prior to final acceptance of the project.

**Subsection 201.02 is hereby revised to include the following:**

No clearing and grubbing shall take place in areas outside of the limits of construction. The Contractor shall not remove any shrubs or trees within the project limits without prior written approval from Elbert County and the Engineer. All trees and shrubs within or adjacent to the project limits, unless otherwise noted, shall be protected. Clearing and grubbing shall include the removal of all debris within 20' of an existing bridge pier.

Limits of clearing and grubbing shall be field verified by Elbert County and the Engineer prior to beginning any clearing and grubbing.

Removal of trash will not be measured and paid for separately, but shall be included in the cost of clearing and grubbing.

**REVISION OF SECTION 203  
EXCAVATION**

**Section 206 of the Standard Specifications is hereby revised for this project as follows:**

**In subsection 206.06, delete (b) and replace with the following:**

(b) All excavation required to install riprap and the pile repair/encasement as shown on the plans will not be measured for payment but shall be included in the work.

**Subsection 206.07 shall include the following:**

All excavation required to install riprap and the pile repair/encasement as shown on the plans will not be measured for payment but shall be included in the work.

**REVISION OF SECTION 208  
WATER CONTROL**

**Section 208 of the Standard Specification is hereby revised for this project as follows:**

**Subsection 208.01 shall be amended to include the following:**

Water Control shall include all labor, equipment, materials, permits, and fees required to convey or divert water within West Bijou Creek around the active construction area to protect water quality from construction pollutants. This work shall include but not be limited to pumping and/or clear water diversion of the water passing through the location of the proposed pier and riprap work in addition to groundwater or surface runoff that may enter the project area. The work shall also include a means for ensuring that sediment originating from the project site does not enter West Bijou Creek.

**Subsection 208.05 shall be amended to include the following:**

(u) Water Control System. The Contractor shall submit a detailed methods statement and exhibits that outline the installation, operation, maintenance, and removal of the Water Control System at least 10 days prior to construction. Work in the channel shall not begin until the County provides written acceptance of the submittal, and the Water Control System is installed.

**Subsection 208.12 shall be amended to include the following:**

<b>Pay Item</b>	<b>Pay Unit</b>
Water Control	Lump Sum

**SECTION 240  
PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS  
BIOLOGICAL WORK PERFORMED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S BIOLOGIST**

**Add Section 240 to the Standard Specifications for this project as follows:**

**Description**

**240.01** This work consists of protecting migratory birds during construction.

**Materials and Construction Requirements**

**240.02** The Contractor shall schedule clearing and grubbing operations and work on structures to avoid taking (pursue, hunt, take, capture, or kill; attempt to take, capture, kill or possess) migratory birds protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). The Contractor shall retain a qualified wildlife biologist for this project. The wildlife biologist shall have a minimum of three years' experience conducting migratory bird surveys and implementing the requirements of the MBTA. The Contractor shall submit documentation of the biologist's education and experience to the Engineer for acceptance. A biologist with less experience may be used by the Contractor subject to the approval of the Engineer based on review of the biologist's qualifications.

The wildlife biologist shall record the location of each protected nest, bird species, the protection method used, and the date installed. A copy of these records shall be submitted to the Engineer.

(a) *Vegetation Removal.* When possible, vegetation shall be cleared before the time when active nests are present. Vegetation removal activities shall be timed to avoid the migratory bird breeding season which begins on April 1 and runs to August 31. All areas scheduled for clearing and grubbing between April 1 and August 31 shall first be surveyed within the work limits for active migratory bird nests. The Contractor's wildlife biologist shall also survey for active migratory bird nests within 50 feet outside work limits. Contractor personnel shall enter areas outside CDOT right of way only if a written, signed document granting permission to enter the property has been obtained from the property owner. The Contractor shall document all denials of permission to enter property. The Contractor shall avoid all active migratory bird nests. The Contractor shall avoid the area within 50 feet of the active nests or the area within the distance recommended by the biologist until all nests within that area have become inactive. Inactive nest removal and other necessary measures shall be incorporated into the work as follows:

1. **Tree and Shrub Removal or Trimming.** Tree and shrub removal or trimming shall occur before April 1 or after August 31 if possible. If tree and shrub removal or trimming will occur between April 1 and August 31, a survey for active nests shall be conducted by the wildlife biologist within the seven days immediately before the beginning of work in each area of tree and shrub removal or trimming. The survey shall be conducted for each phase of tree and shrub removal or trimming.

If an active nest containing eggs or young birds is found, the tree or shrub containing the active nest shall remain undisturbed and protected until the nest becomes inactive. The nest shall be protected by placing fence (plastic) a minimum distance of 50 feet from each nest to be undisturbed. This buffer dimension may be changed if determined appropriate by the wildlife biologist and approved by the Engineer. Work shall not proceed within the fenced buffer area until the young have fledged or the nests have become inactive.

If the fence is knocked down or destroyed by the Contractor, the Engineer will suspend the work, wholly or in part, until the fence is satisfactorily repaired at the Contractor's expense. Time lost due to such

suspension will not be considered a basis for adjustment of time charges but will be charged as contract time.

2. *Grasses and Other Vegetation Management.* Due to the potential for encountering ground nesting birds' habitat, if work occurs between April 1 and August 31, the area shall be surveyed by a wildlife biologist within the seven days immediately before ground disturbing activities.

The undisturbed ground cover to 50 feet beyond the planned disturbance, or to the right of way line, whichever is less, shall be maintained at a height of 6 inches or less beginning April 1 and continuing until August 31 or until the end of ground disturbance work, whichever comes first.

If birds establish a nest within the survey area, an appropriate buffer of 50 feet will be established around the nest by the CDOT biologist. This buffer dimension may be changed if determined appropriate by the CDOT biologist and approved by the Engineer. The Contractor shall install fence (plastic) at the perimeter of the buffer. Work shall not proceed within the buffer until the young have fledged or the nests have become inactive.

If the fence is knocked down or destroyed by the Contractor, the Engineer will suspend the work, wholly or in part, until the fence is satisfactorily repaired at the Contractor's expense. Time lost due to such suspension will not be considered a basis for adjustment of time charges but will be charged as contract time.

- (b) *Work on structures.* The Contractor shall prosecute work on structures in a manner that does not result in a taking of migratory birds protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). The Contractor shall not prosecute the work on structures during the primary breeding season, April 1 through August 31, unless he takes the following actions:
  - (1) The Contractor shall remove existing nests before April 1. If the Contract is not awarded before April 1 and CDOT has removed existing nests, then the monitoring of nest building shall become the Contractor's responsibility upon Notice to Proceed.
  - (2) During the time that the birds are trying to build or occupy their nests, between April 1 and August 31, the Contractor shall monitor the structures at least once every three days for any nesting activity.
  - (3) If the birds have started to build any nests, they shall be removed before the nest is completed. Water shall not be used to remove the nests if nests are located within 50 feet of any surface waters.
  - (4) Installation of netting may be used to prevent nest building. The netting shall be monitored and repaired or replaced as needed. Netting shall consist of a mesh with openings that are  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch by  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch or less.

If an active nest becomes established, i.e., there are eggs or young in the nest, all work that could result in abandonment or destruction of the nest shall be avoided until the young have fledged or the nest is unoccupied as determined by the wildlife biologist and approved by the Engineer. The Contractor shall prevent construction activity from displacing birds after they have laid their eggs and before the young have fledged.

If the project continues into the following spring, this cycle shall be repeated. When work on the structure is complete, the Contractor shall remove and properly dispose of netting used on the structure.

- (c) *Taking of a Migratory Bird.* The taking of a migratory bird shall be reported to the Engineer. The Contractor shall be responsible for all penalties levied by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for the taking of a migratory bird.

**Method of Measurement**

**240.03** Wildlife Biologist will be measured by the actual authorized number of hours a wildlife biologist is on site performing the required tasks.

Removal of nests will be measured by the actual number of man-hours spent removing inactive nests just before and during the breeding season, April 1 through August 31. During this period, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer each week for approval a list of the workers who removed nests and the number of hours each one spent removing nests.

Netting will be measured by the square yard of material placed to keep birds from nesting on the structure. Square yards will be calculated using the length of netting measured where it is attached to the ground and the average height of the netting where it is attached to the structure.

**Basis of Payment**

**240.04** The accepted quantities measured as provided above will be paid for at the contract unit price for each of the pay items listed below that appear in the bid schedule.

Payment will be made under:

<b>Pay Item</b>	<b>Pay Unit</b>
<b>Wildlife Biologist</b>	<b>Hour</b>
<b>Removal of Nests</b>	<b>Hour</b>

Payment for Wildlife Biologist will be full compensation for all work and materials required to complete the item, including wildlife biologist, wildlife survey, and documentation (record of nest location and protection method)

Payment for Removal of Nests will be full compensation for all work and material required to complete the work.

Payment for netting will be full compensation for all work and material required to complete the item. Overlaps of netting will not be measured and paid for separately but shall be included in the work.

Maintenance and replacement, removal, and disposal of netting will not be measured and paid for separately but shall be included in the work.

Clearing and grubbing will be measured and paid for per Section 201. Mowing will not be measured and paid for separately but shall be included in the work.

Removal and trimming of trees will be measured and paid for per Section 202.

Fence (Plastic) will be measured and paid for per Section 607

**REVISION OF SECTION 506  
RIPRAP**

**Subsection 506.05 shall be deleted and replaced with the following:**

The accepted quantities of riprap will be paid for at the contract unit price per cubic yard.

Filter Fabric is required under all riprap applications. Filter fabric will not be measured or paid for separately but shall be included in the work.

<b>Pay Item</b>	<b>Pay Unit</b>
Riprap (18 Inch)	Cubic Yard

**REVISION OF SECTION 630  
PORTABLE MESSAGE SIGN PANEL**

**Revise Section 630 of the Standard Specifications or this project as follows:**

**Subsection 630.01 shall include the following:**

This work includes furnishing, operating, and maintaining portable message sign panels. The number of required portable message panels shall be confirmed by Elbert County before construction begins.

**Add subsection 630.031 immediately following subsection 630.03 as follows:**

**630.031 Portable Message Sign Panel.** Portable message sign panel shall be furnished as a device fully self-contained on a portable trailer, capable of being licensed for normal highway travel, and shall include leveling and stabilization jacks. The panel shall display a minimum of three x eight-character lines. The panel shall be a dot-matrix type with an LED legend on a flat black background. LED signs shall have a pre-default message that activates before a power failure. The sign shall be solar powered with independent back-up battery power. The sign shall be capable of 360 degrees rotation and shall be able to be elevated to a height of at least five feet above the ground measured at the bottom of the sign. The sign shall be visible from one-half mile under both day and night conditions. The message shall be legible from a minimum of 750 feet. The sign shall automatically adjust its light source to meet the legibility requirements during the hours of darkness. The sign enclosure shall be weather tight and provide a clear polycarbonate front cover.

Solar powered message signs shall be capable of operating continuously for 10 days without any sun. All instrumentation and controls shall be contained in a lockable enclosure. The sign shall be capable of changing and displaying sign messages and other sign features such as flash rates, moving arrows, etc.

Each sign shall also conform to the following:

- (1) In addition to the onboard solar power operation with battery back-up, each sign shall be capable of operating on a hard wire, 100-110 VAC, external power source.
- (2) All electrical wiring, including connectors and switch controls necessary to enable all required sign functions shall be provided with each sign.
- (3) Each sign shall be furnished with an operating and parts manual, wiring diagrams, and trouble-shooting guide.
- (4) The portable message sign shall be capable of maintaining all required operations under Colorado mountain-winter weather conditions.
- (5) Each sign shall be furnished with an attached license plate and mounting bracket.
- (6) Each sign shall be wired with a 7-prong male electric plug for the brake light wiring system.

**Subsection 630.13 shall include the following:**

The portable message sign panel shall be on the project site at least 2 days before the start of active roadway construction. Maintenance, storage, operation, relocation to different sites during the project, and all repairs of portable message sign panels shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

**Subsection 630.18 shall include the following:**

Portable message sign panels will be measured in the following way:

- (1) By the maximum number of approved units in use on the project at any one time.

**Subsection 630.19 shall include the following:**

<b>Pay Item</b>	<b>Pay Unit</b>
Portable Message Sign Panel	Each

**FORCE ACCOUNT ITEMS**

**DESCRIPTION**

This special provision contains the Division's estimate for force account items included in the Contract. The estimated amounts marked with an asterisk will be added to the total bid to determine the amount of the performance and payment bonds. Force Account work shall be performed as directed by the Engineer.

**BASIS OF PAYMENT**

Payment will be made in accordance with subsection 109.04. Payment will constitute full compensation for all work necessary to complete the item.

Force account work valued at \$5,000 or less, that must be performed by a licensed journeyman in order to comply with federal, state, or local codes, may be paid for after receipt of an itemized statement endorsed by the Contractor.

<u>Force Account Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Estimated Amount</u>
F/A 01 - Minor Contract Revisions	F.A.	\$ 40,000*
F/A 03 – Erosion Control	F.A.	\$ 5,000*

**Force Account Descriptions:**

- F/A 01 Minor Contract Revisions - This work consists of minor work authorized and approved by the Engineer, which is not included in the Contract drawings or specifications and is necessary to accomplish the scope of work of the Contract.
- F/A 02 On-The-Job Trainee - This item consists of that noted in the “ON THE JOB TRAINING CONTRACT GOAL” in these specifications.
- F/A 03 Erosion Control - Supplemental erosion control measures suggested by the Erosion Control Supervisor, but not provided for in the contract plans or specifications. All items shall be approved by the Engineer prior to installation or they will be at no cost to the project.

### UTILITIES

If utilities are within the limits of this project, call before you dig.

The work described in these plans and specifications requires coordination between the Contractor and the utility companies in accordance with subsection 105.11 in conducting their respective operations as necessary to complete the utility work with minimum delay to the project.

The work listed below shall be performed by the Contractor in accordance with the plans and specifications, and as directed by the Engineer. The Contractor shall keep each utility company advised of any work being done to its facility, so that the utility company can coordinate its inspections for final acceptance of the work with the Engineer.

The utility work listed below will be performed by the Contractor:

No Utility conflicts are anticipated. Contractor to be cognizant of overhead lines and utilities attached to the existing bridge while working.

The work listed below will be performed by the utility owners or their agents:

No Utility work by owners is anticipated.

#### GENERAL:

The Contractor shall comply with Article 1.5 of Title 9, CRS ("Excavation Requirements") when excavation or grading is planned in the area of underground utility facilities. The Contractor shall notify all affected utilities at least two (2) business days, not including the day of notification, prior to commencing such operations. The Contractor shall contact the Utility Notification Center of Colorado (UNCC) at (8-1-1) or 1-800-922-1987 to have locations of UNCC registered lines marked by member companies. All other underground facilities shall be located by contacting the respective company. Utility service laterals shall also be located prior to beginning excavating or grading.

The location of utility facilities as shown on the plan and profile sheets, and herein described, were obtained from the best available information.

All costs incidental to the foregoing requirements will not be paid for separately but shall be included in the work.