

# SH 82 BASALT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS

## Project Update

As of mid-June, the overall project is 70% complete. The structural concrete, which includes the underpass and the walls extending out on either side, is 90% complete, with one small wall remaining to be formed and poured. The bulk of the major excavation and structural backfill is also complete. Progress continues on architectural items, pedestrian sidewalks, stairways and railing. Major remaining work to be completed by the end of August includes lighting, asphalt paving, curb and gutter, landscaping and new traffic signals.

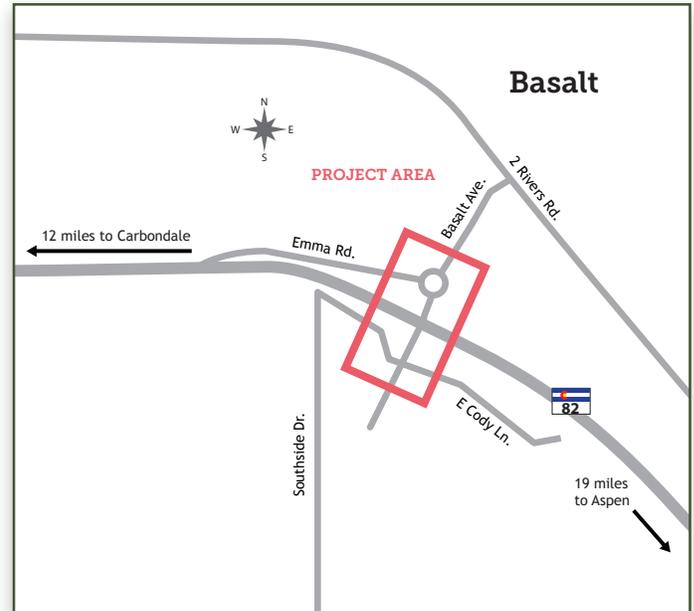
## Project Schedule

The 13-month project is scheduled for completion in late October 2017. Here is the schedule with notes of our progress on the major phases of work for this project:

- **September 2016–March 2017: North Phase**
  - Temporary bus stop placements (COMPLETE)
  - Building temporary lanes vehicle traffic (COMPLETE)
  - Removal of asphalt and underpass excavation/digging (COMPLETE)



North phase of the project, looking south onto SH 82



- Retaining wall construction along Basalt Avenue (COMPLETE)
- Traffic switch to second detour configuration (COMPLETE)

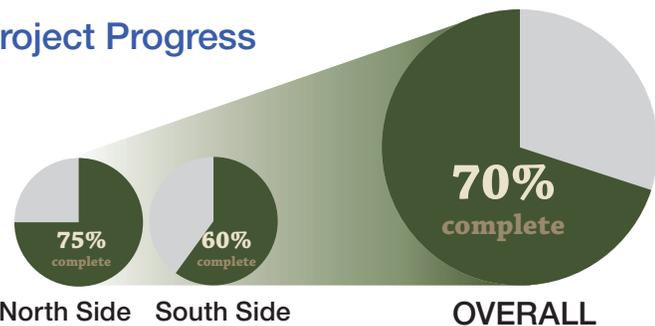
- **March 2017–August 2017: South Phase**

- Asphalt, excavation and retaining wall work (IN PROGRESS)
- Final pavement, signals, striping, drainage safety work
- Reactivation of BRT stations
- Trail construction

- **September 2017–October 20, 2017: Final Phase**

- Curb, gutter and guardrail installation
- Final striping and landscaping

## Project Progress



## Safety in Mind

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) estimates approximately 17,000 vehicles pass through the SH 82/Basalt Avenue intersection each day. Traffic congestion at the intersection has only increased in recent years, and the existing highway crossing is heavily used by pedestrians, cyclists and transit riders.

With these factors in mind, the Town of Basalt and Pitkin County took initiative to increase safety for all means of transportation.

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The pedestrian underpass will allow the public to access both sides of the highway in an easy and safe fashion. Motorists using the intersection will also benefit from the removal of the pedestrian cycle in the signal and an added right turn lane on the South Side of Basalt Avenue to assist the morning commuters access SH 82.

### Project Overview

On September 19, 2016, the Town of Basalt and contractor Oldcastle/United Companies broke ground on a pedestrian underpass road construction project on State Highway (SH) 82 near Basalt Avenue. The new underpass is being built on the Aspen side of the SH 82 intersection and will connect the Basalt store area to the RFTA BRT station and park-n-ride.

The new underpass is designed to be 140 feet long, up to 9 feet tall, and 16 feet wide. It will also be illuminated. The project will require the removal of over 8,000 cubic feet of dirt. The construction of the underground path, combined with the installation of new traffic signals and an upgraded storm water drainage system, is anticipated to

improve the flow of traffic and pedestrian safety along this busy stretch of the highway.

Oldcastle SW Group Inc., doing business as United Companies, was awarded the \$6.2 million project. Normal working hours will be Monday through Friday, beginning at 7 a.m. and concluding at 7 p.m. No work is planned on holidays or weekends.

### Contact Us

If you have questions about the project, please contact the Public Information Team at 970-718-5818. The Team is also available by email at [Basalt@PublicInfoTeam.com](mailto:Basalt@PublicInfoTeam.com), and we are more than happy to add you to our email distribution lists. All inquiries will receive a response within 24 business hours.

To sign up to receive project information and/or lane closure updates on state highways in the area of your choice, visit CDOT's website at [www.codot.gov](http://www.codot.gov) and choose the envelope icon at the bottom of the page. Or, to see CDOT's lane closure reports for projects statewide, visit [www.codot.gov/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html](http://www.codot.gov/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html).

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