

Boulder County, CO

Boulder County Bikelane Initiative

Problem Statement:

Many counties are seeing a significant sector of their population that ride bicycles for commuting and recreation. Heavy traffic and narrow, 7.3 meter (24 foot) wide, county roads create traffic hazards for both the cyclists, as well as automobiles. Using federal transportation enhancement funds to create bikelanes, is not always practical or feasible.

Solution:

In order to accommodate these riders safely, Boulder County added 1.2 meter (4 feet) wide paved shoulders to both sides of a 11.3 kilometer (7 mile) corridor. Project construction was completed expeditiously by local contractors in 4 week time frames during three consecutive construction seasons. Project costs were approximately \$69,000 per kilometer (\$111,000 per mile).

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