Quick Facts

Category: Design

Project: I-80 Newberry Interchange improvements and L56G from Platte River to US 30 in North Platte, 4-lane divided highway

Estimated project cost: $22M

Length of project: 2 miles

Why It Was Selected

Enhances Safety Along the Corridor: Recognizing that improvements to the I-80 Newberry Interchange and L56G need to be made in tandem to best-serve the corridor, NDOR will combine these two projects into one and complete the necessary design work so that it will be ready for future construction. Current crash rates on both segments can be attributed to increased traffic, more specifically truck traffic utilizing I-80 and two existing truck stops. This project will improve traffic flow and enhance safety for both freight and travelers.

Economic Opportunity: Stakeholders have indicated there are significant economic development opportunities in this area. A new National Guard helicopter facility is being built and more growth is expected. This project will help facilitate additional development along the corridor.

Regional Priority: Participants identified the Newberry Interchange and the four-lane expansion of L56G from Platte River to US 30 as top priorities at NDOR’s recent stakeholder meetings. The Newberry Interchange ranked in the top 25 percent for engineering performance according to NDOR’s prioritization process. Stakeholders were concerned about the increased truck traffic along the interchange, much of which is associated with two truck stops located in the area. Similarly, stakeholders stressed that the four-lane expansion of L56G would help move truck traffic out of downtown North Platte.

Questions?
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