

Riverside Parkway Fact Sheet

- ❖ Largest capital improvement project in Grand Junction history
- ❖ \$110 million total project cost
- ❖ 7 miles long
- ❖ 3 and 5-lane urban roadway providing connections across southern Grand Junction
- ❖ Connects 3 state highways and crosses 2 major railways
- ❖ Built within 5 years
- ❖ 100% locally funded
- ❖ Billboards will not be allowed within 300 feet of the Parkway
- ❖ 135 properties had to be acquired and relocated and \$20 million was spent to forge agreements
- ❖ Construction began fall 2005 and completed in 2008 (15 months ahead of schedule)
- ❖ Construction on Phase I began October 2005
- ❖ Phase II construction launched July 2006
- ❖ Phase III started fall 2007
- ❖ Costs:
 - Construction cost \$68.5 million (Phase I, II, III)
 - Right-of-way acquisition and relocation costs \$20 million
 - Street lighting, together with consolidation and rerouting of utilities \$6.5 million
 - Design, construction engineering and administrative costs \$15 million
- ❖ Raised, xeriscaped medians of crushed granite, bark mulch and native shrubs and trees
- ❖ New bike lanes along entire length of Parkway with several connectors to existing Riverfront trail system
- ❖ 4 new vehicle bridges
- ❖ 2 new pedestrian bridges
- ❖ 1 new pedestrian tunnel
- ❖ 2 bridges widened
- ❖ 10' widening and new asphalt overlay on the U.S. 50 bridge across the Colorado River
- ❖ 48' lengthening of the Broadway 340 bridge to accommodate the Riverside Parkway below
- ❖ More than 9,500 cubic yards of concrete for all six bridges
- ❖ 6,000 cubic yards of concrete for the retaining walls
- ❖ 255,000 lbs of structural steel reinforcement
- ❖ 500,000 cubic yards of earth was moved
- ❖ 60,000 linear feet of pipe installed
- ❖ 44,000 cubic yards of material used for retaining wall construction

- ❖ 2.3 million lbs of steel reinforcement
- ❖ More than 71,000 tons of asphalt
- ❖ In excess of 700 trees, 9,980 shrubs, and 2,430 perennials were planted
- ❖ More than 120 craftsmen and construction personnel from SEMA Construction and many sub-contractors
- ❖ 35+ pieces of heavy equipment were brought in from around Colorado
- ❖ Over 20 public meetings held throughout the three-year planning period prior to construction
- ❖ Presentations to all community service clubs, boards and commissions, and elected officials to keep the community informed