

BRUN Zoning and Planning Committee

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SHERIDAN CORRIDOR SAFETY STUDY Sheridan Civic Advisory Committee - Meeting 01

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OVERVIEW

A representative from BRUN is participating in the [Sheridan Corridor Safety Study](#) Civic Advisory Committee (CAC)!

This Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) study was launched in November of 2024 with the purpose of making Sheridan Boulevard safer for all users (driving, riding a bus, walking or rolling). This project is a collaborative partnership between DRCOG, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), Denver, Lakewood, Edgewater, Wheat Ridge, Mountain View and Lakeside.

This study is part of DRCOG's Corridor Planning Program (webpage found [here](#)), which focuses on advancing planning for projects outlined in the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan (document found [here](#)), and identifies Sheridan Boulevard as a priority corridor for safety improvements.

Sheridan Boulevard is further identified by CDOT as a Principal Arterial Road and is included on DRCOG's Regional High-Injury Network—the 9% of the more than 15,000 roadway miles in the Denver region where fatal and serious-injury crashes disproportionately occur. See DRCOG's crash data dashboard [here](#).

The DRCOG/CDOT Project Goals are to develop feasible infrastructure projects with identifiable funding sources that are supported by context-sensitive community engagement and facilitated by ongoing coordination between municipalities with the underlying goal of eliminating crashes involving a fatality or serious injury.

Be sure to post a comment on the [interactive map](#), share your Sheridan Safety Story, and sign up to receive updates and notifications about how to engage.

CORRIDOR STUDY GOALS

- Recommendations based on land use, activity generators, and vehicular access.
- Examine north/south pedestrian and bicycle connectivity on Sheridan Boulevard, as well as east/west connections.
- Ensure coordination between municipalities to enhance future infrastructure planning.
- Consider both planned and future redevelopment potential on the corridor when proposing pedestrian and bicycle-friendly areas.
- Ground recommendations in crash data analysis findings and ensure proposed solutions address observed crash types/trends.

PROJECT SCOPE

Other than gathering information and identifying opportunities and constraints, as they relate to the overall project goal of improving corridor safety for all users, there is no defined physical element scope currently. Generally, the Study is considering enhancements to existing infrastructure.

Sheridan Boulevard is currently identified by CDOT as a Principal Arterial Road – A major roadway that is primarily used to serve and move vehicular traffic through an area. Principal Arterial Roads are designed to provide vehicular mobility and can also provide direct access in some cases. Access is carefully controlled and usually limited to signalized intersections. The land-access function of Principal Arterials is subordinate to their primary function of providing mobility for traffic not destined to land adjacent to the roadway.

It is important to note that both the CDOT Corridor Planning Program and the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan do not mention the inclusion of either Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) or bike Lanes as a potential design element enhancement to the Sheridan Corridor. Also, the 2024 CDOT Roadway Functional Classification Guidance Manual makes no reference to BRT or Bike Lane inclusion for a Principal Arterial Road. Limited Right of Way (ROW) dimensions make inclusion of either element challenging.

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PROJECT BUDGET

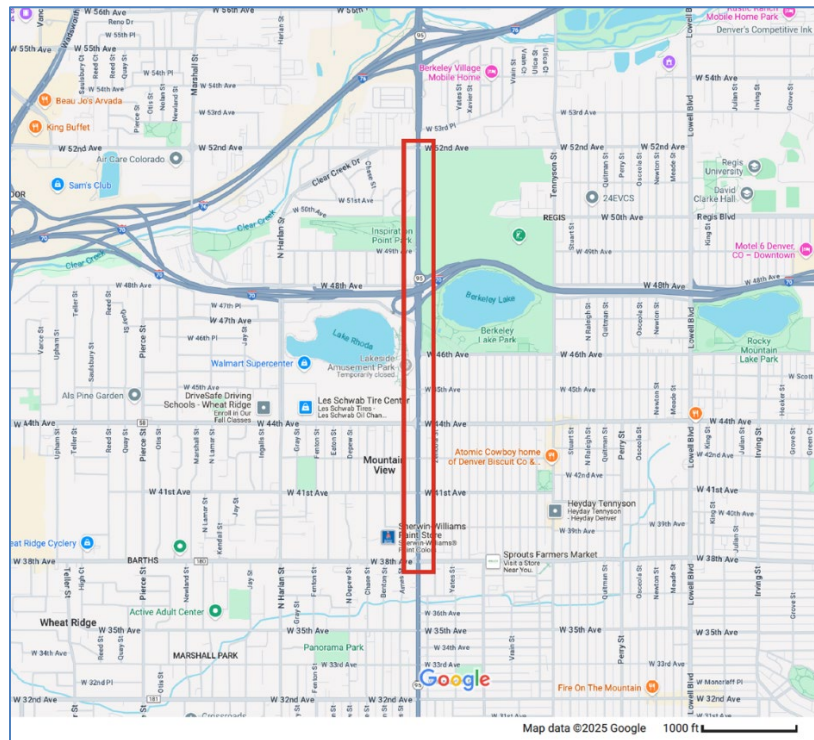
Other than funding for this Study, there is no current budget for design or implementation of any proposed enhancement elements.

BRUN STUDY AREA

The DRCOG Project Study Area is the Sheridan Boulevard corridor from I-76 on the north to US 285 on the south.

The BRUN Study Area portion of the Project Study Area includes the east side of Sheridan Boulevard, from W 52nd Avenue on the north end to W 38th Avenue on the south end. The BRUN Study Area is shown in the following map.

It should be noted that the consideration of any infrastructure enhancements will need to be made in coordination with the adjoining municipalities on the west side of the corridor.



The BRUN Study Area is adjacent to the following Counties/Municipalities:

- Adams County (NE corner of W 52nd and Sheridan)
- Jefferson County (NW corner of W 52nd and Sheridan)
- Lakeside
- Mountain View
- Wheat Ridge

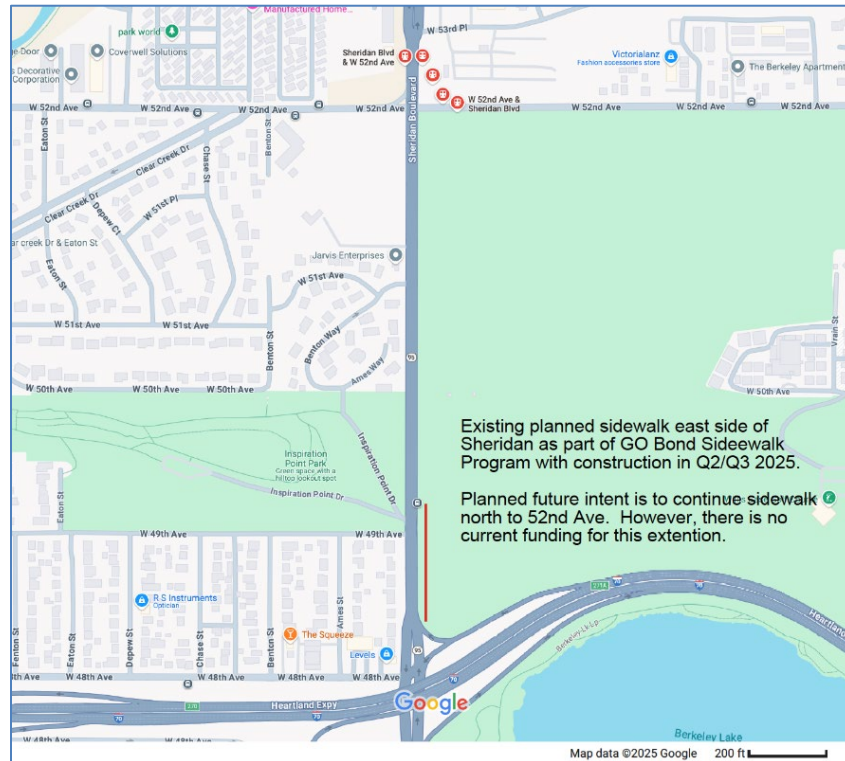
PARALLEL PROJECTS

A parallel project within the BRUN Study Area is the GO Bond Program sidewalk project along the east side of Sheridan Boulevard from W 49th Avenue south to I-70. This project is in its final phase of design with construction sometime in Q2/Q3 2025. This project is shown on the following map.

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Another parallel project is the Sheridan Boulevard Multimodal Corridor Plan (webpage found [here](#)). This project was developed by the City of Edgewater in partnership with the City and County of Denver, the Regional Transportation District (RTD) and CDOT. The project area is along Sheridan Boulevard between W 26th Avenue on the north and W 17th Avenue on the south. The project is currently in the design phase with anticipated construction in the 2026-28 timeframe.

PROJECT TIMELINE

- October 2024 through April 2025
 - Analyze previous plans and existing transportation conditions
 - Collect feedback on existing safety challenges
- Spring 2025
 - Finalize Corridor Vision
- Summer 2025
 - Develop recommendations and alternatives
- Fall 2025
 - Prioritization and feasibility assessment
- Fall/Winter 2025
 - Implementation Plan

KEEP IN TOUCH!

- Be sure to [visit the Study webpage](#) to add a comment on the interactive map, share your Sheridan Safety Story, and sign up to receive updates and notifications about how to engage.
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