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WELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TOUR CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS ON WCR49 CORRIDOR

WELD COUNTY, CO – Last week, the Weld County Board of Commissioners donned hard hats and reflective vests to tour the length of the WCR49 project and see first-hand the progress construction crews have made. The tour took over two hours, and was led by members of the WCR49 construction team and the Weld County Department of Public Works.

“Construction is moving along so quickly that WCR49 changes daily,” explained Barbara Kirkmeyer, Public Works Commissioner Coordinator. “We expect to have the roadway completed through CR22 by the end of 2016.”

The commissioners toured both completed and in-progress roadway areas, spoke with construction crews, and witnessed the laying of cement on the southbound side of WCR49. Crews then took the Commissioners under a section of roadway to inspect newly placed culverts along the 180 foot bridge over Box Elder Creek.

“It’s one thing to hear about all the hard work being done on this project, and it’s another to put on a hardhat see it happen in front of you,” Said Commissioner Chair Mike Freeman. “It’s remarkable to see a project of this scale in the works, and it’s a reminder that this isn’t just road construction, its history in the making.”

This project (the largest in county history) cost roughly \$150 million, and is paid for by the county in cash. This means no additional taxes on Weld County residents were imposed, and the county can maintain its debt-free status while constructing a 4-lane highway.

For the latest information regarding WCR49 construction updates and relevant road closures, sign up for our WCR49 newsletter here: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/COWELD/subscribers/new>

For quick information on the go, questions, comments, or concerns, call our 24/7 WCR49 project information line at: 970-573-6800



Left to right: Commissioners Kirkmeyer, Conway, Freeman, and Moreno talk with crew onsite

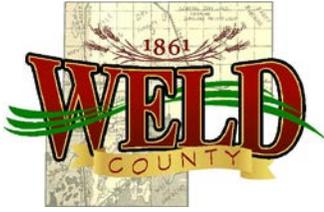


Commissioners lead the way under the Box Elder Bridge

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