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Speed Management Plan – Engage Forum

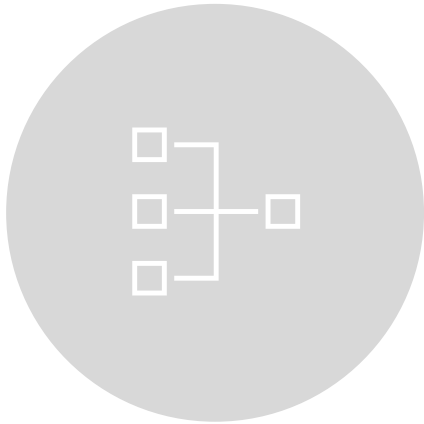
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INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF DURANGO BY RESOLUTION

- This is a call to honor and respect Indigenous sovereignty and self-determination. As residents and visitors of Durango, we are called upon to educate ourselves about the history and cultural heritage of the land we inhabit. The City of Durango is situated on the ancestral homelands and territories of the Nuuchiu (Ute), Jicarilla Apache (Apache), Pueblos of New Mexico, Hopi Sinom (Hopi), and Diné (Navajo) Nations. The original stewards of this land were forcibly removed and exposed to countless atrocities by the United States government, including repeatedly broken treaties, forced assimilation, the tragic legacy of Indian boarding schools, and the loss of ancestral homelands. We recognize lasting generational trauma exists within native communities today. We affirm the continuing importance of ancestral sites to descendant communities as integral to the living cultural landscape.
- This acknowledgment only becomes meaningful when combined with accountable relationships and informed actions. May this serve as a step towards inclusion and reconciliation.





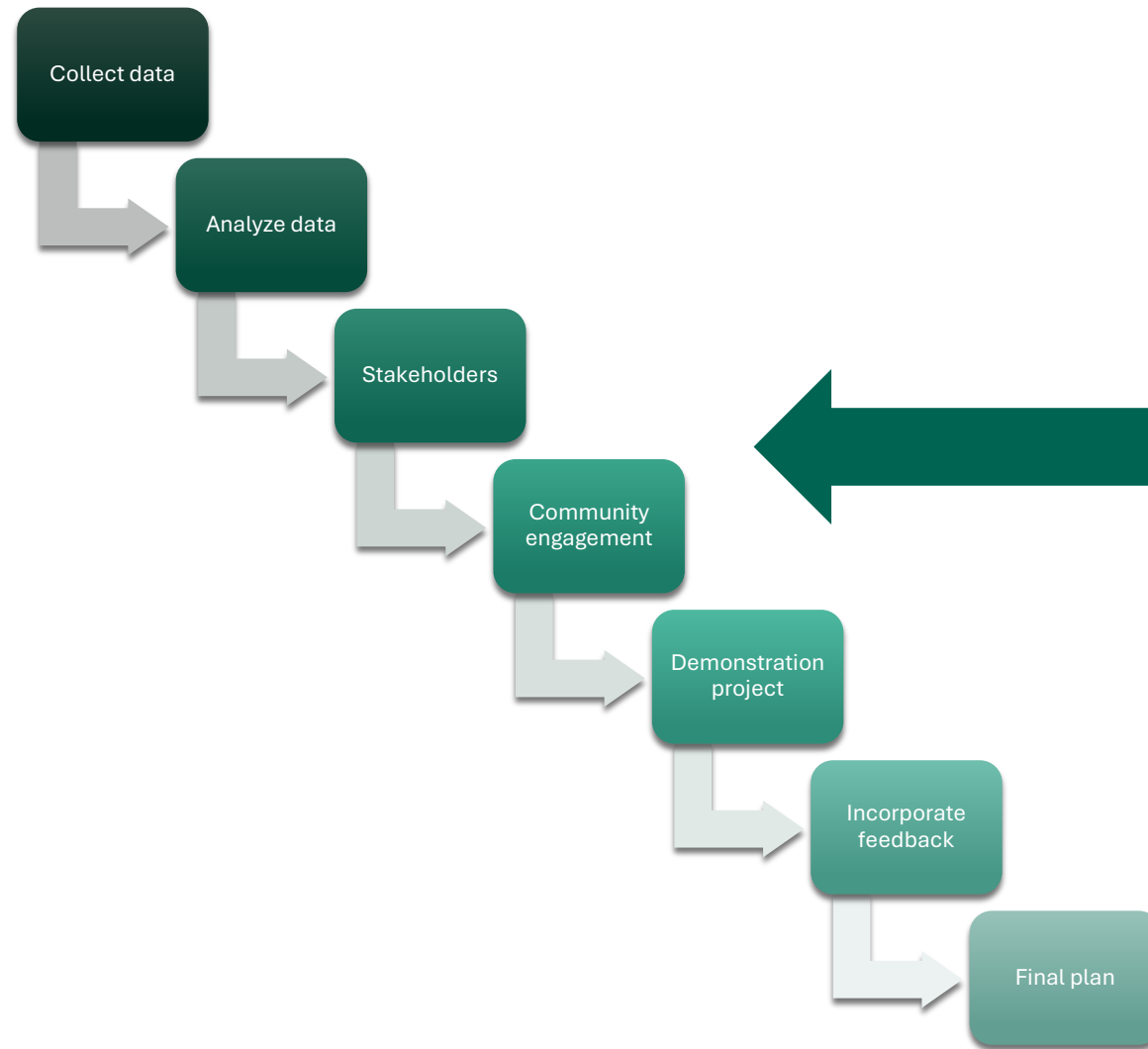
PLAN OVERVIEW



DEMONSTRATION

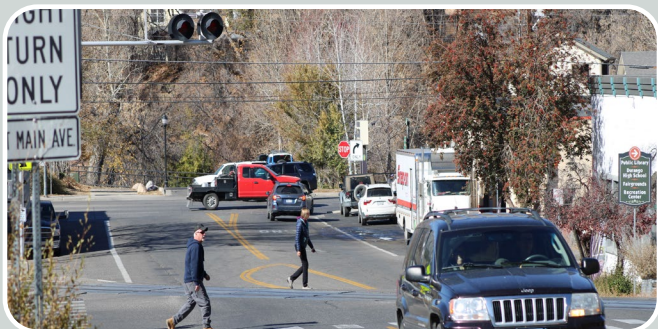


ENGAGEMENT



PROCESS

PROJECT OVERVIEW



The City is developing a Speed Management Plan to reduce speeding and crashes.



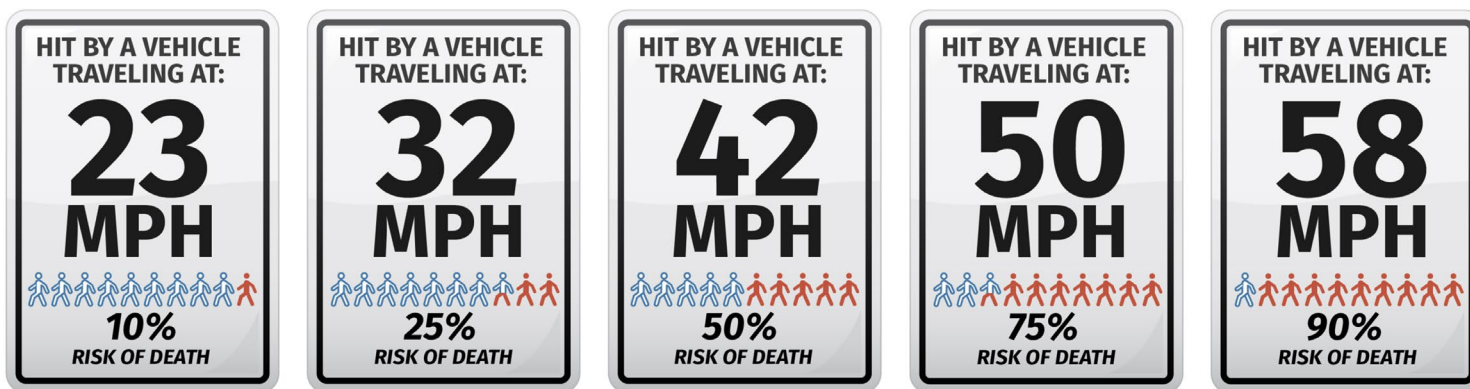
Plan will include a toolbox of strategies: engineering, education, and enforcement.



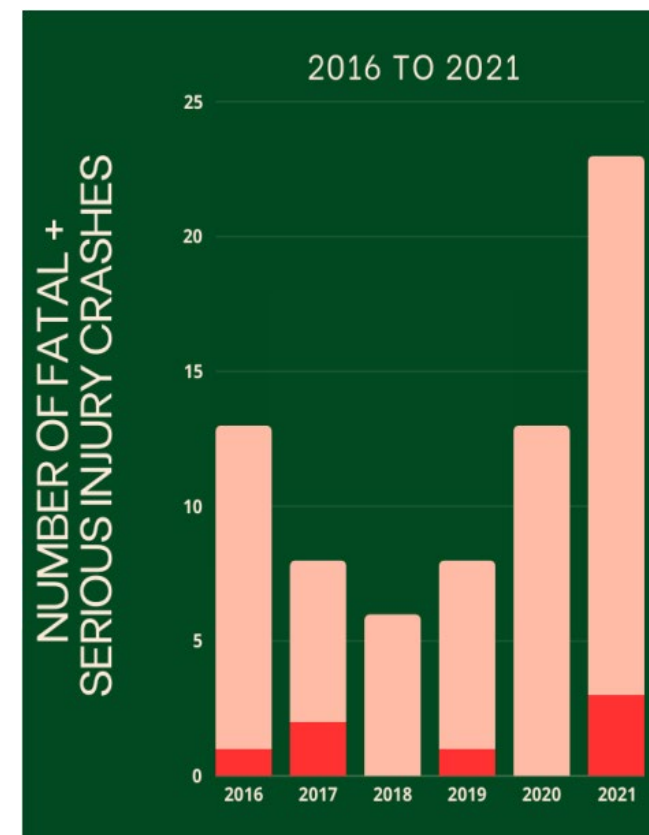
The strategies to reduce speeds will follow national best practices and be context sensitive.

THE NEED IN DURANGO

- Speeds are a key factor to roadway injuries and fatalities
- Between 2016 and 2021
 - 71 crashes resulting in injury
 - 7 crashes resulting in fatalities
- Plan will create a holistic and contextual approach to reduce speeds



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**2023 Multimodal Transportation Plan*

TWO KEY EFFORTS

Effort 1: Data & Needs Assessment

- Speed data collection
- Review existing plans
- Gather input from public, emergency services, and other stakeholders
- Identify safety challenges and develop strategies

Effort 2: Demonstration Projects

- Use data to choose 3 test locations including an arterial, collector, and local street
- Focus on high speeding/crash potential areas that are replicable to overall Durango streets
- Implement temporary demonstration projects
- Obtain community and stakeholder feedback from demonstration projects

SPEED & CRASH DATA

2024

Over 2,000 traffic
stops for speeding

Over 100 speeding
complaints to PD

416 crashes

Over 750 citations for
speeding

59 injuries

16 bike and pedestrian
injuries

CHALLENGES & CONSIDERATIONS



Commuter
patterns



Bicycle &
pedestrian safety



Transit & tourism
trends



Emergency &
evacuation
access



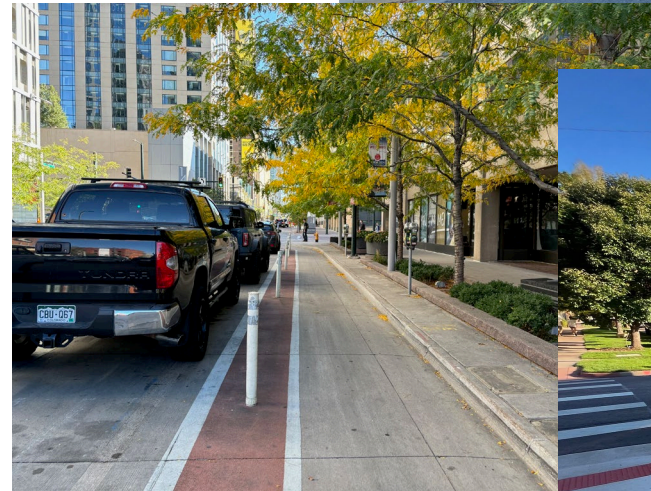
Seasonal
maintenance



Intersection
operations

POTENTIAL STRATEGIES

- Curb extensions
- Automated speed or red-light enforcement cameras
- Speed cushions
- Reduced lane width
- Chicanes
- Roundabouts/traffic circles
- Protected bike lanes
- Road diet
- Electronic signs showing driver speed



DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

Three **pilot projects** will launch in **Summer/Fall 2025**.

Public will experience the strategies and provide feedback.

Demonstrations will test:

- Speed reduction effectiveness
- Road maintenance impacts
- Emergency service access
- Potential for broader implementation

DEMONSTRATION LOCATIONS

- Arterial Street – Goeglein Gulch
 - Between roundabout to Hillcrest
 - Buffered bike lane
- Collector Street – Riverview Drive
 - Between Animas Pl to Animas Pl
 - Chicane (creating curves in the roadway)
- Local Street – 7th St
 - Between E 3rd Ave and E 6th Ave
 - Alternating back-in angled parking and curb extensions



FINAL PLAN

- Community-supported strategies
- Permanent and quick-build solutions
- Scalable improvements across Durango

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Online Survey
 - Open until May 30
- Demonstration project engagement
 - Fall 2025
- Engage.DurangoCo.Gov feedback

Take the City of Durango



Speed Management Plan Survey



<https://engage.durangoco.gov/speed-management-plan/speed-management-plan-survey>

QUESTIONS?





Check out the Engage Durango
website to learn more!

