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City Awarded \$151,750 for South Midland Reconstruction Project

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – The Department of Local Affairs announced on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2018, that the City will receive an award of \$151,750 in grant funding for a portion of the South Midland Avenue reconstruction project. The grant funding is targeted specifically toward rock fall mitigation, which is one component part of the larger 2019 South Midland project. State Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Program grants are funded through state severance tax proceeds.

Rockfall mitigation on the project will include netting in the problematic roadside cut slope areas above Midland Avenue. Rock falls in the area have periodically damaged the road and caused road closures.

The project to reconstruct South Midland will completely replace and upgrade the waterline that serves all South Glenwood Springs, add broadband infrastructure beneath the entirely rebuilt roadway, add a sidewalk through the corridor, and improve multiple road intersections along South Midland. A roundabout at the three-way intersection of Four Mile Road, Airport Road and Midland Avenue will be constructed to help streamline traffic to Sopris Elementary and to Four Mile Road while improving drainage in the area. Approximately 3,400 residents of the City and County use the road daily, which is listed as a poor/failed road according to a Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating (PASER) survey conducted by Applied Pavement Technology the Spring of 2017.

In March 2017, the City performed rock scaling work to remove loose rock from the cut slope along the western side of the 2900-3000 Blocks of Midland Avenue.

In April 2018, a small section of South Midland Avenue, just south of the intersection of Midland Avenue and Hager Lane, underwent emergency repairs due to slope failure on the embankment and heavy rains.