



# ***Design-Build Performance Over the Years: An Exploration into Colorado's Experience***

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# Presentation Agenda

- Delivery Methods
- D-B History
- Existing Literature
- Findings/Discussion
- Future Work

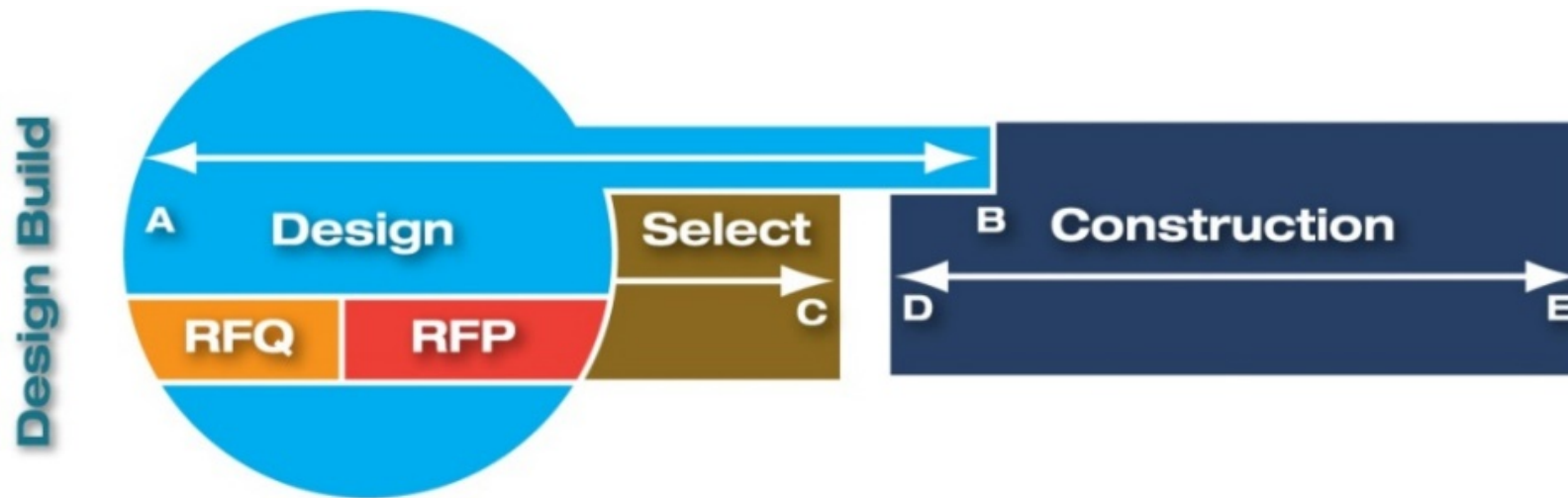
**CDOT Project Performance (2008 – 2016): D-B-B vs. D-B**



# Design-Build

FDOT D-B Program	SEP-14	CDOT 1st D-B	D-B Final Rule	T-REX	EDC	CDOT PDSM
1987	1990	1999	2002	2008	2012	2012

Timeline of D-B Milestones: FHWA and CDOT





# Existing Literature

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Only 4 of 8 comparing D-B-B to D-B  
find D-B with lower cost growth

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# Research Question

How does Colorado's project performance compare across delivery methods and over time?

## Project Performance via Cost Growth

$$\text{Cost Growth (\%)} = \frac{\text{Contract Final Cost} - \text{Award Value}}{\text{Contract Final Cost}} * 100$$



# Paper Findings

## Finding 1: Cost Growth Comparison

Contract Type	N	Cost Growth	P-value
D-B-B	734	-8.3%	0.81
D-B	21	-21.5%	

No Statistically  
Significant Difference





# Paper Findings

**Finding 2: Cost Growth Comparison Over Time**

	2008-2012			2013-2015		
Contract Type	n	Mean	P-Value	n	Mean	P-Value
D-B-B	322	3.6%	0.1075	412	-17.7%	0.7341
D-B	8	14.3%		13	-43.5%	

No Statistically  
Significant Difference



# Paper Findings

## 1. D-B-B vs. D-B Cost Growth:

- No Stat. Finding

## 2. D-B-B vs. D-B Cost Growth Over Time:

- No Stat. Finding

## 3. D-B-B and D-B Mean Cost Growth Per Year (2008 – 2016):

- No trends of better or worse

## 4. CDOT Uses D-B for Approximately 3% of their projects



# Discussion

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    - Schedule Acceleration
    - Cost Savings
    - Constructability/Innovation
    - Cost/Schedule Certainty



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- FROM AGENCY MANUALS:
  - Schedule Acceleration
  - Innovation
  - Risk Assessment/Sharing of Risk
  - Project Cost



# Future Work

1. Usage of historical data to create time estimation models
  1. Multiple Linear Regression Models
  2. Machine Learning Prediction Models



**THANK YOU!**

**QUESTIONS?**