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# NEWS RELEASE

## Transit Center Closed during Crisis Response Training Exercise on May 24<sup>th</sup>

**Durango, CO:** The City of Durango will be conducting a functional crisis response training exercise on Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at the Transit Center. Emergency responders from the City of Durango Police Department and numerous agencies will be responding to an active threat scenario at the Transit Center, located at 250 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street. The Transit Center will be closed to the public from 7:00 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m.

The 7:00 a.m. departures from the Transit Center will run as scheduled. As part of the training exercise, Transit service will be disrupted from 7:15 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m.; Transit riders should plan for delays during this time. Stops will be serviced on one hour headways during the exercise. Transfers that occur at the Transit Center will take place at the City Operations Center, 105 Sawyer Drive in BODO Park; this includes Road Runner services, loop and trolley services. Normal Transit service will resume at approximately 1:00 p.m. from the Transit Center. Transit riders can call 970-259-5438 for Transit schedule/route information during the exercise.

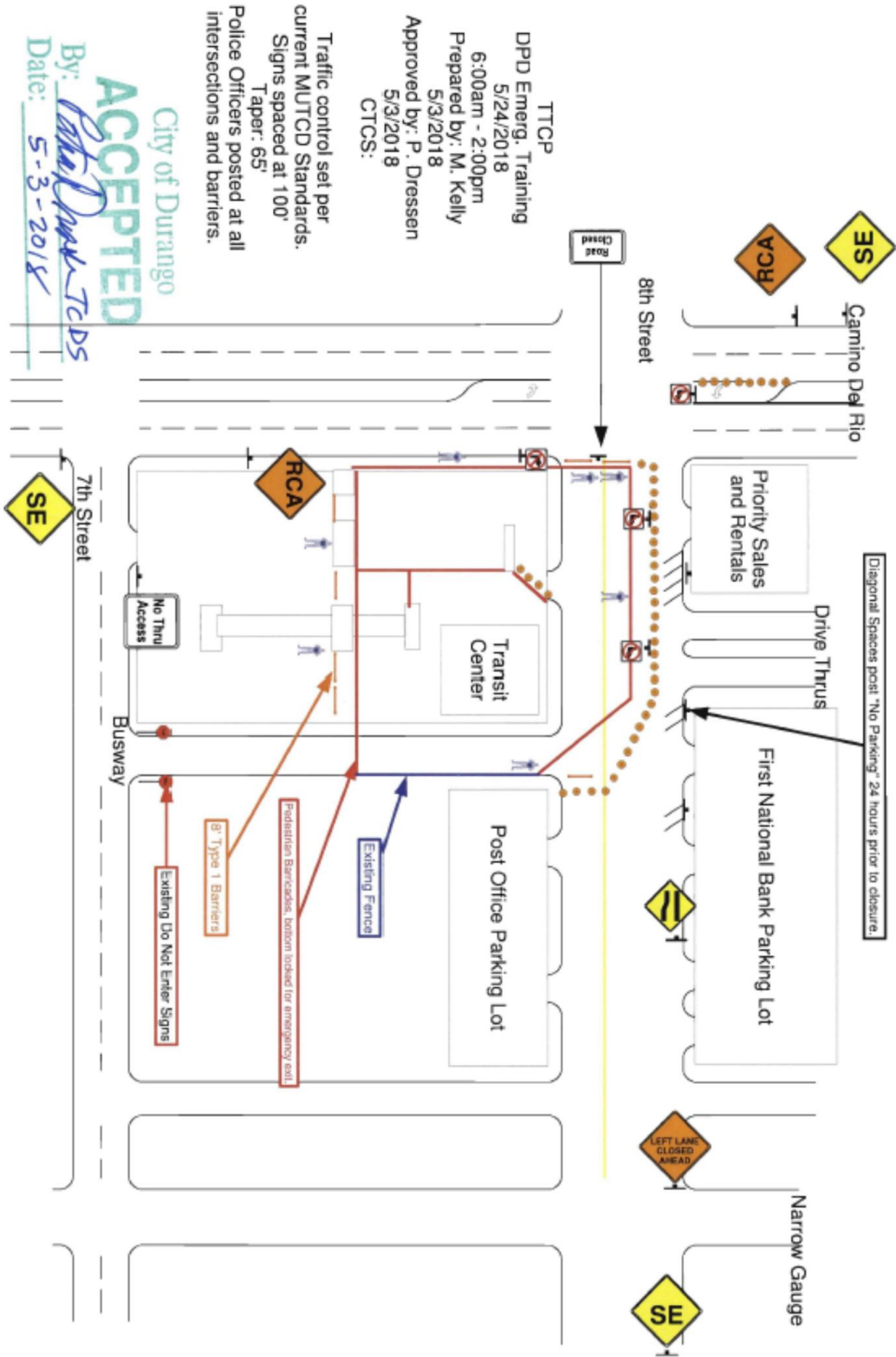
Temporary traffic detours can be expected in the area around the Transit Center during the exercise. The eastbound lane of 8<sup>th</sup> Street between Highway 160/Camino Del Rio and the Transit Center busway will be closed. Turn movements onto 8<sup>th</sup> Street from Highway 160/Camino Del Rio will be detoured. The westbound lane of 8<sup>th</sup> Street will remain open. For further details, reference the traffic control plan included at the end of this release.

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The functional training exercise is designed to test the City's Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) for the Transit Center, with the goal of ensuring the continuous performance of the City's essential functions and operations during an emergency. Performing a COOP mobilization is a complex event that requires detailed planning. To ensure an effective exercise, subject matter experts and local representatives have taken part in the planning process and will take part in conducting and evaluating the exercise.

Community members are encouraged to sign up for CodeRed, an emergency notification system. To enroll, visit [DurangoGov.org/CodeRed](http://DurangoGov.org/CodeRed).

Enclosure: Traffic Control Plan



Easy Street Draw TTCP and Barricade Map Scale: 1 in = 46.25 ft