

# Colorado Enterprise Zone Program



**The Colorado Enterprise Zone (EZ) Program** is designed to promote a business-friendly environment by offering state income tax credits. Taxpayers investing in Enterprise Zones can earn a credit on their Colorado income tax by planning and executing specific economic development activities. Some of these credits can be carried over for up to 5 years in certain cases.

## Enterprise Tax Credits May Include:

**Investment Tax Credit:** Providing businesses a tax credit of 3% for equipment purchases.

**New Employee Credit:** A tax credit offering businesses \$1,100 per new job created.

**Health Insurance:** Offers businesses \$1,000 per insured job. Available for the first two years in a State Enterprise Zone.

**Job Training:** Companies implementing a qualified job-training program for their employees may claim an income tax credit of 12% of their eligible training costs.

**Research and Development Tax Credit:** A tax credit of up to 3% for businesses, depending on the increase of a company's research and development expenditures within an Enterprise Zone during the previous two income tax years.

**Commercial Vehicle Investment Tax Credit:** Offers businesses a state income tax credit of up to 1.5% on commercial trucks, truck tractors, tractors, or semitrailers, as well as associated parts.

**Vacant Building Rehab:** Allows owners or tenants of a building that is located in an Enterprise Zone, is at least 20 years old, and has been completely vacant for at least two years to claim a tax credit of 25% of the cost (up to \$50,000) for rehabilitating the building for commercial use.

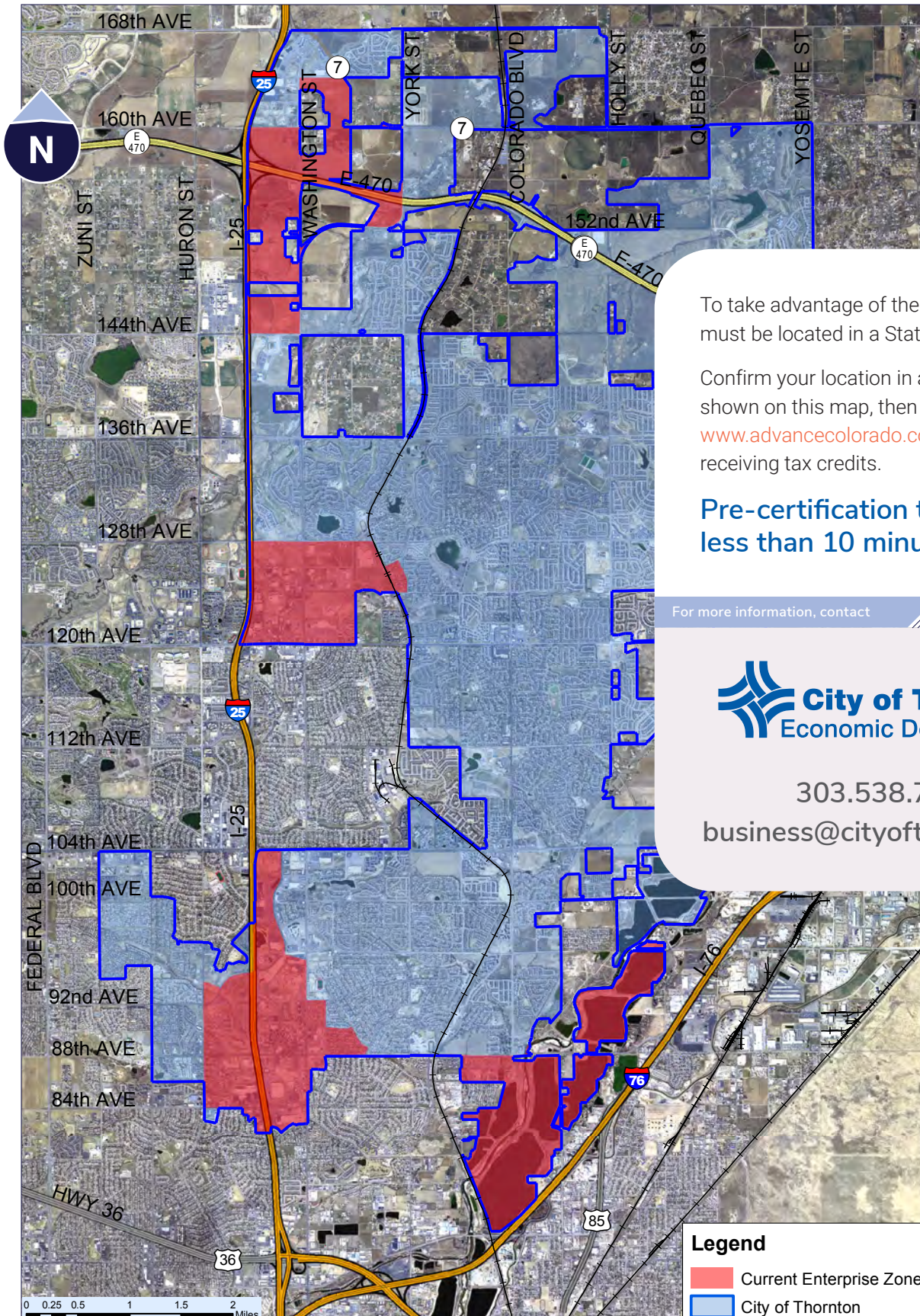
**Manufacturing/Mining Sales and Use Tax Exemption:** A tax credit that expands on the Sales and Use Tax exemption offered by the State.



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## Thornton Enterprise Zone SHOWN IN RED



To take advantage of these credits you must be located in a State Enterprise Zone.

Confirm your location in an Enterprise Zone shown on this map, then pre-certify at [www.advancecolorado.com/ez](http://www.advancecolorado.com/ez) to begin receiving tax credits.

**Pre-certification takes less than 10 minutes!**

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