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Sun River Bridge Replacement Project

Project Information

Project Number:

MT FLAP BOR 2980(1)

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Project Partners:

Bureau of Reclamation

Bureau of Land Management

U.S. Forest Service

Greenfields Irrigation District

Contractor:

Hamilton Construction Co.

2213 South F Street

Springfield, OR 97477

Notice to Proceed:

01/22/2025

Fixed Completion Date:

10/31/2026

Project Description:

This project includes the construction of a new 462 ft long, single lane bridge, the creation of 18 stations of new roadway alignment, the removal of the existing bridge, and the obliteration of the existing roadway approaches.

Project Staff:

Matt Poppe, PE

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Current Construction Activities

July 3, 2025

Hamilton Construction recently completed the temporary work bridge and is preparing to install earth retaining walls on the east side of the Sun River and construct two drilled shafts for the permanent bridge.

Upcoming Construction Activities

The contractor will construct two 10-foot diameter drilled shafts in preparation for the construction of the columns, which will support the bridge. The drilled shaft work will include drilling, excavation, placement of reinforcing steel and concrete. Simultaneously, a Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) Wall will be installed on the east side of the Sun River, followed by installation of the east bridge abutment atop the completed wall.



Abutment 4 MSE Wall Construction Area

Work Schedule:

Monday- Saturday: 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

Delays and Closures: (Thank you for your patience)

Possible minor traffic delays for work occurring near the new road alignment with road closures of up to 20 minutes.



Between 6/15/25 and 11/15/25 the construction zone will be extremely active and dangerous for the public. PLEASE REFRAIN FROM ACCESSING THIS AREA. Walk-in access is recommended above and below the zone, with additional signed boat access a few miles below the zone.

Project Website: <https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/projects/mt/flap-bor-2980-1>



Western Federal Lands Highway Division



Temporary Work Bridge Construction

