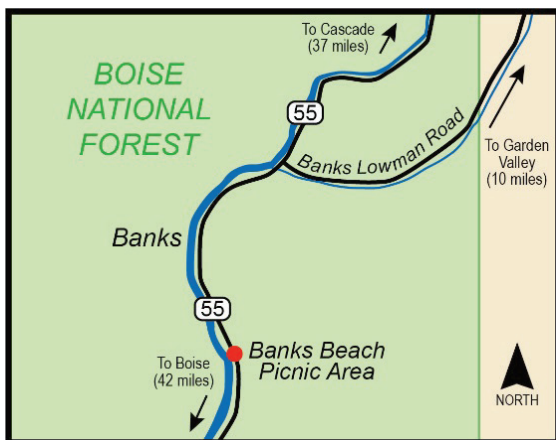


Western Federal Lands Highway Division

SH 55 Banks Beach Parking Study

The Federal Highway Administration, Western Federal Lands Highway Division (FHWA-WFLHD), in cooperation with Boise National Forest and the Idaho Transportation Department, proposes to improve safety and operations at the Banks Beach



picnic area, located at milepost (MP) 77.9 on the west side of Idaho State Highway 55 (SH 55). The picnic area, located approximately 1.0 mile south of the intersection of SH 55 and Banks Lowman Road, is a popular day-use area for recreating beside the Payette River. Currently, users parallel park next to the highway. Heavy traffic in the area is exacerbated by this recreational use, and multiple accidents have occurred near the site.

Parking demand exceeds capacity in peak summer months, when visitors park at other pullouts to the north and south or at unestablished parking locations nearby. Preliminary alternatives being considered to address safety and operational concerns at the site include:

- Separated parking area on the west side of SH 55
- Separated parking area on the east side of SH 55 (with pedestrian underpass)
- Separated parking areas on both sides of SH 55 (with pedestrian underpass)



See the project web site for project updates and more information (or scan the QR code with your smartphone, below):
<https://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/id/banks-beach/>

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