MANY GLACIER ROAD

Construction Activities & Upcoming Work

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Project Description:

This project is being administered by the Federal Highway Administration Western Federal Lands Highway Division, in partnership with the Blackfeet Nation and Glacier National Park. The project will rehabilitate approximately 12 miles of Many Glacier Road from Many Glacier Hotel Parking Area inside Glacier National Park to the intersection in Babb, MT on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation. In general, the project will closely follow the existing horizontal and vertical alignments of Many Glacier Road and reconstruction will provide a consistent 22 foot-wide paved surface. This project includes improved base material beneath the roadway, installing new asphalt concrete pavement surfacing, and replacing failed, undersized, or otherwise deficient culverts. The project also contains masonry and minor bridge work within Glacier National Park and turnout and parking area reconstructions throughout the project limits.



Surface Conditions:

The current road conditions on the Reservation consist of graded asphalt millings. The current road conditions in the Park consist of graded gravel/milling surface up to the Entrance Station. Past the Entrance Station, there is pavement with occasional asphalt patches where culverts or sub-excavations have been installed. The road conditions vary from snow-covered and icy to clear, depending on the weather.



Current and Upcoming Work:

Work has begun within Glacier National Park. Snow removal has been the primary focus at the Many Glacier Hotel. Upon adequately clearing the surface, work on placing base course material to prepare for paving will pick back up from where it was left last season. At the Entrance Station, the current focus is on relocating utilities and milling the existing asphalt.



As for the Reservation portion of the project, all culverts crossing Many Glacier Road have been installed. Subexcavation work will continue, and installation of culverts at approaches and driveways will begin. Construction of an MSE retaining wall is also set to commence in the next two weeks.

Traffic Delays:

Many Glacier Road is currently closed to public traffic until May 28th, 2021. Construction continues and will provide access for Glacier National Park administrative travel and residential travel. Windows of 7am-8am, 11am-1pm, and 5pm-7pm are scheduled to allow for passage through the project with minimal delay. There will also be night closures with maximum 3 hour delays to residential and administrative traffic possible for the next month.

*The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for this project is available for viewing at the Project Office of the Contractor at the Tribe Babb Pit. See SWPPP information posted at the start of the project.

Project Website: https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/projects/mt/nps-glac-14-4

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