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:
Crews have been busy at the Many Glacier Hotel parking lot. Concrete for curb and gutter, as well as sidewalk, have been placed. Lighted bollards have also been installed. The surface is currently being prepared for paving to take place in the coming weeks. The Entrance Station area is also undergoing preparation for pavement to take place following the hotel parking lot.

On the Reservation, work continues on subexcavation operations. Culverts for residential approaches are also currently being installed. An MSE retaining wall will also be installed this week. The grade at the Babb intersection will be completed in preparation for a pavement test strip next week.

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. Construction will be taking place on Saturdays and Sundays with minimal delay to traffic. 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
The Many Glacier Road Parking Lot Prepping for Pavement

Concrete Curb and Gutter is Placed at the Parking Lot

Asphalt is Milled at the Entrance Station

Culverts are Installed at Residential Approaches

Subexcavation Operations Continue