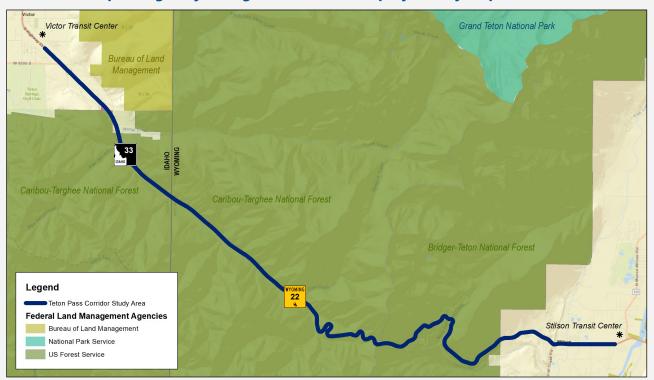


# **Teton Pass Corridor Study**

## What is the Purpose of This Study?

Situated at the southern end of the Teton Range, the Teton Pass Highway offers a critical connection for commuters and recreationists traveling from Victor, Idaho and Jackson, Wyoming. The route is characterized by steep mountainous topography and experiences severe weather conditions in the winter months, which requires constant avalanche monitoring and road maintenance by the Wyoming Department of Transportation. In recent years, the region has experienced significant growth, both in the number of new residents and in the amount of tourists visiting throughout the year. The increase in traffic volumes and recreation uses along the corridor has led to safety, congestion, and environmental resource concerns. The purpose of the Teton Pass Corridor Study is to assess existing and potential future conditions of the corridor and identify a range of feasible transportation improvement options that can be advanced by local, state, and federal partners as additional funding becomes available. For more information about this planning effort, please visit the project website:

https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/projects/wy/flap-dot-22-1



## **Planning Process: Key Tasks**

#### **Existing Conditions Assessment**

- Describe the current conditions and trends occurring n the Teton Pass Corridor using existing data
- Review prior plans and studies related to the corridor study area

#### **Transportation Needs Identification**

• Define unmet transportation needs using qualitative and quantitative inputs

### **Develop and Analyze Range of Improvement Options and Best Practices**

- Using information gathered in prior tasks, develop a range of transportation improvement options
- Identify related case studies and best management practices that are applicable to the Teton Pass

#### **Teton Pass Corridor Study Draft and Final Report**

- Compile the data, analysis, and findings of the prior tasks into a draft Corridor Study Report
- Public review and comment of draft Study Report

## **How Can You Participate?**

The Teton Pass Corridor Study's anticipated timeline is approximately 12 months (September 2020 through September 2021), with engagement opportunities occurring throughout the duration of the planning process. A virtual public meeting will be hosted by the project team on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 via Zoom to provide background on the study effort and answer any questions you may have about the planning process. Additional public meetings will be held at key milestones, be sure to check the <u>project website</u> to stay up-to-date on ways to engage.

