

My name is Dan Gravage, I live in Livingston, and I've worked for Montana Department of Transportation since 1980. My title is, Bridge Inspection Coordinator. So, obviously I am a bridge inspector and I work out of the Butte district.

I chose to work at MDT because I had some survey experience and of course that is outdoor work which we all love and I've loved it ever since. A typical day, well we show up for work at 6 a.m. and we'll work pretty late some days. Then we'll make a plan where we want to travel, what part of the bridges are due. Every bridge has a due date of it's next inspection which is a two year cycle. Originally I went to college for art and design which that helped a little bit in the drafting of surveying stuff that we did. My favorite thing about bridge inspection is finding a bridge that has no problems and continues to have no problems. Tells me that they were built properly with quality and care. The bridges and the roadways are the arteries of commerce really and so we have to pay close attention making sure nothing is going wrong ever and when it does go wrong we want to make sure it gets fixed fast and efficiently.