

Frequently Asked Questions

What improvements are planned for this project?

The Exposition Drive (Main Street) & 1st Avenue North project will enhance safety, and improve bicycle and pedestrian connectivity, vehicle capacity, freight, stormwater drainage, and pavement conditions within the project area. Project components include:

- New sidewalk and shared-use path connections on Main Street and 1st Avenue North, including a connection to the Jim Dutcher Trail.
- Converting the westbound right turn-lane at the Main Street and 1st Avenue North intersection to free-running movement.
- Adding a fourth northbound travel lane on Main Street from 1st Avenue North to 4th Avenue North.
- Installing raised medians on sections of 1st Avenue North.
- Improving lighting on Main Street and 1st Avenue North.
- Improving intersection layouts to accommodate freight movements.
- Improving storm-drain system to address flooding and drainage issues.
- Re-constructing roadways to improve pavement conditions.



Are there other active MDT projects in this area?

Active MDT projects located near the Exposition Drive and 1st Avenue North intersection are listed below.

- 1st Avenue North (Division Street to 9th Street)
- Airport Road and Main Street Intersection
- Lockwood Interchange Reconstruction

Please visit MDT's Active Projects web page for additional information:

<https://www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/active-projects.aspx>

Who is involved in this project's development?

Project development has and will continue to include in the following agencies and community groups: MDT (leading the project), City of Billings, Yellowstone County, MetraPark, East Billings Urban Renewal District (EBURD), and property and business owners within and near the project area.

When will this project be constructed?

Construction is anticipated to begin in 2027. This timeline is subject to change based on funding availability, design completion, the right-of-way acquisition process, and other unforeseen factors.

How can I get involved?

Please reach out to the MDT or Consultant Project Manager if you have any questions or comments about the project. Their contact information is shown below:

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There are three public information meetings anticipated in 2025 and 2026. These meetings will include opportunities to engage with the project team in virtual and in-person settings. The project team will also be holding meetings with property and business owners and other small groups as part of the design and right-of-way phases of the project.