

OPEN HOUSE



PROJECT OVERVIEW



Through *Huntley Area Projects*, the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) plans to replace the deteriorating bridge over Twelve Mile Creek and make necessary roadway and safety improvements along Old Highway 312 (HWY 312). The new bridge will provide capacity for current and future traffic needs, and the roadway improvements will help address safety concerns.

The proposed project will be completed in two phases:

- 1 Phase 1 (anticipated in 2027):**
West of Huntley and Twelve Mile Creek bridge
- 2 Phase 2 (anticipated in 2028):**
East of Huntley



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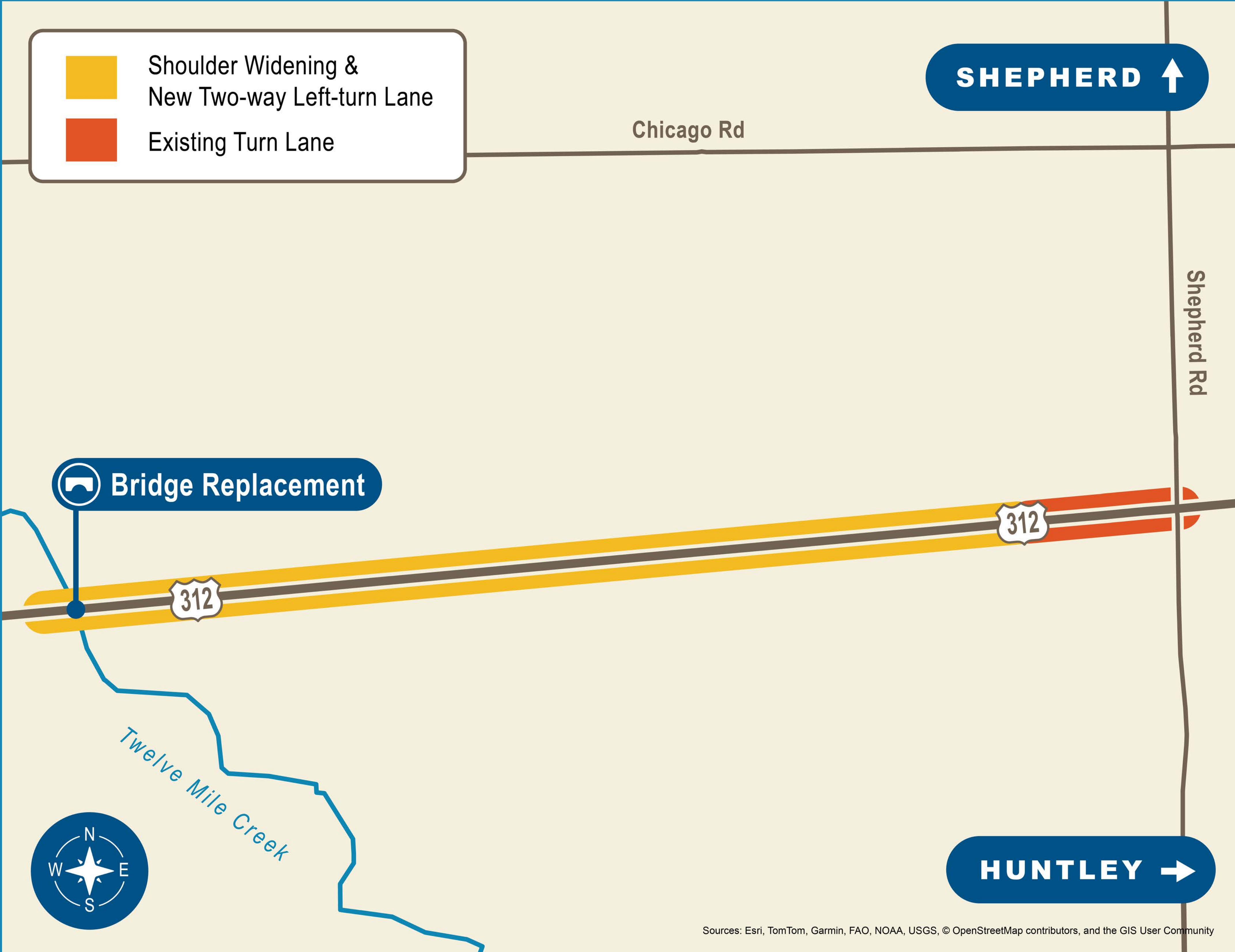
PHASE 1 IMPROVEMENTS



**Construction
anticipated in 2027**

Proposed Improvements:

- Replace the Twelve Mile Creek bridge
- Construct a two-way left turn lane on HWY 312 and widen shoulders between the Twelve Mile Creek bridge and the existing turn lane at Shepherd Road
- Resurface the existing road to blend in with the new turn lane and wider shoulders
- Replace culverts
- Apply a seal and cover (chip seal) to the roadway
- Install new signage, pavement markings, and shoulder rumble strips



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PHASE 2 IMPROVEMENTS



Construction anticipated in 2028

Phase 2 includes roadway improvements from the east end of the Yellowstone River bridge to the intersection with North 8th Road.

Proposed Improvements:

- Widen roadway shoulders and flatten slopes
- Resurface the existing road to tie into the new improvements
- Install new shoulder and centerline rumble strips*

**Design is still in progress, proposed improvements may change as the project develops.*



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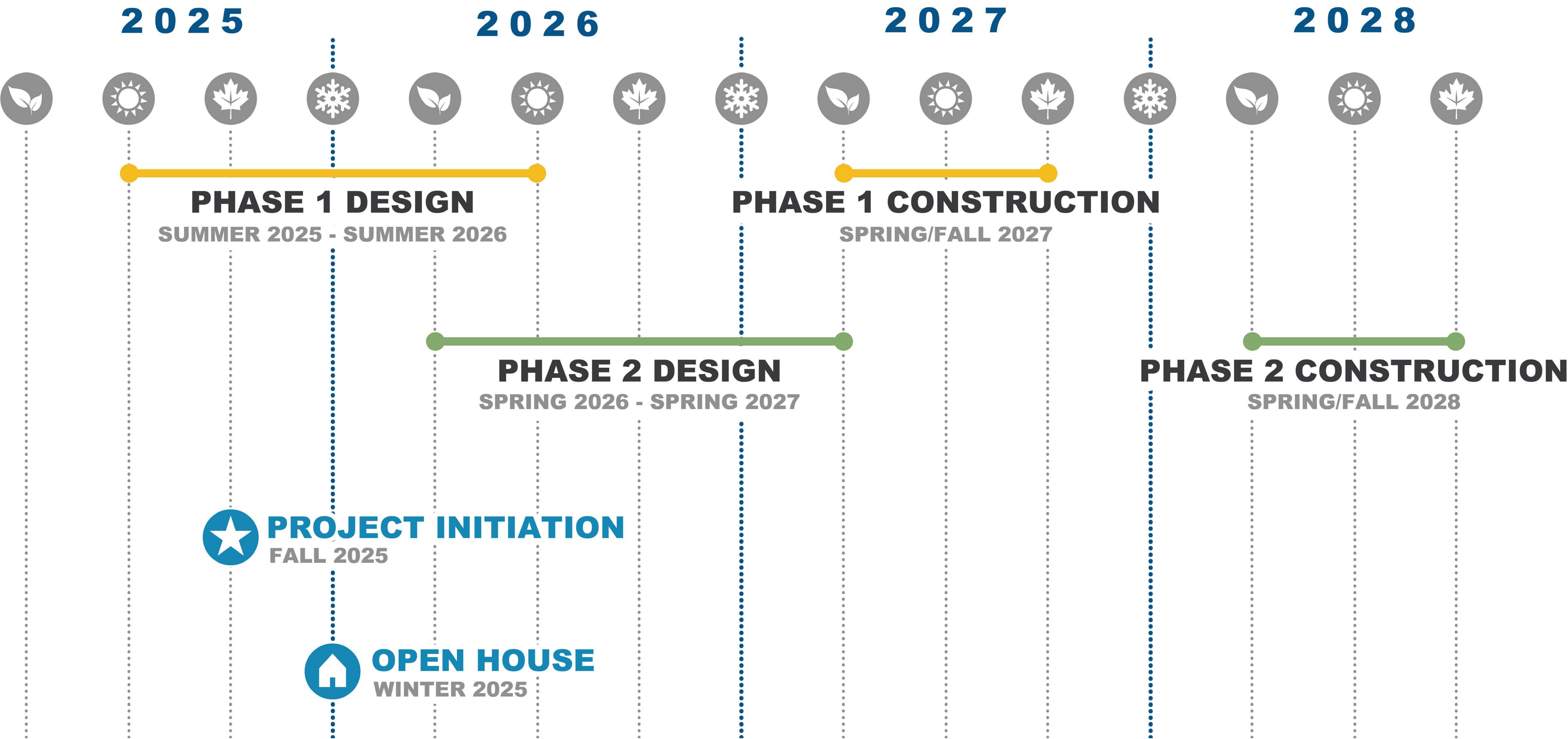


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PROJECT TIMELINE



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



What is the purpose of this project?

The purpose of *Huntley Area Projects* is to enhance safety features and provide capacity for current and future traffic needs on HWY 312, near Huntley. The deteriorating Twelve Mile Creek bridge will be replaced with a wider, more durable structure that meets modern design standards and the corresponding roadway improvements to the east and west of Huntley will help ease traffic congestion and address safety concerns. These roadway improvements include wider shoulders, new rumble strips and signage, a new two-way left-turn lane between the Twelve Mile Creek bridge and Shepherd Road, and other minor modifications to transition the improvements to the existing roadway.



What is the project timeline?

Huntley Area Projects is currently in the design phase.

- **Phase 1** is expected to open for contractor bids in early 2027, with construction anticipated later that year.
- **Phase 2** construction is anticipated the following season, in 2028.



How is this project being funded?

The Twelve Mile Creek bridge replacement is being funded through the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program Bridge (STPB). The remaining improvements are being funded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), a federal aid program intended to help reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries on public roads.



Does this project include improvements to the Yellowstone River Bridge on HWY 312?

Huntley Area Projects doesn't include improvements to the Yellowstone River Bridge. However, there are tentative plans to reconstruct the bridge in the future as part of a separate project.



How will construction impact traffic?

During Phase 1 construction, a detour is anticipated while the Twelve Mile Creek bridge is being replaced. Detour information and other traffic control details will be posted on the project website and distributed via email prior to construction.



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PHASE 1 3D RENDERING



Looking east toward Shepherd Road, this image shows proposed roadway improvements along HWY 312, between the east end of the Twelve Mile Creek bridge and Shepherd Road.

This image is for visualization purposes only. Design configurations are subject to change as the project progresses.



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TWELVE MILE CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT



Many of the piles supporting the bridge are bent and corroded.



A close-up of bent bridge piles.



Looking east toward Huntley, the bridge deck shows signs of aging.



Many of the girders supporting the bridge substructure are cracked and decaying.



Looking south from the creek embankment, a view of the aging bridge structure.



The bridge deck surface is cracked and deteriorating.

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