



VISION ZERO
zero deaths - zero serious injuries
MONTANA DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is proposing to repair bridges and replace some bridges with culverts on Montana 21 between Simms and Augusta. Guardrail upgrades, improved clear recovery areas and wider bridge decks will improve safety and reduce long-term maintenance.

HOW DOES THIS AFFECT ME?

Due to a flood event on June 19th, 2018, the support piling washed out and forced the closure of the bridge over Elk Creek Overflow and the main highway between Augusta and Simms. In order to expedite the re-opening of the roadway, the planned project has been split into three projects.

The first is a temporary repair to replace the Elk Creek Overflow Bridge with three 7' diameter culverts, repair the pavement and slopes, and open the road to traffic.

ELK CREEK OVERFLOW REPAIRS



ELK CREEK OVERFLOW MP 0.2



CONSTRUCTION FAQs

MDT and the resource agencies have been working on the necessary permits and plans for the temporary repair with culverts. **We are targeting July 12th for advertisement, July 19th for Letting and July 20th for Award of the project. An early Notice to Proceed and a tight schedule for construction should have the road open by mid-August.**

New bridges will be designed to replace the Elk Creek Overflow Bridge and two additional bridges in the vicinity (Elk Creek and Hogan Slough) that were impacted by the flooding. They are expected to be under construction in 2019. The schedule and work may change depending on project development.

The final phase will include repair, widening, overlay, and guardrail on the remaining structures in the corridor.



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MDT's mission is to serve the public a transportation system and services that emphasizes quality, safety, cost effectiveness, economic vitality, and sensitivity to the environment.

MDT Wants Your Comments!

HOW CAN I STAY INFORMED?

Refer to the website for upcoming public involvement notices as they become available. Notices will also be distributed to those on the project's mailing list. MDT encourages members of the public to join the project's mailing list by submitting contact information to Christie McOmber via email or by submitting a comment using the online comment form: www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/comment_form.shtml Note that comments are for the MT 21 BRIDGES (SIMMS – AUGUSTA) project.

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