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Montana Department of Transportation Schedules Virtual Public Informational Meeting to Discuss West Reserve Drive Corridor Planning Study

Kalispell — The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is conducting an informational meeting to discuss the West Reserve Drive Corridor Planning Study. The study area includes West Reserve Drive, in Kalispell, Montana, from US 93 to US 2, and extending north from West Reserve Drive approximately a half-mile on Whitefish Stage Road.

West Reserve Drive Corridor Planning Study
Virtual Public Meeting
March 17, 2021
11:00 am or 5:30 pm
Registration is required. Register at:
https://www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/WestReserve/

The purpose of the study is to develop a comprehensive long-range plan for managing the corridor and determining what, if anything, can be done to improve the corridor based on needs, public and agency input, and financial feasibility. It will be a collaborative process with local jurisdictions, resource agencies, MDT, FHWA, and the public to identify transportation needs and potential solutions given environmental and funding constraints.

Public participation is a very important part of the process, and the public is encouraged to attend. Comments, questions or concerns can be directed to Public Involvement Manager Lisa Olmsted at 222 North 32nd Street #7000, Billings, MT 59101; by email to lolmsted@dowl.com@dowl.com; or online at: **http://www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/WestReserve/** (please note that comments are for the West Reserve Drive Corridor Planning Study).

MDT is using virtual meetings rather than in-person meetings due to concerns about community health and safety during COVID-19. MDT, together with its construction contracting partners, is taking the COVID-19 pandemic very seriously. Construction projects on Montana's roads and bridges are considered an "essential" operation and will move forward as scheduled in 2020. For more information visit https://covid19.mt.gov/.

The Department of Transportation will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this virtual public meeting or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. If you require an accommodation, contact the Department of Transportation no later than March 10, 2021, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Matt Maze, Office of Civil

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