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## **Project Number:**

MT PRA GLAC 10(45)

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# **Project Partners:**

Glacier National Park

### **Contractor:**

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# **Notice to Proceed:**

June 10, 2022

# **Fixed Completion Date:**

**TBD 2024** 



Federal Highway Administration

# Rehab 9.3 miles of GTSR and Replace Bridge over McDonald Creek Construction Activities & Upcoming Work

### **Project Description:**

This project is being administered by the Federal Highway Administration's Western Federal Lands Highway Division, in partnership with Glacier National Park. The project will replace the current two span Upper McDonald Creek Bridge with a clear span bridge. The project also includes curve widening, milling, and repaving the 9.3 miles of the Going-to-the-Sun Road (GTSR) from Apgar to Upper McDonald along with installing conduit for future fiber lines from Grinnell Drive to Apgar and Apgar to the new Camas Entrance Station.



#### **Surface Conditions:**

Gravel and milled surfaces expected in the first four miles of the road starting at Apgar. Existing manholes will be either lowered or material ramping up to them. All turnouts will be closed for public use. Motorcycles and Bikes use extreme caution. Where the road has not been milled will be continued pavement with a strip of pavement of each lane on the GTSR up to Lake McDonald Lodge. Remaining surface to also include Upper McDonald Road consist of asphalt pavement.



## **Current and Upcoming Work:**

Upper McDonald Bridge—The contractor is currently working on installing the piles for the working bridge. Once the piles are installed, the working bridge will be installed and the contractor will proceed with installation of the permanent piles for the new bridge. The 250 ton crane will be erected in the upcoming weeks.

GTSR—The contractor has milled roughly four miles of both lanes of the GTSR starting at the foot of Lake McDonald Lake. This operation will continue through the summer along with Full Depth Reclamation (FDR) and shoulder widening. The contractor will also start installing conduit starting at Grinnell Drive working toward Appar starting in the next couple weeks.



### Traffic Delays:

The GTSR will be open to Lake McDonald Lodge starting May 5th. Anticipate 30 minute delays on sections open to the general public. A full public access closure at North McDonald Road including hikers and bikers will remain for the rest of the season.

\*The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for this project is available for viewing at the Project Office of the Contractor at the West Ballfield. See SWPPP information posted at the Construction Info Turnout past the West Entrance Station.

Project Website: Rehabilitate Final 9.3 miles of the Going-to-the-Sun Road & Replace Bridge

**Western Federal Lands Highway Division** 

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440 ton Crane setup on pad setting up for pile driving operations.

440 ton Crane lifting timber from pile template





Milling existing asphalt on the Going to the Sun Road.