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**Project Number:**

MT FLATHEAD 486(1)

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**Project Partners:**

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**Notice to Proceed:**

January 03, 2023

**Fixed Completion**

**Date:**

October 26, 2023



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

**Federal Highway  
Administration**

**North Fork of the Flathead River  
Blankenship & Belton Stage Road Resurfacing**

**Project Description:**

This project is being administered by the Federal Highway Administration Western Federal Lands Highway Division, in partnership with Flathead National Forest, US Border Patrol and Flathead County. The project will provide an improved travel surface and replacement of existing culverts on sections of Belton Stage Road, Blankenship Road, and the last 5 miles of North Fork Road and Glacier Drive between Polebridge and Polebridge Ranger Station in Glacier National Park.



**Surface Conditions:**

Current road conditions consist of existing aggregate surface course.

**Current and Upcoming Work:**

Earth disturbing activities in the Belton Stage and Blankenship Road areas has begun. Work to replace existing culverts is in progress. Over the next several weeks, construction crews will finalize culvert installation, reshape the current road and place compacted recycled asphalt for final surface. Vehicles, motorcycles, and bicycles use extreme caution when traveling through these sections.



**Traffic Delays:**

Partial width closures and maximum of 30 minute delays should be anticipated when traveling within the project limits.



Full closure of the North Fork Road will begin August 6, 2023, approx. 5 miles south of the Canadian border. The North Fork Road will remain closed until completion in October 2023.

**\*The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for this project is available for viewing upon request. See SWPPP information posted at Belton Stage Rd. off Hwy 2.**

Project Website: [North Fork of the Flathead River | FHWA \(dot.gov\)](#)

**Western Federal Lands Highway Division**





**Density Tests—Pipe Culvert at Blankenship Road**

**Digging Test Pits—Whale Creek Material Source**



**Culvert Installation —Blankenship Road**