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Federal Highway Administration

Rehabilitation of 9.3 miles of Going to the Sun Road 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 multi-span McDonald Creek Bridge with a clear span bridge. The project also includes curve widening, milling, and repaving of the 9.3 miles of the Goingto-the-Sun Road (GTSR) from Apgar to North McDonald; along with installing conduit for future fiber lines from Grinnell Drive through Apgar curve; and Apgar to the new Camas Entrance Station.

Surface Conditions:

Newly paved surface starting at Apgar for roughly the first 6.8 miles. Gravel surfaces expected on the remaining 2.5 miles of road between Apgar and North McDonald Road. All turnouts in the construction zone will be closed for public use. Turnouts on the paved section of the road that do not require equipment staging are open to the public. Motorcycles and Bikes use extreme caution on areas with gravel surface.

Current and Upcoming Work:

<u>North McDonald Bridge</u> — The superstructure bolts have been fully torque tested. Any bolts that did not pass torque testing specifications will be removed and replaced in the following week. Demobilization of the cranes has been largely completed. Temporary bridge has been removed. Crane equipment will be fully demobilized by next week.

<u>GTSR</u> — Approximately 6.8 miles of full depth pavement has been placed on GTSR. A roadway maintenance and finish grading operation precede the paving operation. Paving will continue daytime operations throughout October and into November, weather permitting.

Traffic Delays:

North McDonald Road remains closed to all general vehicular and foot traffic. Anticipate up to 30 minute delays on sections open to the general public. Paving operations have been switched to days.

*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



Deconstruction of M16000 Crane Boom

Torque Testing on Girder A Splice 1





Upstream View of Bridge Superstructure

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