



YELLOWTAIL DAM AREA ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Bighorn National Recreation Area Project Updates

Project Information

Project Number:

MT BOR NPS 2021(1)

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Notice to Proceed:

04/1/2024

Fixed Completion Date:

10/2/2024

Project Description:

The project includes pavement preservation, light rehabilitation, and guardrail replacement to meet current standards on roads in the North and South units of the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area.

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Current Construction Activities:

July 26, 2024

Construction operations continue on the Yellowtail Dam Area Road Improvements Project in the Bighorn National Recreation Area. Construction this past week included Milling and Paving Operations on NPS 313 and Afterbay Road, Guardrail Installation on NPS 313, Crack Sealing on Bad Pass Road, and Pavement Markings on Dam Visitors Center, NPS Headquarters, Lower OK-A-BEH, Horseshoe Bend Marina, and Devil’s Canyon Overlook Parking Lots

Upcoming Construction Activities:

Construction operations for next week will consist of Milling and Paving Operations at Horseshoe Bend Parking Lot, Bad Pass Road Flood Repair Work, Crack Sealing on the North Unit Routes, and Pavement marking at Horseshoe Bend Parking Lot.

Image Source: RockSol Consulting for FHWA



Milling Operations on NPS 313



Paving Operations—Afterbay Road



**Horseshoe Bend Marina Parking Lot
Pavement Markings**



**Lower OK-A-Beh Parking Lot
Pavement Markings**

Work Schedule:

Monday- Friday, 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

Delays and Closures: (Please Have Patience During Construction)

Delays: Minor delays for single lane closures of up to 20 minutes for road work.

Road or Parking Area Closures: Expect single lane closures on North and South Unit routes of the Project. Full Closure to Horseshoe Bend Parking Lot. Horseshoe Bend Marina Parking Lot to remain fully open.



Project Website: <https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/projects/mt/bor-nps-2021-1>

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