

# North Fork of the Flathead River

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Notice to Proceed:

January 3, 2024

Fixed Completion Date:

August 16, 2024

Project scope includes providing an improved travel surface and replacement of existing culverts on sections of Belton Stage Road, Blankenship Road, the last 5 miles of North Fork Road, and Glacier Drive between Polebridge and the Polebridge Ranger Station in Glacier National Park.



## Construction Highlights

**Current Construction Activities:**

Subgrade work, in addition to, aggregate surface course placement operations are underway on the North Fork Road portion of the project. Finish grade work was completed in the Mercantile area as well as Glacier Drive up to the north entrance of Glacier National Park. Recycled aggregate base work on Belton Stage and Blankenship Roads of the project is now complete.

**Upcoming Construction Activities:**

North Fork crews will continue working on subgrade, slopes, drainage ditches, as well as, placement of the aggregate surface course. Glacier Drive crew operations will include pavement markings, turf establishment, and punch list items.



Subgrade Operations  
on North Fork Road



Surface Aggregate Placement  
on North Fork Road

**Work Schedule:**

Polebridge: 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM      North Fork: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

**Delays and Closures:** *(Please Be Patient During Construction)*

Minor delays for single lane closures of up to 30 minutes for road work. Follow signage and traffic control for pedestrian crossing and parking near the Polebridge Mercantile.

**Road or Parking Area Closures:** North Fork Road is closed up until October. The road is still accessible to residents, guests in surrounding cabins, County and Federal Employee traffic.



**Project Website:** [North Fork of the Flathead River; Blankenship and Belton Stage Rd. Resurfacing](#)

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