

CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

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McKenzie Highway

This being the first newsletter, a little background is in order. This season of construction on highway 242 covers road sub-excavation and backfill, culverts and underdrain, cut slope repair and gabion baskets, rock embankment, milling, asphalt patching, turnout and main road asphalt pavement, signing and pavement markings. The Road construction starts close to the snow gate at approximately mile post 62 and will end at Dee Wright Observatory around mile post 76.5.

This project was designed by David Evans and Associates Inc. for Western Federal Lands Highway Division (WFLHD) of the Federal Highway Administration. WFLHD will be conducting the construction contract administration of this project. The construction Contractor is Eugene Sand Construction, Inc. My name is Todd Hashemi and I am the Project Engineer.

The maintenance crew of Oregon Department of Transportation has been working hard to make this road accessible to the contractor and the snow has been removed up to mile post 75. There is a lot of snow on the construction site. Depending on the rate that the snow melts, the actual construction work will start either after Memorial Day or the first Monday in June. The project has been scheduled to be completed by August 17th.

Highway 242 will be closed to the public traffic during the construction and has been scheduled to be opened on August 15th. Once the snow gate at the east end is open, this portion of Hwy 242 up to Dee Wright Observatory will be open to public traffic until July 6th. From July 6th through August 15th this portion will also be closed to the Public.

The point of this newsletter is to let you know what is planned starting May 18th and what impact the project will have on travelers. If you have any comments or concerns related to the construction, please forward these to the listed Email address or call our office here in McKenzie Bridge 541-822-9822. If you would like this Newsletter Emailed to you, just let us know.

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