

## **OR PFH (22-16) MCKENZIE HIGHWAY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT DTFH70-08-C-00012**

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### **Status Report for the week ending June 27, 2008**

Summer is finally here in Willamette National Forest and construction is in full swing on the Old McKenzie Highway. The first order of business this week for the contractor was to complete the temporary access bridge at mile post 66.69. This bridge is needed to transport equipment 2 miles north east to the next bridge site at mile post 68.37. The temporary bridge was completed on Monday of this week (photograph 1, shows the deck being placed on the temporary bridge).

Now all the material, required to build the new bridge at Mile Post 68.37, was in place. But first, the old bridge (photograph 2 existing bridge) had to be removed. The old bridge salvaged material was stockpiled to one side of the work site. Then the Komatsu track hoe went to work excavating for the concrete abutment footings as shown in photograph 3.

A watchman (Rod), who can be identified by his orange/yellow safety vest, has been posted at the Alder Springs snow gate (Mile Post 65.9) on the Old McKenzie Highway (OR 242). He will advise the traveling public that there is no access, until further notice, east beyond this point for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists.

### **Construction Activities for the week ending July 3, 2008**

CP Construction will concentrate their efforts, for the week ending on July 3, by installing the footing forms and placing/tying the reinforcing steel for the abutments at the new bridge site.

Temporary construction signs have been placed west of the bridge project to reinforce the message on the changeable message signs that are located on Highway 126, east and west of the intersection at Highway 242/Highway 126.

### **Driving Conditions**

The west end of Highway 242 (Old McKenzie Highway) is closed at Mile Post 65.9, the Alder Springs snow gate. Temporary construction signs (orange and black signs) indicate the closure and the distance (black and white signs) to the closure.

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Pictures from June 27, 2008

Contractor and inspector monitor placement of temporary access bridge.



Old bridge at milepost 68.37 prior to removal.



Contractor inspecting the excavated grade after removal of the old bridge

