

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

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Status Report for the week ending July 3, 2008

This week's activities started with excavating, forming and finally the placement of the reinforcing steel for bridge abutment footings. The upcoming 4th of July long weekend has the contractor (CP Construction) finishing the work week on Thursday with a concrete placement. The concrete was placed, at Mile Post 68.37 on Highway 242, for the bridge abutment footings. FHWA students were on site observing procedures prior and during the concrete placement. Photograph #1 shows one of the students verifying the size and spacing of the reinforcing steel. While the concrete for the footings is curing (retaining moisture in the concrete to facilitate strength and hardness) the contractor is preparing for the upcoming weeks activities.

Construction Activities for the week ending July 11, 2008

The contractor predicts to have abutments #1 and #2, for the bridge at mile post 68.37, formed up and ready to place concrete on Friday of this week.

Upcoming schedule

Delivery of the precast/prestressed concrete slabs have been tentatively scheduled for the week beginning on July 21, 2008.

Driving Conditions

Anticipate additional highway traffic for the upcoming holiday weekend. As in previous weeks the west end of Highway 242 (Old McKenzie Highway) is closed at Mile Post 65.9, the Alder Springs snow gate. A watchman will be at the Alder Springs gate advising the traveling public that there is no access eastbound beyond this point for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists.

Temporary construction signs (orange and black signs) indicate the road closure. Distances to the closure are on signs located at the 126/242 junction and at the White Branch snow gate (Mile post 61.59).

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