

2023 Bridge Replacement Projects

Frequently Asked Questions



Why

The unprecedented flooding of June 2022 destroyed both the north and south bridges over Rock Creek on East Side Road, as well as the Rock Creek bridge on Meeteetse Trail Road. Temporary bridges were placed summer of 2022 on the north end of East Side Road and at Meeteetse Trail Road. The south end of East Side Road did not receive a temporary bridge.

Where

The north end of East Side Road crosses Rock Creek approximately 4 miles south of Red Lodge. The south end of East Side Road crosses Rock Creek approximately 7 miles south of Red Lodge; both providing access to US 212. Meeteetse Trail Road crosses Rock Creek just south of the Red Lodge City limit. Private residences as well as public lands, trailheads and campgrounds are located on the east side of Rock Creek accessed by these bridges.

When

Construction work necessary to prepare the road bed for bridge installation, and then work to actually install the bridges will begin June 19, 2023, focusing first on the south crossing of East Side Road, then moving to the north East Side Road and Meeteetse Trail Road bridge prep and placement in late summer. The East Side Road and Meeteetse Trail Road bridge replacement completion is anticipated to be late fall 2023, weather and material dependent.

How

Construction crews will be working 10 hour days, 7 days a week beginning June 19, 2023. Road approach preparations at the bridge placement sites will be completed prior to setting the bridges in place. Work to prepare the road for bridge placement will begin on the south end of East Side Road. Road prep work will then transition to the north side of East Side Road and Meeteetse Trail Road later in the summer. Once road approach and other prep work is completed, bridge placement will begin; focusing first on the south side of East Side Road before moving to the north side of East Side Road and Meeteetse Trail Road.

Who

Wadsworth Brothers Construction of Draper, UT will be the primary contractor for this work contracted by Carbon County Board of Commissioners.

Info

For more information on these bridge projects, contact Carbon County Disaster & Emergency Services—Public Information Officer — publicinformation@co.carbon.mt.us / 406-426-8537