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## YELLOWSTONE NEWSLETTER

FHWA-WEST YELLOWSTONE FIELD OFFICE

### 2002 FHWA ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

**WY PRA YELL 10(13)**  
**MADISON-NORRIS**  
**10/14/02 to 10/19/02:**

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**Beginning 6 a.m. on September 30 until November 3 the road will be closed on week days from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and opened from 6 p.m. until 10 a.m. the following morning. The road will be opened on weekends. EXPECT UP TO 30 MINUTE DELAYS WHEN TRAVELLING FROM MADISON TO NORRIS DURING OPEN PERIODS.**

The Prime Contractor is **HK Contractors Inc., of Idaho Falls, ID.** The total Contract amount is \$18.6 million.

The Contract Completion Date is Sept. 2003.

The Work Consists of 15.5 K of road re-construction and 2 bridges between the Madison and Norris junction. The project is located in two segments. The first segment is between the Madison Junction and Gibbon Falls. The second segment is located between Tanker Curve and Gibbon Meadows. When traveling the route be aware of construction equipment and trucks traversing between the two segments.

We expect this year to complete the remaining earthwork and drainage. Gravel Surfacing has been placed on approximately 98% of the main road. Trucks hauling gravel and asphalt concrete are traveling from Bozeman Sand and Gravel (located near Duck Creek and near the intersection of MT Highway 287 and 191) through the West Entrance of the Park and into the project through the Madison Junction. The main road from Madison Junction to Gibbon Falls has been paved. The main road from Gibbon River Bridge #2 through the Gibbon Meadows to the end of the project has been paved. The middle section of the project from Tankers curve to Gibbon River Bridge #2, as well Terrace Springs, Tuff Cliffs, and Artist Paint Pot Parking areas remain to be paved.

Simulated Stone Masonry installation is now complete, with the staining yet to be done, at MSE Wall #1 (STA 3+000, just south of Tuff Cliffs). The curb and guardrail work is substantially complete at the Beryl Springs Bridge. Guardrail has been installed at Terrace Springs and the Beryl Springs Bridge area.

HK Contractors is completing excavation and embankment activities on the new alignment section of road (just north of Gibbon Falls to just north of Tankers Curve). Placement of gravel surfacing is now underway in this area.

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