

# Highway 35



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You may notice a large crane now at White River plus a smaller hydraulic crane. These were moved in by Cascade Bridge, the subcontractor doing all the bridges, three bridges in total. Cascade is preparing to place the concrete girders at White River which were completed by RB Johnson and now stored at McMinnville, Oregon. Another large crane will move in later, one crane for each end of those concrete girders. The schedule for setting the girders is in June.



On the Clark Newton segment of the project, Tapani Underground continues with clearing

operations. Since the road in a few locations will move from what is now the center line, it requires taking down trees some trees. In addition, some trees are being removed because they present a hazard. With disease and beetle activity, dead, ready to fall trees are tucked within the green healthy trees. These dead brittle trees have the potential of breaking and with the nothing stopping them along the roadside will likely fall towards the road. So for safety any trees that are dead, adjacent to the road and large enough to reach the road are being marked for being taken down. Most of the hazard trees will be left on the forest floor just as if they had fallen on their own.

Since we deleted the plan to build a two lane bi-pass road to reduce the forest impact in the Clark Newton section, how we get traffic through the work zone is still being hammered out. Our goal is to minimize traffic delays, provide a safe travel lane to both users of Highway 35 and construction equipment.

This week Trillium Lake access was opened to the public down to the parking lot by the dam. The campground remains closed. As last summer, this access road will be a joint use road, recreational users and construction trucks. Please drive safely and keep the speed down.

Expect some traffic control next week intermittently at White River Bridge and Green Apple Creek Bridge. And again, flaggers along the Clark Newton section for equipment working on the clearing and moving logs.

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