

Highway 35



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The photo to the left is Tapani Underground compacting structural backfill at abutment #1 of White River Bridge today. Note the wingwalls have architectural finish on the exposed side. You may see some styrofoam (white) along the top of that panel that still needs to be cleaned, finished and stained. Once the fill material is compacted and close to the level of the bridge deck the concrete approach panel can be formed and poured. The black material against the bridge end wall is a plastic sheet drain.

The lower photo shows temporary culverts being used to extend two culverts near station 254+34. This is just downhill from where most of our work stopped last year and near where Newton

Creek Crosses Highway 35. The added length will allow a roadway shift to this side in order to gain room for more concrete box construction that will replace two aging culverts.

We are working to ensure folks have a say in the closure of Forest Service Road 48 where it intersects with Highway 35. What we have learned so far from Wamic users is an extended closure would be acceptable provided Forest Road 43 remains an alternative (which it will), we provide informational signs same as last year, adding signs where the 43 Road intersects Highway 26 and have the 48 Road open for July 4th. We would also provide a public notice in the “WamPinRock News” which serves the area of Wamic. The road is currently closed due to snow. The placement of signs at OR 26 still needs review by ODOT before we can put out a closure date, but its soon.



Expect traffic control next week from 7:00am to 5:30 pm Monday through Friday at both White River for bridge work and in the Clark Newton section. Like this week there could be some Saturday work scheduled depending on progress during the week. So for now think of Monday through Friday as sure bet on finding traffic stops and Saturday a maybe. There would not be any truck traffic coming out of Tamarack using the Trillium Road after 12:00 noon on Friday.