



SANDLAKE – GALLOWAY ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

What's happening on the job?

More work on the wall, the Gabion Wall, the one near milepost 2.1. The contractor will begin excavation this week on the next segment of Gabion Wall that is closer to milepost 1.9. In order to make room for excavation along the south side some temporary road widening is scheduled along the north shoulder. The work is on a tight schedule with both walls constructed to at least one basket high prior to March 31, 2004. Being one basket high the work is then above ordinary high water in the ditch. From April 01 to July 01 work below ordinary high water is prohibited in this area. Therefore it's urgent to get this completed. Just to work this time of year is difficult. To insure the mud and mess does not get into local streams the adjacent ditch is blocked with a steel plate across the ditch, stopping all water flow from leaving our worksite. Below the plate is in place, a sediment fence that further traps any sediment, if it were to get around the steel plate (None has). The water within the worksite is being constantly pumped out onto the adjacent hay field in order to remove all the sediment before it enters back into the waterway. And before we can first pump down the ditch we check for fish and move them if we find them. To date we have not found any fish, just a beer can or two.

And remember work hours will change starting March 01. So Monday morning plan on seeing traffic control between the hours of 7:00 am to 6:00 pm.

You might notice that the majority of the workers on this job are locals. Unlike some companies that move in their own workers, Elte Inc has found talented employees from within Tillamook County, friends and acquaintances working to improve your transportation system.

*** * EXPECT 30 MINUTE DELAYS IF YOU PLAN TO TRAVEL SANDLAKE ROAD * ***