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CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT

West Fork Bitterroot River Road (along Painted Rocks Lake) MT PFH 66-1(3)

Accomplishments through October 10, 2003:

Placement of base aggregate is basically completed. The guardrail has started and is proceeding. All culverts are completed other than minor items and painting.

Future activities planned for the project:

Work will continue on approach roads and culverts. Punching of guardrail posts will also continue. Paving will start after all guardrail posts are installed, weather permitting.

Other news of note:

Pumco, Inc. current work schedule is 7:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday thru Friday, **and 7:00 am to 3:30 pm Saturday. They will be installing guardrail and other minor items of work on Columbus Day, Monday, October 13. There will be no road closures on Saturday or Columbus Day, only flaggers and pilot cars.** Work will continue through October of this year due to the new Slate Creek culvert being installed. Work is still scheduled to be completed this year.

As a reminder the road open/closure schedule is as follows:

7:00 pm to 8:00 am	Open Road
8:00 am to 10:00 am	Road Closure Permitted
10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Open Road
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Open Road
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted

During Open Road periods expect short delays for flaggers and/or pilot car. Please be watchful of the flaggers and be prepared to stop, and follow the flagger's directions and follow the pilot car for your own safety as well as the safety of the workers.

Please refer your questions, comments, or concerns to Todd Butikofer at (406) 821-9932 Drive Safe!

