

The following is the weekly road report for the week of May 21, 2017

Street and/or Lane Closures

- **1. 55th: Amber Court to Hillview-** Curb and sidewalk work is taking place. Eastbound traffic is prohibited with a detour using 57th, 56th and Ebb way
- 2. Brooks Street- Garfield to Grant-The Southgate Mall is relocating their main entrance from the present location to the intersection with Agnes. On 5/22 Knife River will begin construction work in Brooks Street for a new secondary access road to Southgate Mall and for a new intersection at Brooks St. and Mary Ave/Agnes Ave.

The anticipated construction schedule is as follows: 5/22-6/7: Close the right hand lane southbound on Brooks between S. Garfield and Agnes. Work will continue on this project through the month of June. This project will eventually require lane closures for the inside lanes, the turn lanes, and the northbound lanes of Brooks St.. Please use caution in this work area and be alert to changing conditions. As always please follow all lane restrictions, detours, and speed limits.

- **3. Orange Street at 1-90:** The major construction work is continuing on the Orange Street/I-90 roundabout. Construction of the roundabout will continue throughout the spring with a late May completion date expected. Expect significant traffic delays during peak hours. No trucks all allowed thorough this intersection. I-90 is unaffected.
- **4. Orange Street- S 1**st **West to S 6**th **W**-The City will start a repaving project. 2 way traffic will be maintained but expect lane closures and significant delays during peak hours.
- **5. Madison Street Bridge:** Work continues as the excavation and removal of old deck material in the southbound lanes is nearing completion. Once the decking is cleared, work on the bridge's steel frame will begin. Crews will also be starting the construction of the new pier structure at the southern end of the bridge.

For the duration of the second half of the project, there will be large openings due to deck removal in the southbound lanes. All pedestrians and cyclists are asked to not enter the work zone under any circumstances, day or night. Protective barriers have been installed to ensure that no debris falls from the bridge into the trail system below.

The pedestrian/bike underbridge below the Madison Street Bridge, which connects the Milwaukee river trail on the south side of the river to Ron's River Trail on the north side of the river, is now closed. The underbridge closure is in place due to safety reasons while crews remove and replace the bridge decking in the southbound lanes of the Madison Street Bridge directly above.

Pedestrians and bikers are now able to cross via the newly widened sidewalk in the northbound lanes of the Madison Street Bridge. Pedestrians and cyclists are asked to please not use the Underbridge during the closure at any time. Additional and nearby, river crossings for bicyclists and pedestrians are available at the Van Buren Walking Bridge and Higgins Ave Bridge. The underbridge will reopen with the completion of the Madison Street Bridge Rehabilitation in August of 2017.

Water buoys will be set up in the Clark Fork River below the Madison Street Bridge to direct water crafts and summertime tubers to opposite sides of the river from the hazards of falling debris from deck removal. Please be aware of safety signs at public water accesses and do not enter the blocked sections of the river at any time.

- **6. Old Highway 93 Post Siding Road to McDonald Street:** Most of the work is complete and the bridge is open. However there is still a considerable amount of landscaping to complete so there will be closures on the shoulders.
- **7. Guardsman Lane at Fort Missoula:** Will be closed and detours will be in place until further notice for Fort Missoula Regional Park construction. Access to Fort Missoula museums, agencies and businesses will be via 36th Street and Green Guidon Ave.
- **8. Broadway Woody to Orange:** Work is continuing on construction of the Stockman's Bank on this block. The southbound lane of Woody and the parking lane on Broadway and all adjacent sidewalks will be closed for the duration of this project which should be finished late this year.
- **9. East Front Street- Clay to Adams:** Front Street will be reduced to one lane for construction of the new Student Housing Project at the corner of Clay and East Front. This project also includes the closure all adjacent sidewalks and possible traffic delays for heavy truck traffic on Clay and Kiwanis Streets.
- **10. East Front Street Higgins to Pattee:** Front Street will be reduced to one lane and sidewalks will be closed for deconstruction activities at the Old Mercantile Building. This work should take approximately 2 years.

- **11. Franklin Elementary School S. 10**th **,11**th **Street W. and Grant Street:** Construction continues around Franklin School. South bound Grant Street between S. 10th and S. 11th Streets, east bound S. 10th Street & west bound S. 11th Street between Grant and Johnson Streets will be closed for an extended period of time.
- **12.** The Area Bound by 6th/Stephens/ Brooks and Crosby: A curb and sidewalk upgrade project will start in the next several weeks. Look for intermittent road closures and shoulder work.

Park & Trail Closures

- **13. Kim Williams connection trail to Canyon River Trail constructed extended:** Construction of a trail connection between the Kim Williams Trail and Canyon River Trail in East Missoula has been delayed due to unstable soil conditions.
- 14. Riverfront Trail and the Madison Street Pedestrian Under-Bridge: As of May 8th the pedestrian/bike underbridge below the Madison Street Bridge, which connects the Milwaukee river trail on the south side of the river to Ron's River Trail on the north side of the river, will be closed. The underbridge closure is in place due to safety reasons while crews remove and replace the bridge decking in the southbound lanes of the Madison Street Bridge directly above. Pedestrians and bikers will be able to cross via the newly widened sidewalk in the northbound lanes of the Madison Street Bridge. Pedestrians and cyclists are asked to please not use the underbridge during the closure at any time. The underbridge will reopen with the completion of the Madison Street Bridge Rehabilitation in August of 2017.

In addition, and for safety reasons, Frontier West will have signage in place at certain trail system access points to alert pedestrians and cyclists of small delays during excavation and new deck placement.

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