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Proposed Intersection Improvements on North 7th Ave. Bozeman

Bozeman, Montana — The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) would like to announce and invite the public to comment on a proposal to improve signal timing, update ADA sidewalk corners, and improve intersection streets at signalized intersections along N. 7th Avenue between Mendenhall and Oak Street in Bozeman.

Proposed work includes improving and updating traffic signals, upgrading intersection corners to meet ADA accessibility of curb ramps, minor shoulder widening on Oak Street and Peach Street, and installation of a left turn lane. The project will also include addition of ADA push buttons and signage and striping improvements. The purpose of the project is to improve the traffic operations along N. 7th Avenue by addressing vehicle movements and phasing on the intersecting streets.

Construction is tentatively planned for 2023 depending on completion of design and availability of funds. New right-of-way and relocation of utilities will be required. MDT staff has contacted all affected landowners prior to conducting survey work on their land. Staff will again contact landowners prior to construction regarding property acquisition and temporary construction permits.

An important part of properly planning for future projects is partnering with the community. The Montana Department of Transportation welcomes the public to provide ideas and comments on the proposed project. Comments may be submitted online at <u>http://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/comment_form.shtml</u> or in writing to Montana Department of Transportation, Butte office at PO Box 3068, Butte, MT 59702-3068. Please note that comments are for project UPN 9313000.

The public is encouraged to contact Butte District Administrator William Fogarty at (406) 494-9635 or Project Design Engineer Tyrel Murfitt at (406) 444-6227 with questions.

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