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Montana Department of Transportation to present Batavia Lane, Highway 2 West intersection alternatives

Proposed alternatives will be shared at a virtual open house

KALISPELL, Montana - (October 9, 2020) – On Wednesday, October 14, the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) will host a virtual open house to discuss the proposed alternatives for the Batavia Lane and Highway 2 West intersection. The virtual open house will be held at 9:00 am and again at 5:30 pm. Registration is required.

“We recognize that this project has a lot of moving parts and the community is passionate about possible solutions,” Montana Department of Transportation Missoula District Administrator, Bob Vosen, said. “We want people to attend, learn about the options, and take part in the conversation. Working together, our goal is to get our neighbors, kids, and friends home safely every night.”

Each intersection alternative has been developed to enhance safety and traffic operations. At this virtual open house, the project team will discuss previous outreach to the community, present the proposed alternatives and answer questions from attendees. The project team will continue to gather input on each proposed alternative prior to MDT’s selection of a final recommendation.

Once the preferred intersection alternative is identified, MDT will move forward to advance this alternative into construction. At this time, the project does not yet have a funding solution identified and the soonest the intersection would advance to construction is 2024.

Registration is required to receive access to the virtual open house. For more information, visit mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/batavia or call (406)207-4484.

Those who cannot attend an open house may still provide comments to Kristine Fife at kristine@bigskypublicrelations.com.

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the Department of Transportation no later than 5 p.m. on October 12, 2020 to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Matt Maze, Office of Civil Rights, P.O. Box 201001, Helena, Montana 59620; telephone (406) 444-5416; Montana Relay 711; facsimile (406) 444-7243; or e-mail to mmaze@mt.gov.