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Construction Progresses on Five Mile Road and Old Highway 312 Roundabout; Travelers Should Anticipate One-Lane Closures

As construction progresses on Five Mile Road and the new single-lane roundabout intersection with Old Highway 312, the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) would like to notify the public of brief traffic disruptions. The public should expect one-lane closures and brief delays while traveling Old Highway 312. The travelling public is advised to drive safely and be prepared for flaggers, workers, heavy truck traffic, equipment entering, and temporary detours.

Riverside Contracting, Inc. is currently 75% complete with the project subgrade and approximately 50% complete with the crushed aggregate surfacing on Five Mile Road. Old Highway 312 is currently being graded and the base gravel is anticipated to be completed in the coming weeks. Roundabout construction and accompanying concrete work will begin during the month of June.

Work zone safety reminder: Remember to manage the Three S's of work zone safety: speed, space, and stress. Slow down when approaching all work zones. Follow posted speed limits, especially within construction zones, and try to maintain a consistent speed with the traffic flow. Lastly, don't resume normal speed until you see roadway signs indicating it's safe to do so.

The Montana Department of Transportation together with its construction contracting partners continue to take the COVID-19 pandemic very seriously. Construction projects on Montana's roads and bridges are considered an "essential" operation and will continue moving forward as scheduled in 2020. Construction workers will continue several measures to help keep employees, contractors and the public safe during the construction season. Some of the measures include following social distancing and good hygiene guidelines, and not reporting to work if showing symptoms of illness. For more information visit https://covid19.mt.gov/

For more information on the Billings Bypass project and the specific project segments, please visit: <u>https://www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/billingsbypass/</u>.

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