

Gore Hill

INTERCHANGE

EXIT 277

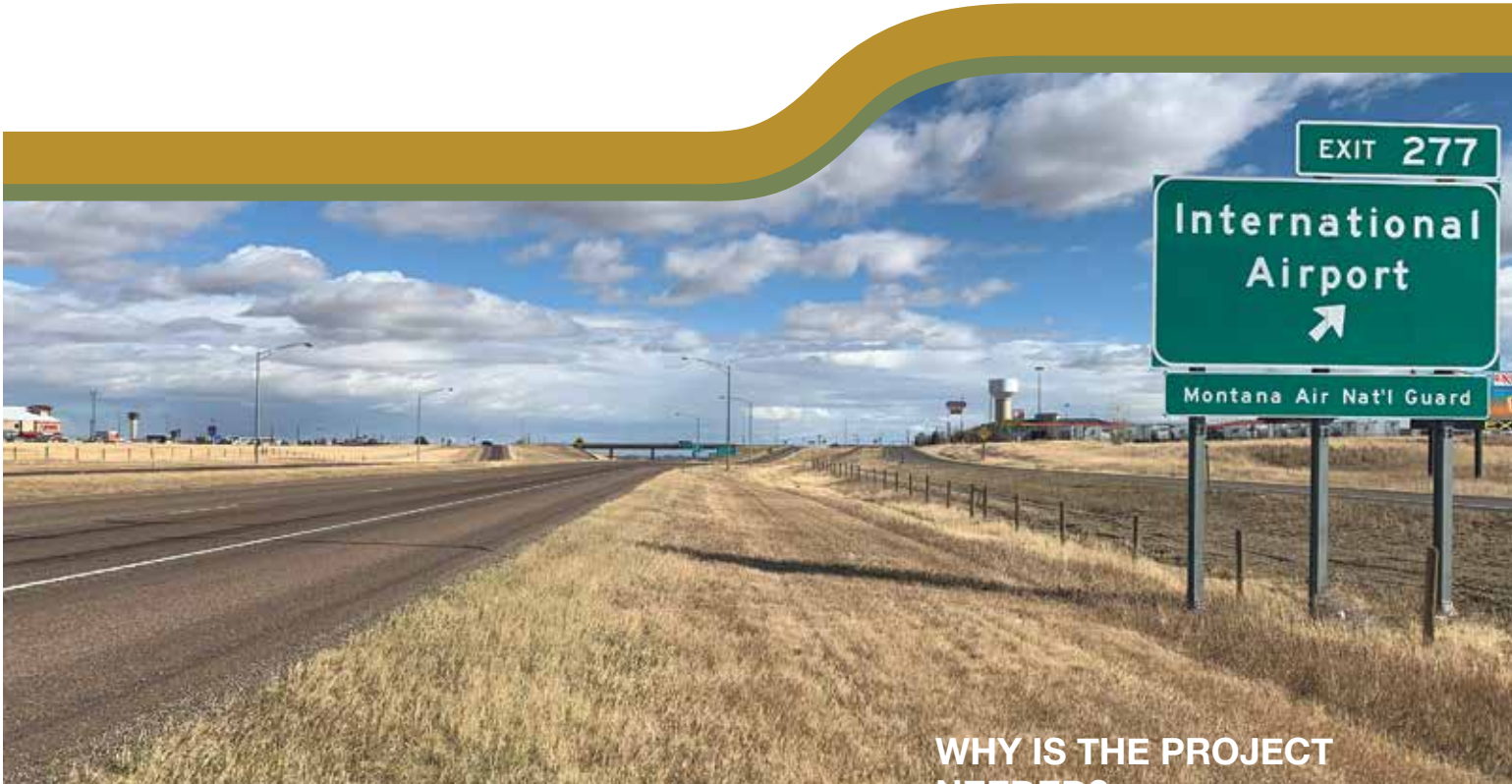
The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is improving the Gore Hill Interchange (Exit 277) on Interstate 15 (I-15) in Great Falls. The project will reduce delays, improve traffic flow, and enhance safety on I-15 between 10th Avenue South and the Gore Hill Interchange.

- 1** An additional southbound lane will be added to I-15 between the 10th Avenue South and Gore Hill interchanges. The lane will exit with the southbound Gore Hill interchange off-ramp.
- 2** Two single-lane roundabouts will be added at the 31st Street Southwest and I-15 on- and off-ramps.
- 3** The overpass will be moved to the east and replaced by a new bridge with wider lanes and shoulders.
- 4** Sidewalks will provide pedestrian access between the roundabout intersections.
- 5** Tri Hill Frontage Road will be removed and relocated to the south. The intersection of Tri Hill Frontage Road and 31st Street Southwest will be relocated to the south.

The new bridge design and roundabouts will accommodate over-sized trucks through the intersections.



See reverse for anticipated schedule and process.



PROJECT TIMELINE

MDT is in the design phase of developing improvements for the I-15 Gore Hill Interchange in Great Falls.

Planning Study	2015
Long Range Transportation Plan	2018
Potential alternatives evaluated and improvements developed	2018 – 2019
Recommended improvements presented to the public	2019
Detailed plans for new interchange design developed	2020
Present preferred alternative design to the public	2020
Develop final design plans	2020 – 2025
Construction anticipated to begin	2027*

*Depending on availability of funding

WHY IS THE PROJECT NEEDED?

The Gore Hill Interchange serves as a primary access point for the Great Falls International Airport and handles a significant amount of traffic.

The I-15 Gore Hill to Emerson Junction Corridor Planning Study (2015) and the Great Falls Long Range Transportation Plan (2018) identified several safety and operational concerns at the Gore Hill Interchange.

The close proximity of the Gore Hill and 10th Avenue Interchanges contributes to poor performance.



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