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Public open house to discuss MT 200 projects

LEWISTOWN, Mont.: The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) and its partner, Kiewit, are hosting an open house to discuss the *MT 200 Bridges Lewistown Area* project. This project will reconstruct 10 bridges along US 87/MT 200 in the Lewistown area, replacing the aging structures with new bridges or culverts.

The *MT 200 Shoulder & Slope Improvements* safety project will also be discussed at the open house. This project will improve two curves on MT 200 near mile marker 94, east of the intersection with Stillman Road, and near mile marker 97, east of the intersection with Gilt Edge Road, between Lewistown and Grass Range.

The open house will be held on Tuesday, April 8, from 4 to 6 p.m., at Grass Range High School (310 East 2nd Street). This event is open to the public and will provide an opportunity to learn more about the projects, ask questions, and connect with the project teams.

Construction on the *MT 200 Bridges Lewistown Area* project is expected to begin in April and continue through this year. In addition to bridge replacements, the project will include:

- Minor road and approach construction to tie the new structures into the existing road.
- Widening an approach for mail route turn-around (bridge #5993).
- Flattening the Briggs Coulee curve (bridge #6005).
- Flattening the profile and installing lighted wildlife signage at Elk Creek (bridge #6101).
- Upgrading the Ayers irrigation ditch.
- Improving flood conditions at North Fork McDonald Creek (bridge #5994).
- Reconstructing nearly three miles of roadway adjacent to bridges.
- Widening shoulders near the bridges.
- Installing a new guardrail.
- Installing rumble strips.
- Fencing improvements.

Construction on the *MT 200 Shoulder & Slope Improvements* project is also anticipated to occur in 2025.

For more information, please visit the project websites:

<https://mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/mt200lewistown/> and
<https://mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/mt200shoulderslope/>

Comments, questions, or concerns can be directed to Public Involvement Manager Lisa Olmsted at mt200@dowl.com or by calling 833-377-0453.

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