

Rose Crossing to Glacier Airport

Pavement Preservation



1. Where is the project located?

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) and LHC Inc. are rehabilitating approximately 4 miles of U.S. Highway 2 (US 2) between Rose Crossing and the Glacier International Airport near Kalispell. This project begins south of the Rose Crossing intersection and ends just south of the entrance to Glacier International Airport.

2. Why is this project necessary?

This corridor experiences significant daily traffic volumes and over time it has become worn down and formed grooves in the driving lanes. The purpose of this project is to rehabilitate the existing surface to extend the service life of the highway, provide a smoother driving surface, and upgrade curb ramps, signals, signage, and pavement markings.

3. Will the roadway change as part of this project?

No. The layout or configuration of the road will not change as a result of project activities. This is a pavement preservation project that will ensure the road can continue to serve the traveling public for many years.

4. Will work occur outside of the highway?

Yes. As part of this project, curb ramps at the Rose Crossing intersection will be updated to current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance, the electronics for crosswalks will be updated at the Birch Grove Road and Rose Crossing intersections, the southern crosswalk will be removed from the Rose Crossing intersection, and the Motor Carrier Services weigh station will be repaved.

5. Will there be closures and detours on Rose Crossing and Birch Grove Road?

Rose Crossing and Birch Grove Road intersections will be closed to east/west traffic for up to a 5-day period. These closures will not occur simultaneously, and a detour will be posted.

6. What should I expect during construction?

When construction begins, motorists can expect:

- One lane in each direction will remain open at all times.
- Speed limits will be reduced.
- Work may take place 24 hours a day, Monday through Saturday. Sunday work may be approved by the project manager on a case-by-case basis if requested by the contractor.
- Wide loads may be restricted at times.
- Delays of up to 15 minutes are possible.

7. What is the project schedule?

This project is anticipated to begin in June and be completed by fall 2025.

