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# Laramie's Third Street project



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of town has also started and is proceeding well.

WYDOT used innovative contracting measures in the form of an incentive/disincentive and an aggressive schedule for this project. The project is slated for completion in September.

Kory Cramer, Resident Engineer from Laramie responsible for the project, is seeing great progress throughout the project thus far.

"A mild spring allowed our contractors to begin work in February, ahead of schedule," Cramer said. "The communication between Knife River, and their subcontractors S&S Builders, Casper Electric, DRM, and Six Points, has been paramount to the early success of the project."

With so many crews working in close proximity, the

coordination alone was impressive.

Through a combination of skilled workmanship, effective project management, and a genuine commitment to community engagement, the US 287/Third Street project is not just improving infrastructure; it's building a safer, more connected Laramie.

For updates on the project, scan the QR code below or visit https://www.dot.state.wy.us/home/news\_info/district\_news\_ info/district\_1/laramie-3rd-street-project.html, or email District 1 Senior Public Relations Specialist Andrea Staley to be added to the weekly newsletter.



The project has a very aggressive work schedule to be completed in September.



By Andrea Staley

This spring marked the commencement of the final phase of the Laramie Third Street revitalization project. The Wyoming Department of Transportation, in partnership with Knife River and a team of skilled subcontractors, is leading this final stage of urban renewal. Building on the previous utility and waterline repairs undertaken by the city of Laramie, WYDOT is now concentrating on enhancing the street's infrastructure and accessibility.

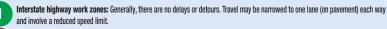
The \$12.2 million project includes upgraded Americans with Disabilities Actcompliant corners, improved curb and gutters, and five signal upgrades featuring decorative signals throughout the downtown area. The project will also involve upgrades to the intersection of Third Street and Grand Avenue with new concrete, including colored concrete for the crosswalk, ADA-compliant corner improvements with curb extensions, and audible pedestrian signals to enhance pedestrian safety and convenience.

A key aspect of this project is the strong emphasis on public involvement. Acknowledging the potential for construction to disrupt daily life, WYDOT and its partners have prioritized transparency and communication. Weekly newsletters keep residents informed about project progress and potential impacts, while weekly coordination meetings with all contractors ensure efficient and smooth workflow. This collaborative strategy has been crucial in maintaining public support and minimizing disruptions.

Looking ahead, the upcoming month will see a closure at the intersection of US Highway 287/Third Street and Grand Avenue as crews work to upgrade the infrastructure and traffic signals. Progress at the Spring Creek box culvert south of town has been positive, with contractors looking to switch traffic from the west side to the east side and begin the second phase of the box culvert this month. Reconstruction of the subgrade north

#### Legend

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Two-lane road projects: Motorists may be required to stop and wait to follow pilot cars. Usually, any delays are limited to 20 minutes or less and travel is on pavement.

- Two-lane road projects: At times, motorists may have to drive on gravel or another temporary surface, typically for two miles or less. Delays are limited, there are no detours unless specifically noted but there may be a pilot car.
- D District-wide projects: Various locations, may involve reduced speeds

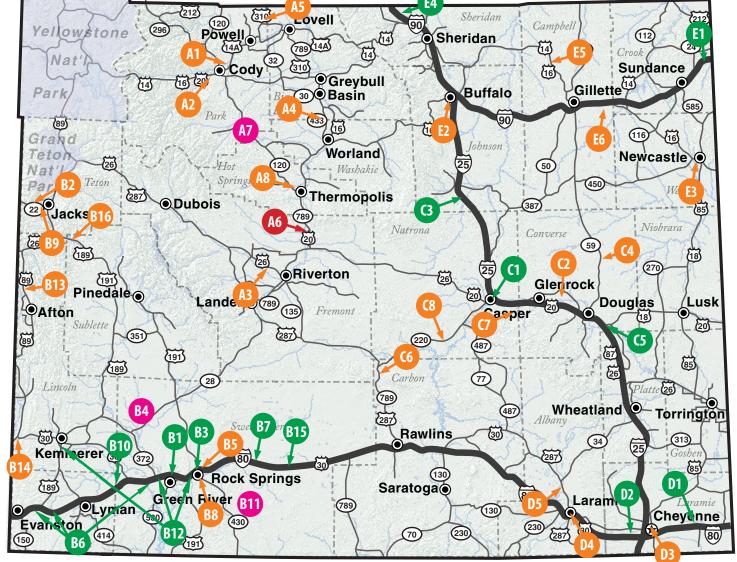
Not every project is listed Due to the unpredictable nature of the construction process, not all projects are active all the time. In addition, some short-term projects and smaller projects which disrupt traffic to a lesser degree are not listed. Completion dates are approximate

Commercial vehicle operators. In work zones, size and weight restrictions may apply. Ask for details at any Wyoming port of entry or call (307) 777-4376. Current restrictions are also available on the Internet at

#### **Northwest Wyoming - A**

- A1 US 14A/Park County Road 2AB: Construction of right turn lane at Park County Road 2AB and US 14A at MM 7.35 north of Cody, 45 mph limit during non-working/commuting hours, expect 10-minute delays. 12-foot width restriction .
- A2 US 14/16/20: Erosion repair, quardrail replacement MM 43.86-44.78. Construction of retaining wall west of MM 44.78. Paved driving surface. Heavy truck traffic from project west to MM 37.1. One-lane road with temporary traffic signals 24/7 with minor delays. 14-foot width restriction. No work Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.
- **US 26:** Asphalt pavement surfacing, milling, chip sealing, traffic control on 5.71 miles of US 26 west of Riverton between MM 125-130.7. 20-minute traffic delays. Paving in early May, with chip sealing in June. 12-foot width restriction.
- A4 WYO 433: Asphalt pavement milling, overlay, chip sealing, grading on 7.90 miles beginning at MM 10.92 between Worland and Manderson. Expect delays.
- A5 US 310: Slope flattening Includes grading. fencing, seeding/erosion control, aggregate surfacing work on 7.50 miles at MM 242.42 between Deaver and the Montana state line. The contractor will be placing fills and seeding in May and June. Expect delays.

- A6 US 26/WYO 789: Overlay/fencing, asphalt pavement surfacing, milling, chip sealing, fencing, traffic control on 14.5 miles of US 26/WYO 789 at MM 106.320 between Riverton and Shoshoni. Asphalt chip sealing between MM 106.320 and MM 106.53. Asphalt pavement milling, surfacing and chip sealing at MM 106.53. Asphalt pavement milling, surfacing and chip sealing end at MM 109.60. Paving and chip sealing to be complete by end of June. Fencing begins at MM 115.43 and continues through MM 126.84 near Shoshoni. Two-way traffic will follow a pilot car. Expect short delays.
- A7 D5 Bridge Rehabilitation: At various locations in District 5. Involving structure, traffic control. asphalt paving, seeding/erosion control, guardrail, grading, milling, aggregate surfacing work. Locations - One bridge near Lovell on WYO 37, MM 1.24: two bridges near Byron on US 14A. MM 34.33, and MM 36.17; one near Powell on WYO 294, MM 0.30; and two bridges near Crowheart on US 26/287, MM 86.00 and MM 87.14. Expect delays and width restrictions.
- A8 Thermopolis Broadway Street: Bridge restoration. Deck replacement, substructure repair. painting, approach slab replacement, sidewalk repair, bridge rail, approach paving. Late May detour on Broadway Street routing traffic to the Park Street bridge for East Thermopolis, business, state park, dinosaur center and hospital access.



#### Southwest Wyoming - B

- B1 I-80 Green River tunnels: Mile marker 90.2 Traffic control, head-to-head traffic in the eastbound tunnel for westbound tunnel repairs.
- B2 Big Fill Slide: landslide repair at mile marker 12.8 on WYO 22. Continuation of last season's project.
- B3 Rock Springs/I-80 Interchange Rd.: Replace/reconstruct interchange; 0.81 miles.
- B4 Contract patch in various locations: Lincoln, Uinta, Sweetwater Counties. Bituminous surfacing, milling, traffic control and other work.
- Rock Springs "N" Street: Bridge replacement over Bitter Creek.
- District 3 Bridge Rehab: Rehabilitation work on structure over UPRR on WYO 374 at MM 82.67 and on two structures on I-80 at MM 10.68 (EBL) and MM 15.64 (EBL).
- B7 Rock Springs-Rawlins (Point of Rocks East): RM 130-138 construction of slip ramps and minor shoulder paving for EBL & WBL milling and 4-inch paving and minor bridge work.
- B8 Rock Springs Streets (WYO 376): Concrete slab replacement and repair and asphalt shoulder work on south belt loop.
- B9 Jackson-Wilson Rd. (Snake River Bridge): Bridge replacement, grading, traffic control, surfacing, bituminous, concrete surfacing, fencing on 1.80 miles on WYO 22, WYO 390 between Jackson and Wilson Rd.
- B10 I-80 Evanston-Green River (County Line East) project: MM 57-65.44 milling, paving in both EBL and WBL, pipe replacement, culvert lining, Portions under traffic and then traffic switched head-to-head to opposite direction.

- (B11) District 3 High Mast lighting upgrade: Replacing existing 120 ft. high mast lighting with 80 ft. high masts from Evanston to Wamsutter.
- **B12** District 3 Slab Replacement: Concrete slab replacement and repair at I-80 MM 88.92 (EBL), I-80 MM 101.72 (WBL), US 189 MM 35.67 in Diamondville, and US 30 Connector MM 54.22 in Kemmerer.
- B13 Strawberry Creek Roadway Realignment: Asphalt paving, grading, aggregate surfacing, traffic control, stormwater drainage, fencing and chip seal work on 0.70 mile on CR 126 (Strawberry Creek Road) in Lincoln County
- B14 Right of way fencing: replacement on US 30 and WYO 89 beginning at mile marker 54.90 between Idaho state line and Sage Junction
- B15 Patrick Draw: Bridge rehab involving asphalt paving, grading and traffic control and guardrail on approximately 10.80 miles on I-80 beginning at MM 143 between Rock Springs and Rawlins.
- Bridge rehab US 189/191: bridge rehab involving structures, traffic control, asphalt paving, guardrail and seeding and erosion control work US 189/191 MM 153.7 and WYO 353 MM 6.7.







### **Northeast Wyoming - E**



E1 I-90: Exit 205 Bridge repair.

- E2 US 16/87: Buffalo Main Street and I-25 / I-90 Business Loop. Mill and overlay MM 298.02 to 301.34.
- B US 16 Bypass: Railroad bridge rehab MM 248.70.

## **Central Wyoming - C**

- **C1** I-25: Five bridge replacements. Surfacing and other work between MM 189-190. Affects both NB and SB lanes. Work is continuing from last season.
- WYO 95: Surfacing and bridge rehabilitation between MM 1.69-7.65.
- I-25: Mill, level, overlay, bridge rehabilitation southbound lanes between MM 244-253.
- (4 WYO 59: Mill and overlay; structure rehabilitation and other work on 7.70 miles beginning at MM 19.30 north of Douglas in the Lightning Creek area.

#### Southeast Wyoming - D

- D1 I-80: Near Burns at MM 382.15-393.40. Concrete slab repair, an asphalt wearing course, and six bridge replacements.
- D2 I-80/Wagonhound: WB section, MM 258.9-267.19. Project includes mill and overlay. Wagonhound Rest Area will be closed beginning in June. Access to the Wick/Beumee Wildlife Habitat Management Area will remain open.
  - Warren Ave: Phase II from 24th Street to Pershing Blvd. in Cheyenne. Project includes a mill and overlay.

- **E4** I-90: Westbound, MM 0-8. mill and overlay with bridge replacement, bridge repair and slide repair. Two-way head-to-head traffic in the eastbound lane.
- E5 US 16: MM 85.96 86.20. retaining wall repair. **F6**

width restriction.

10-foot width restriction. WYO 51: Mill and overlay MM 136-143, 12-foot

- **(C5)** I-25: District 2 Bridge Rehabilitation on I-25 at Orin Junction.
- US 287: Mill and overlay between MM 33-44.77.
- WYO 253: Bridge replacement at MM 2.78 (Dry Muddy Creek).
- (8) WYO 220: Bridge rehabilitation at MM 85.81 (Casper Canal).

- US 287/3rd Street in Laramie: Mill and overlay, ADA upgrades and intersection improvements, traffic signal replacements from Curtis St. to Boswell Dr. The Spring Creek bridge will also be replaced.
- D5 US 30/287: North of Laramie near MM 318. Pete Lien will be placing a rail spur to their facility. A detour will be in place during the project.

