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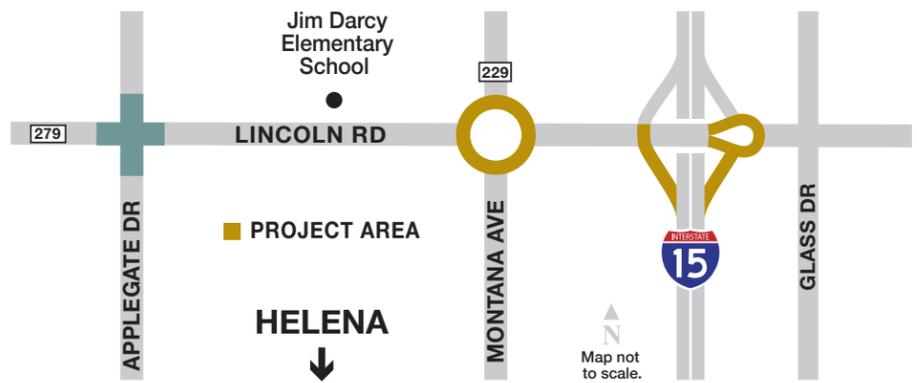
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Project description

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is improving traffic operations and safety for the Lincoln Road corridor from North Montana Avenue through the Interstate 15 Lincoln Road interchange. Based on technical analysis and input from the community, MDT is moving forward with a project to improve this corridor.

The project is located in Lewis and Clark County approximately six miles north of Helena and includes improvements to the Lincoln Road and North Montana Avenue intersection, the Lincoln Road and southbound I-15 ramp, and the Lincoln Road and I-15 northbound ramp intersection.



SAFETY

- From 2003 until 2013 a total of 59 crashes occurred within the project area.
- The majority of crashes were a rear end or right-angle type collision.

TRAFFIC

- In 2016, 5,850 vehicles traveled the corridor daily. Over the next 20 years, the number of vehicles using this corridor every day is projected to more than double to 13,050.

The north valley outside of Helena has experienced rapid growth in recent years due in part to development activity and changes in land use. Traffic volumes have been increasing rapidly near the I-15 Lincoln Road Interchange. The area is currently experiencing heavy vehicle congestion during the peak hours and traffic is expected to more than double over the next 20 years due to continued development. If remained unchanged, increasing vehicle delay and safety issues are likely to compound.

What's next?

Based on continued environmental and design analysis, MDT will finalize the design plans, begin purchasing right-of-way, and develop construction plans. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2022.

Anticipated schedule

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| Draft design plans presented to the public | Dec. 2018 |
| Design finalized and construction plans will be developed | 2019-2021 |
| Construction information presented to the public | 2021 |
| Construction anticipated (depending on funding) | 2022 |

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Planned Improvements

Lincoln Road — North Montana Avenue Intersection

- A single-lane roundabout with a westbound right-turn bypass lane. The bypass lane will address the high amount of westbound-to-northbound right-turn movements during the evening rush hour.



Lincoln Road — I-15 Southbound On-Ramp

- An additional eastbound right-turn bypass lane from Lincoln Road onto the I-15 southbound on-ramp.
- An additional lane on the southbound on-ramp.
- A westbound left-turn lane from Lincoln Road onto the I-15 southbound on-ramp.

The improvements will reduce the stacking of traffic on Lincoln Road during morning rush hour.



Lincoln Road — I-15 Northbound Off-Ramp

- A single-lane roundabout with a right-turn bypass lane. The bypass lane will address the high amount of northbound to westbound traffic during the evening rush hour.

