



## FLATHEAD FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS,

The Montana Department of Transportation plans to replace the current bridge over the Flathead River on Montana Highway 82 near Bigfork, also known as Sportsman's Bridge, with a new bridge that is safer and better able to handle the increased traffic in the area. The new structure will feature two 12-foot travel lanes and two 10-foot shoulders, both wider than the current dimensions. It will be constructed adjacent to the south side of the current bridge in order to maintain traffic on the existing bridge during construction. A new Sportsman's Bridge Fishing Access Site (FAS) will also be constructed in its current location on the east side of Flathead River, as well as new left- and right-hand turning lanes on Highway 82 at the intersection with Hanging Rock Drive.

## MEET OUR TEAM

Everyone is invited to engage with the Sportsman's Bridge reconstruction team. We will answer all project questions and provide additional information.

It is our goal to ensure residents and travelers are kept fully updated throughout the course of the project. If you would like to receive regular updates on this project, or have questions, please email me at [amy@bigskypublicrelations.com](mailto:amy@bigskypublicrelations.com) or call 406-207-4424. We're happy to help!

We look forward to working with you.

Respectfully,

Amy Aiello

Communications Manager

*Sportsman's Bridge Reconstruction Project on behalf of the Montana Department of Transportation*

## JOIN US AT THE SPORTSMAN'S BRIDGE OPEN HOUSE TO LEARN MORE

MDT is hosting two open houses prior to construction. Join us in one of two ways:

### IN-PERSON

Wednesday, September 15

3:30 to 6:30 PM

Bigfork High School Community Room  
600 Commerce Street, Bigfork MT, 59911

### VIRTUALLY

Thursday, September 16

12:00 to 1:00 PM on Zoom

Register to attend at  
[bit.ly/sbopenhouse](https://bit.ly/sbopenhouse)

The same content will be provided during both sessions. No formal presentation will be made during the in-person event and all are welcome to attend any time. The virtual event will have a brief presentation followed by a Q&A session.

## STAY IN THE KNOW



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