



HAVRE NORTHWEST RECONSTRUCTION



WELCOME

The Montana Department of Transportation welcomes you to this open house public meeting to learn more about planned highway improvements to Secondary 232 (Wild Horse Trail).



Eliminate all traffic fatalities and serious injuries

WE NEED EVERYONE TO DO THEIR PART:

- **Drive sober.** Never drive impaired, and plan ahead for safe, sober transportation.
- **Buckle Up.** Every person, every trip, every time.
- **Stay Alert.** Be rested, put aside distractions, and give your full attention to the task at hand and the road ahead.
- **Slow Down.** Follow posted speed limits and adjust your driving speed for current conditions. Allow for extra time when traveling in the winter or through a work zone.
- **Share the Road.** Watch for motorcyclists, pedestrians, and bicyclists.
- **Move Over.** It's the law. Always slow down and move over for stopped emergency responders and vehicles including law enforcement, emergency medical, fire service, maintenance crews and towing operators.
- **Expect the Unexpected.** Scan your travel area for safety hazards such as wildlife, debris on roadway, disabled vehicles, and decreased visibility.
- **Maintain It.** Keep your vehicle in safe running condition.
- **Stay in your vehicle.** In the event you are involved in a crash, stay in your vehicle to minimize the risk of being involved in a secondary severe crash.
- **Secure your load.** If you're towing or hauling with your vehicle, make sure to check all restraints, chains, and other equipment before driving.

Together, we can save lives!

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Project Description



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is planning highway improvements to Secondary 232 (S 232), commonly known as Wild Horse Trail, near Havre. The project begins at the intersection of Wild Horse Trail and River Road North and ends just north of the intersection with 60 North.

Proposed reconstruction includes wider shoulders, straighter curves, flattened hills, and new pavement from 4th Avenue North to Road 60 North.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project will reconstruct the existing roadway and widen it to 11 foot travel lanes, with 3 or 5 foot shoulders. Other proposed project work includes upgraded signage and striping, drainage improvements, and culvert upgrades.

Intersection improvements are proposed on public approaches that currently do not allow for a good visual of oncoming traffic.

- **Mailbox turnouts** will be included at 6 locations along the project.
- **Design speed** throughout the project area is being evaluated.
- **Detour plans** are likely not a viable option for the majority of this project, the proposed alignment is offset to help maintain a single lane of traffic during construction.





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Environmental



- Wetland impacts are anticipated to accommodate the wider roadway width. These impacts will be identified as the design progresses.
- The proposed roadway grade varies from the existing elevation to approximately 1 foot above to help accommodate additional snow drifting storage in the roadside ditches.
- Existing culverts will be replaced and drainage patterns will be reviewed to identify any water ponding concerns within the project limits.
- Minimal impacts are anticipated at the private pond between Willow Creek Drive and Fresno Road (just after Milepost 6).
- The new roadway will be slightly shifted to the east of the existing road to help facilitate traffic during construction.





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Right-of-Way



**Talk to a
Right-of-Way
Team Member
Here**

- S 232 is currently within a 70 foot wide existing roadway easement.
- Right-of-way acquisition is anticipated throughout the project limits to accommodate the wider roadway. Impacts will be mitigated to the greatest extent possible.
- Replacement of fence along the project limits will be identified as right-of-way design is further developed.
- Right-of-way acquisition is anticipated from soils classified as “Important Farmland” and compliance with the Farmland Protection Policy Act will be required as these impacts are identified through final design development.
- Redesign of private approaches/driveways to enhance overall safety and provide better sight distance in both directions.
- The Right-of-Way Team will start meeting with landowners next month.



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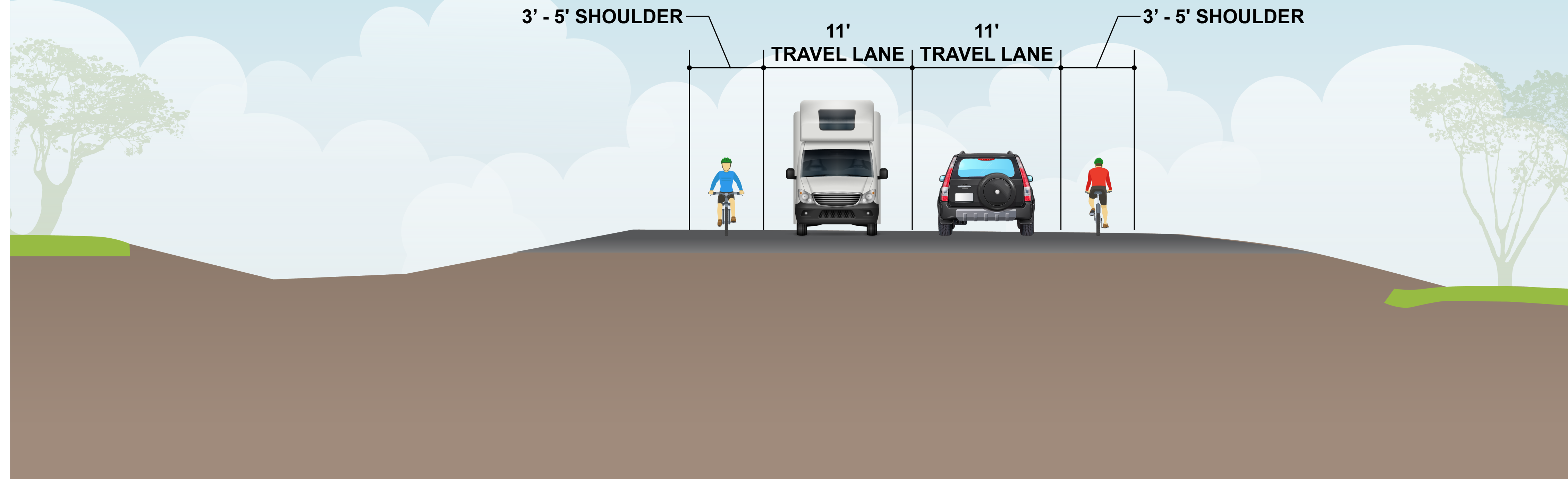
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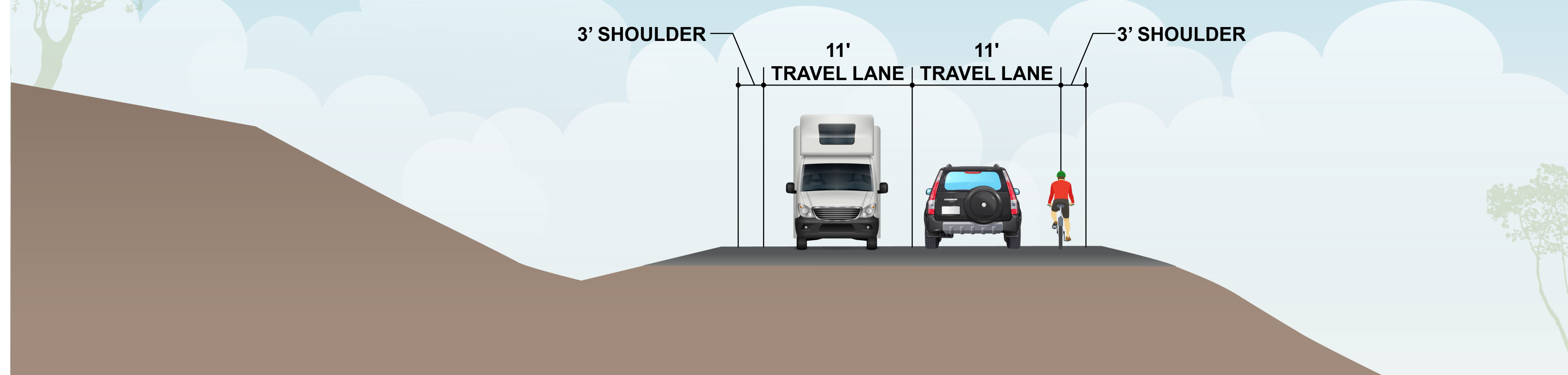
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- Generally, the new roadway follows the old road.
- Designed to urban and rural standards, as appropriate.
- Roadway curves have been designed to meet current design standards including straighter curves and flatter hills.

PROPOSED URBAN DETAIL ROAD WIDTH



PROPOSED RURAL DETAIL ROAD WIDTH





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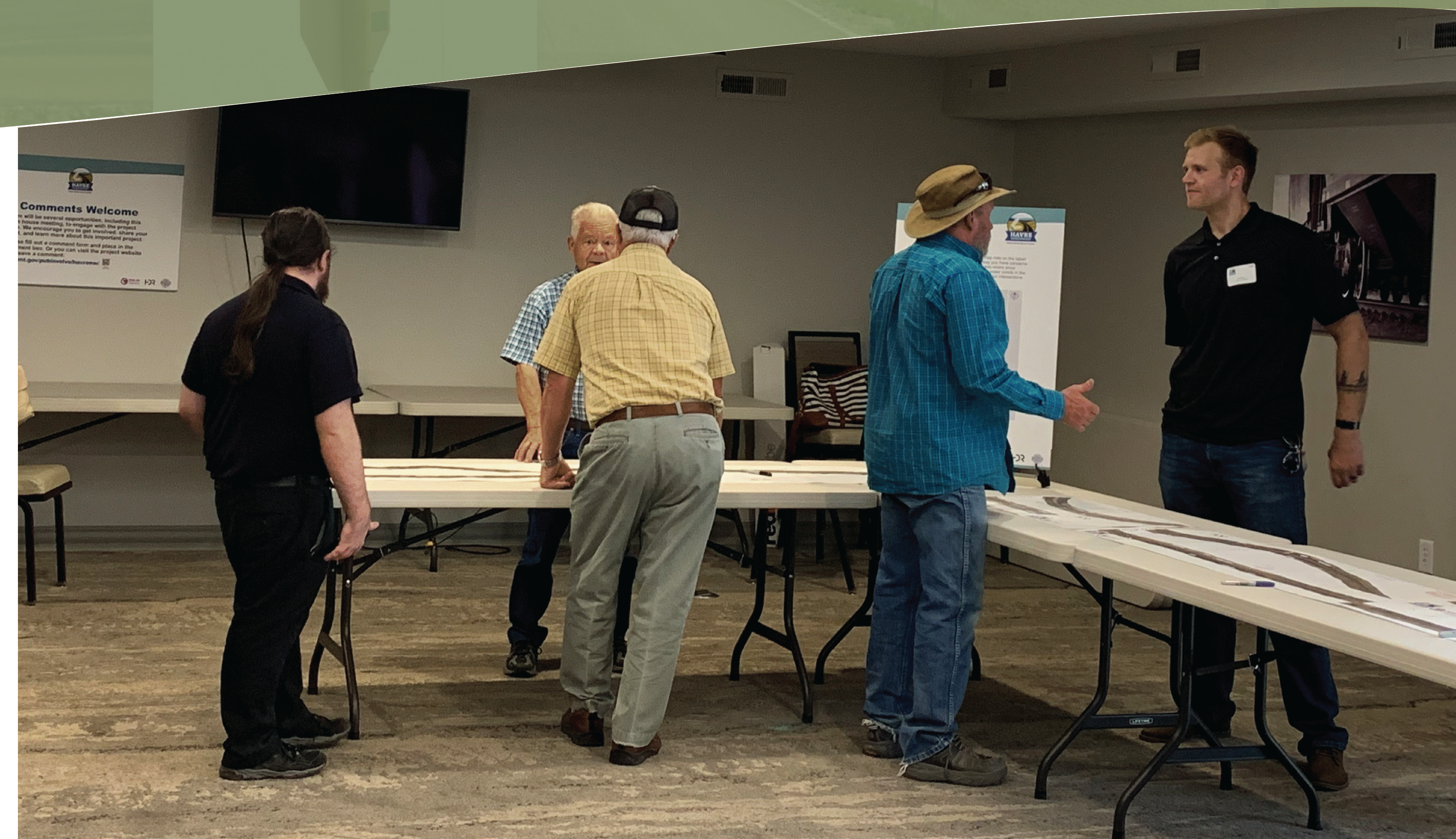
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Your Ideas



Please feel free to write on the map rolls on the table!

Point out locations on the roadway you have concerns about. For example, are there areas where snow drifts over the road in the winter or water ponds in the summer? Do you have concerns about intersections or accessing private driveways?





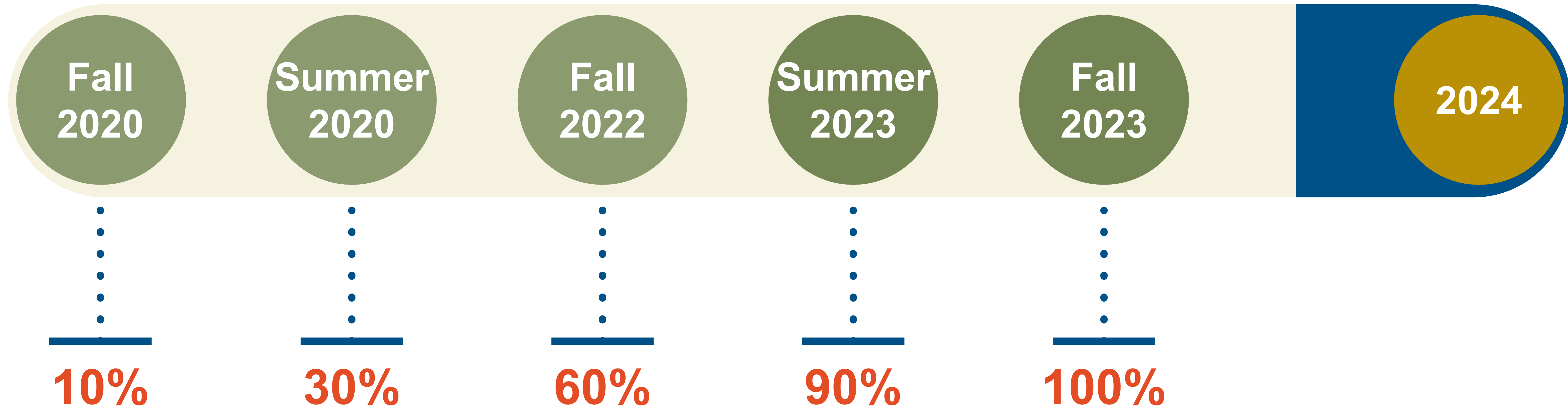
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Project Schedule



DESIGN PHASE

CONSTRUCTION PHASE





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Comments Welcome



There will be several opportunities, including this open house meeting, to engage with the project team. We encourage you to get involved, share your input, and learn more about this important project.

Please fill out a comment form and place in the comment box. Or you can visit the project website and leave a comment.



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THANK YOU

Thank you for participating in the Havre Northwest Reconstruction project. MDT is working closely with nearby property owners and stakeholders during the project design and we appreciate your input.

Contact Us:

For questions, comments, or to reach the project team:



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