

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the purpose of the project?

The project will address the deterioration of the Interstate 90 (I 90) eastbound bridge located five miles east of Alberton in a cost-effective manner. The rehabilitation will ensure that the bridge can continue to safely serve the community well into the future.

Why is this project necessary?

The bridge was originally constructed in 1979 and has gone through several minor rehabilitations over the years. The bridge remains safe to drive on but needs major rehabilitation to bring it up to current standards and extend its service life.

What is the project schedule?

Construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2023 and be completed in the fall.

Will the river remain open during construction?

The river below the bridge will remain open to fishing, boating, and floating during construction. However, there may be times when overhead work could restrict floating beneath the bridge. In those instances, signage at boat launches and near the project area will direct traffic to one side of the river.

Will traffic be shifted using crossovers?

Yes, both west and eastbound traffic will travel on the westbound side of the interstate for approximately 2 miles while construction takes place on the eastbound bridge. Crossovers are lanes built in the median to shift traffic from one side of the interstate to the other side.

Will emergency responders be able to access both sides of the bridge in case of an emergency?

MDT is working closely with emergency responders to ensure that critical services are not interrupted as part of this project.

What is the estimated cost of the project?

Construction was awarded to Frontier West with a bid of \$7,335,189. This project is funded with 91.24% federal funding and 8.76% state funding.

How can I stay informed about this project?

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