

# Suiattle River Road ERF0 Repairs

FHWA MP 6.0 - MP 14.4 Projects AND USFS MP 20.8 - 22.9 Projects

CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

June 24, 2014

## Construction Activities:

**Sites 1 - 5:** Clearing the new alignment is mostly complete and the contractor is building sub-grade and shaping the slopes. Progress is going fairly well. Big culverts have been delivered but plans to install them this week is being stymied as locating backfill materials has been a challenge.

### Station 175+00 Large Culvert Pipes Delivered



**Sites 6 - 8:** There was a lot of activity on the Upper Suiattle last week. Steel pilings for the Downey Extension Bridge foundation were delivered to Darrington, The majority of the embankment at Downey Creek has now been hauled up to the Green Mtn. Pit, old culverts were removed, new culverts were installed, and the temporary foot bridge onto the Downey Bridge was taken down and delivered to Darrington.

There will be very little work on the Upper Suiattle this week as the Contractor is now waiting for pile drillers to finish with another project before they can start the piling at Downey. Equipment is expected to mobilize early the week of June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Hikers are welcome through the site as there are no safety concerns relating to construction; however, the only way to get across Downey Creek is by fording. The water level at the mouth of Downey was 1.5-2' in places with pretty strong currents though the water levels are steadily decreasing and getting better every day.

## WORK SCHEDULE, DELAYS AND CLOSURES

**Sites 1 - 5:** Monday - Friday, 10 hours per day

**The road is closed to vehicular traffic at MP 11.6.**

**It is open for non-vehicular traffic (walking, bicycling, horseback riding, etc.)**

**Sites 6 - 8:** Monday - Friday, 10 hours per day

**Closed to all public travel weekdays from 7:00am to 5:00pm.**

**Please use extreme caution when travelling through the construction zones.**

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**Project Website:** <http://www.wfl.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/wa/suiattle/>

# Suiattle River Road

## Suiattle River Road Improvements:

**Site 1 - Milepost 6.0:** Reroute the road for about 2500 feet, with realignment of about 375 to 400 feet inland from the eroded Suiattle River bank. The old roadway will be abandoned and rehabilitated with mitigations for associated wetlands and flood plain reconnection.

**Site 2 - Milepost 12.6:** Reconstruct the road 1200 to 1300 feet, with an offset of up to 70 feet from the existing road.

**Sites 3 & 4 - Milepost 13.0 & 13.4:** Reroute around the two washouts with a realignment of approximately 1.1 mile of road upslope of Road 26 and away from the Suiattle River.

**Site 5 - Milepost 14.4:** Align the roadway for a length of about 900 feet, 55 to 90 feet away from the eroded river bank; re-establish the Huckleberry trailhead and parking; and abandon and rehabilitate the temporary reroute road.

**Site 6 - Milepost 20.8:** Widen the roadway into the hillside for about 250 feet long.

**Site 7 - Milepost 20.9 (Downey Creek Bridge):** Remove the existing embankment and culvert at the first approach for 210 feet and build a three span bridge extension to replace that embankment and create a wider channel opening.

**Site 8 - Milepost 22.9 (Sulphur Creek Bridge):** Build a concrete faced retaining wall at the first approach to replace the failed embankment and create a wider channel opening.



## Contract Information:

	Sites 1 - 5	Bridge Fabrication	Sites 6 - 8
<b>Contracting Agency</b>	FHWA	USFS	USFS
<b>Project Number</b>	WA FS ERFO 071-2023	AG-05K3-C-13-0007	AG-05M6-C-13-0021
<b>Project Name</b>	<i>Suiattle River Road - MP6.0 - 14.4, Combined Projects</i>	<i>Downey Creek Extension - Bridge Supply</i>	<i>Upper Suiattle Road - ERFO Repairs</i>
<b>Status</b>	Under Construction	In Fabrication	Under Construction
<b>Contractor</b>	MidMountain Contractors, Inc.	Big R Manufacturing, LLC	AM Excavating LLC
<b>Award Date</b>	July 31, 2013	June 17, 2013	September 17, 2013
<b>Award Amount</b>	\$2,741,077.50	\$397,129.80	\$706,640.00
<b>Est. Completion</b>	October 6, 2014	August 1, 2014	October 31, 2014
<b>Project Engineer</b>	Don Brouillard	Peter Wagner	Peter Wagner