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East Entrance Road Segment C
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The project is located starting at Sylvan Pass heading seven miles east to the East Entrance gate. The project involves widening and reconstructing the roadway, including: retaining walls, culvert replacement, blasting, milling, paving and striping. The Contract Fixed completion date for this project is October 5, 2006.

Tentative Construction Schedule:

The East Entrance Road project was awarded to HK Contractors INC. on May 26, 2004. Start up operations commenced on June 21, 2004.

Recent rains produced several mudslides from 0+900 to 2+240, covering sections of the road in roughly 10,000 cubic yards of material; the East Entrance has been closed since the incident on Sunday July 18, 2004. HK has begun work in connection with Yellowstone Park Personnel to remove this material safely, due to unexploded ordinance, and re-open the roadway as soon as possible.

Night closures were scheduled to start Tuesday night July 20, 2004, from 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM, but have now been postponed to this Sunday July 25, 2004. The contractor will be working 4 nights a week starting Sunday nights, the road will then be open from Thursday night through Saturday night. Construction delays will continue during the daylight hours but will be limited to half hour delays, Monday-Friday. The Base Schedule (starting at Sylvan Pass and heading two miles towards the East Entrance) has started surveying, removal items, and clearing and grubbing, with culvert installations starting later this week. Option A (extending the project another 2.7 miles towards the East Entrance from the Base Schedule) has also been awarded and construction will start shortly.

Project completion date is set at October 5, 2006. Any questions or comments concerning the project can be addressed to the FHWA Lake Office YNP.