

Highway 35



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In typing the word October into this weeks newsletter it boldly noted summer is over. On the project its not that easy to define the end of summer and the start of fall. Clearly those working at White River would say this week is more like winter, temperatures in the 30s and low 40s with high winds. But then again those in the Clark Newton section might still say its summer. So back to project information. All the bridge decks are poured and Cascade Bridge is working at White River casting curbs this week. At Clark Newton they poured all four wing walls Wednesday. The plan depending on how quickly the concrete gains strength is to perhaps start filling between those wing walls.

Structural backfill will be placed in 6-inch layers in order to support the 20-foot long concrete approach slabs coming up to the bridge. If Saturdays test results delay fill placement the work will be delayed until Monday morning. Yes I said Monday. With snow conditions only weeks away a hard push is under way to have traffic



moving across this new Clark Creek Bridge before winter shutdown. In the photo above, taken today, Cascade Bridge poured one half of the Green Apple Brige curbs under brutal wind conditions, just look how everyone is bundled up. The other photo also taken today is Tapani raising the new roadway adjacent to Clark Creek Bridge. In the contract next Monday would normally be a holiday, Columbus Day. However to make sure the Clark Bridge is open on time everyone is working Monday. So plan on seeing flaggers not only on Saturday this week but also on Monday. Next week would be the same traffic control, Monday through Friday, darn near dawn to dusk hours. Please be patient we're working as fast as we can.



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