



SANDLAKE – GALLOWAY ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

What's happening on the job?

Last Friday the section of road from M.P. 3.50 to 3.82, which had previously had the old asphalt surface removed down to gravel was leveled out for weekend traffic. This section thought to contain isolated blue mud locations turned into a disaster by Monday. Motor homes were stuck, cars were dodging around mud upheavals, it was a simply a mess. Something none of us wanted to see. So this week, if you have driven through the project you saw us once again digging out more blue mud. Our initial thoughts were once on to the hill we would leave the soft blue mud behind and move forward faster with road construction. Not so, right now its dig, dig and dig more blue mud. Not only are we into the blue mud we have water coming out of the hillside, and this was before the rain started. Our thoughts are now to plan for mud all the way up the hill and down the other side. One bright spot to this for everyone using this road with all the extra rock this road will provide service for many years.

For those of you that had to endure this mess over the weekend we apologize. We did hear from a few long time residents describing the mess the contractor and public had to endure in the 1950s when this road was last rebuilt. It seems that to get vehicles up and over the hill during construction each vehicle was pulled up and over with a tractor. At least we are not to that point yet! So please excuse the mess we want this road finished as bad as you do.

Our goal is to pave the segment from approximately M.P. 1.0 to 1.86 next Thursday. The contractor has a lot of work ahead of him to accomplish this, such as laying down the layer of Emulsified Asphalt Treated Base (EATB), rock mixed with 1% asphalt, moving a stream at the box culvert, removing two old cross culverts used by the stream, and putting in guardrail posts at 4 locations.

Next week expect work zones with piloted traffic control from M.P. 0.6 to 4.1 on Sandlake Road.

*** * EXPECT 30-MINUTE DELAYS DAWN TO DUSK * ***
Monday thru Thursday next week & Friday till Noon