

Convict Grade Road Bridge over Shields River Update October 19, 2018 15:45 (3:45PM)

Park County is preparing to install a detour bridge adjacent to the Convict Grade Road Bridge over the Shields River. Mobilization of the components for the temporary structure are expected to begin Monday, October 19, 2018 with abutment, earthwork and approach construction to follow. The detour bridge is anticipated to be in place mid to late week.

Beginning Monday morning, public traveling across the bridge via alternate methods such as foot, bike, etc...to shuttle vehicles are required to begin parking shuttle vehicles 1/8 of mile from the existing bridge on the west side and 500 feet from the bridge on the east side so that equipment and materials can be staged adjacent to the installation. Please refer to the attached diagram and please be aware of construction workers and equipment when passing through the work zone.

The duration of the detour is unknown at this time but additional information will be released as soon as it is available. The detour bridge will accommodate similar loading to the existing bridge and will provide for winter maintenance and access. The County is considering repair and replacement options in conjunction with finances and existing information on the current structure.

Until the detour bridge is installed the detour route for access east of the bridge (51 Convict Grade Road east to Springdale) from the intersection of Convict Grade Rd and Hwy 89 N is as follows;

south 2.1 miles to I-90 East 340 interchange;
east on I-90 for 13.6miles to Exit 354 at Springdale;
follow Frontage Rd to Hunters Ave for 2.1 miles;
west on Convict Grade Rd.

Please note that emergency response times will be increased during the closure.