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## Laramie's Curtis Street **Bridge demolished**

Aging structure gets new life this construction season



Crews with Reiman Corp. work to clear debris from the demolition of the Curtis Street bridge over Interstate 80 in Laramie in May. Construction on the new structure is anticipated to be completed by September, a fast turnaround for such a large project.

*By Andrea Staley* 

The aging Curtis Street Bridge over Interstate 80 in Laramie has been demolished – and just in time.

The 60-year-old bridge was demolished on May 16 with little issue by lead contractor Reiman Corp.

The bridge was built on the far north end of town, connecting Laramie's west side to the east. Throughout the years, many truck stops, hotels and businesses have amassed surrounding the bridge,

live traffic.

"The time to replace this bridge had definitely come, it was in poor condition and struggled to handle the amount of commercial truck traffic it receives," said Ryan Shields, District 1 Construction Engineer. "The new three-lane bridge will vastly improve traffic opera-

amenities to the structure, which serves as a gateway into the community.

"Overall, this will be an excellent project for the Laramie community," he said.

WYDOT has been planning this reconstruction for more than 10 years.

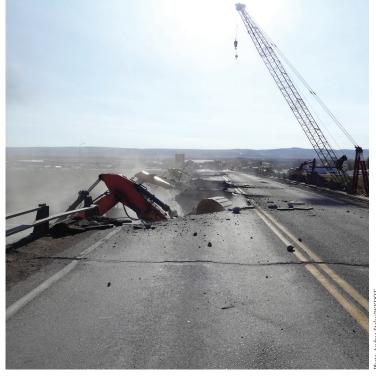
"Communicating with the city of Laramie and local businesses has been instrumental throughout the rebuild," said Resident Engineer Korv Cramer. "We understand our current detour impacts residential areas. We have been working tirelessly to ensure a safe and timely project for all. This new bridge will better serve the Laramie community once completed."

Construction is anticipated to be completed by September, a fast turnaround for such a large project.

"Weekly meetings and constant communication with our contractor has been beneficial on this project," said Sam Finkle, project engineer. "We feel confident that the work will be completed in the allotted time - barring any unforeseen circumstances."

While WYDOT strives to ensure safe travel for all, it is important to remind the public that work zones require drivers to have patience, avoid distractions like cell phones and to remember to follow all traffic control devices.

Crews and contractors – who are working throughout the summer on Wyoming's highways trying to mitigate impacts, maintain and construct roadways - also wish to make it home safely at the end of the day. Orange cones mean slow zone.



Crews with Reiman Corp. take chunks out of the Curtis Street bridge over Interstate 80 in Laramie during demolition May 16. The 60-year-old bridge had been deteriorating, causing yearly maintenance to allow live traffic.



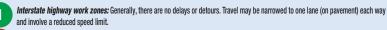
thus bringing exponential growth and commercial traffic to the area. The previous bridge had been deteriorating. causing yearly maintenance to allow

tions in the area."

Not only will the new bridge better accommodate the high volume of interstate truck traffic, it will also feature other amenities like a center turn lane, free right turn lanes and overall better connectivity between east and west Laramie.

Shields added that there will be a mixed-use pathway on the bridge, and the city of Laramie will be partnering in the project to provide decorative

#### Legend



Two-lane road projects: Motorists may be required to stop and wait to follow pilot cars. Usually, any delays are limited to 20 minutes or less and travel is on pavement.

Two-lane road projects: At times, motorists may have to drive on gravel or another temporary surface, typically for two miles or less. Delays are limited, there are no detours unless specifically noted but there may be a pilot car.

District-wide projects: Various locations, may involve reduced speeds.

Not every project is listed

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Not every project is insee Due to the unpredictable nature of the construction process, not all projects are active all the time. In addition, some short-term projects and smaller projects which disrupt traffic to a lesser degree are not listed. Completion dates are approximate.

Commercial vehicle operators: In work zones, size and weight restrictions may apply. Ask for details at any Wyoming port of entry or call (307) 777-4376. Current restrictions are also available on the Internet at <u>www.wycroad.info/highw</u> restrictions.html.

### **Northwest Wyoming - A**

A1 US 26/287 Dubois-Diversion Dam, Crowheart Section. Asphalt milling, overlay, chip seal. MM 72.13-85.03.

A2 District 5 bridge rehab. Grading, milling, pavement, bridge rehab, guardrail work. Locations: WYO 789 MM 90.59; WYO 120 MM 100.53. Delays expected.

A3 US 26/287 Moran Junction-Dubois. Buffalo Fork Section. Asphalt milling, overlay, chip seal, bridge rehab over Buffalo Fork of the Snake River. MM 2.2-7.53. Portable traffic signal. Delays expected.

A4 US 14/16/20 west of Cody. Yellowstone NP to Fishhawk Trailhead, MM 0.00 (Yellowstone east entrance)-MM 10.25 (Fishhawk Trailhead). Milling, paving, guardrail work. Delays expected. `1234567

A5 WYO 433 Worland-Manderson. Bridge replacements, reconstruction of roadway north of Worland. Demolition/reconstruction of 3 bridges, grading, asphalt pavement surfacing, fencing, chip sealing. MM 4.14-5.50. Delays expected.

A6 US 14A-Byron Streets. Asphalt pavement, electrical work, traffic control, sidewalk, curb/gutter, grading, surfacing, milling on 1.4 miles. Short delays expected.

A7 US 26-Riverton. Diversion Dam, Kinnear Section. Asphalt pavement milling, overlay, chip seal. MM 112.98-125.11. Delays expected.

A8 WY0 135-Riverton. Sand Draw, Beaver Rim section. MM 24.15-34.59. Chip seal of roadway and Sweetwater Station Rest Area to complete project in June. Delays expected.

A9 US 14A Lovell-Burgess Junction, Lovell East Section. Pavement leveling, paving, chip sealing and guardrail. MM 46.71-55.42. Delays expected.

A10 US 20/26 between Shoshoni and Casper, passing lane overlay. Asphalt paving, chip seal, traffic control and other work on seven sets of passing lanes. Includes work at the Waltman Rest Area.

A11 US 14/16/20 Cody-Yellowstone tunnel light replacement project. Removal/replacement of tunnel lighting system, installation of tunnel warning system. MM 45 to 1 mile east. Project work at night. Delays expected.

A12 US 310/WYO 789 Deaver-Montana State Line, Frannie Section. Pavement milling, overlay and chip seal. MM 249.49- 257.03. Delays expected. **(A13)** US 14A Garland-Byron. Sidon Canal Section. Pavement milling, overlay and chip sealing. MM 33.76-38. Delays expected.

A14 District 5 culvert lining project. Various locations on WYO 30 and US 20/WYO 789. Delays expected.

A15 District 5 guardrail project. Guardrail replacement. US 16 MM 34-35.5. Delays expected.

A16 Lovell-Burgess Junction warning system, US 14A. Electrical and signing. Replacement of blank-out sign, MM 68.5. Delays expected.

**A17** Thermopolis-Worland slope flattening project, US 20/WYO 789. Grading, drainage, asphalt pavement surfacing and other work. MM 141.78-145.51. Delays expected.

A18 Cottonwood Creek BROS bridge replacement project. Washakie CR 86. Removal, placement of bridge structure, asphalt paving, grading.

A19 Big Horn County Rd. 16 1/2, Georgia-Pacific Rd.. Asphalt paving and milling, grading, lining of existing

A20 Lander-Hudson, State School Section, WYO 789, MM 80.97-82.40. Asphalt paving, sidewalk, curb/gutter, milling, wearing course.

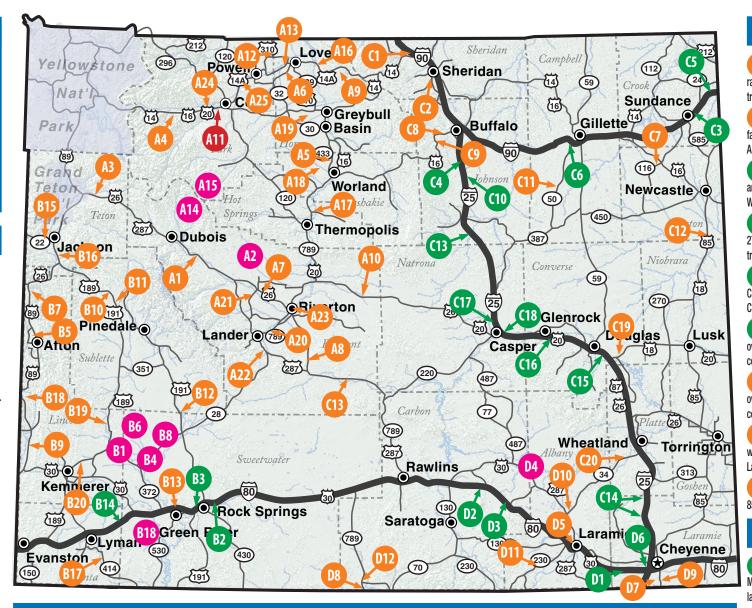
A21 Ethete-Kinnear, Johnstown Section, WYO 132, MM 15.19-17.39. Asphalt paving, milling, chip seal.

A22 Muddy Gap-Lander, Lyons Valley Section, US 287/ WYO 789, MM 80.16-81.03, MM 73.97-79.10. Asphalt milling/paving, bridge rehab, chip sealing, sidewalk curb/gutter.

A23 Riverton Streets, Little Wind River Pedestrian Bridge, WYO 789, MM 102.93, installing river barbs upstream of pedestrian bridge.

Cody-Yellowstone, Buffalo Bill Section, US
14/16/20, MM 36.41 (Trout Creek) to 41.69 (Buffalo Bill
State Park campground/boat launch). Settlement repair
– four locations, milling, overlay, chip sealing, slope
flattening; reclamation and cleanup follows.

A25 Badger Basin Section, WYO 294, MM 0 (intersection WYO 294/US 14A) to 9.84 northwest. Asphalt pavement overlay, chip sealing, minor slope flattening, guardrail repairs.



#### Southwest Wyoming - B

B1 Crack seal in various locations: Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater Counties. Bituminous surfacing, traffic control and other work.

**B2** I-80 Rock Springs East. MM 105-120. Bridge replacement, concrete paving in EB lane. Two-way traffic in WB lane. 16 ft. width restriction.

B3 Rock Springs/I-80 Interchange Rd.. Replace/reconstruct interchange – 0.81 miles.

**B4** Contract patch in various locations: Lincoln, Uinta, Sweetwater Counties. Bituminous surfacing, milling, traffic control and other work.

B5 WY0 89/Idaho border. MM 45-55. Box culvert install, guardrail, cold in-place recycling, paving, chip seal. One-lane traffic, portable signals/multiple sites 24/7. 12 ft. width restriction.

**B6** Chip seal in various locations: Sublette, Sweetwater Counties. Bituminous surfacing, chip seal, traffic control and other work.

B7 US 89 (MM 108.13)/Etna North: grading, draining, crushed base, bituminous surfacing, full-depth reclamation – 9.30 miles.

**B8** Epoxy striping in various locations: Sweetwater, Sublette, Teton Counties. Striping, traffic control and other work.

B9 Idaho-Smoot (Smoot South). Bituminous surfacing (recycle), traffic control, milling, chip seal on 7.10 miles of US 89 at MM 65.02 between Idaho and Smoot.

**B10** Daniel Jct.-Hoback Jct.. (40 Rod Flats Section) Bituminous surfacing (recycle), traffic control, fencing, milling, chip seal, bridge deck repair on 8.80 miles of US 189/191 at MM 111.27 between Daniel Jct. and Hoback Jct.

B11 Daniel Jct.-Bondurant Rd. (US 189/191) Fencing, grading, traffic control on 5.10 miles of US 189/191 at MM 131.28 between Daniel Jct. and Bondurant Rd..

**B12** Farson-Pinedale (County Line North) Bituminous surfacing (recycle), traffic control, milling, chip seal on 10.00 miles of US 191 at MM 51.62 between Farson and Pinedale.

**B13** Green River Streets WYO 530 through Green River. Electrical, sidewalk, curb/gutter, signing, surfacing (concrete), traffic control, grading, striping at various intersections in the town of Green River.

**B14** Lyman-Green River (Little America/I-80) Bituminous surfacing, milling, plant mix wearing course, traffic control on 11.90 miles in the EBL and WBL of I-80 at MM 65.44 between Lyman and Green River.

**B15** Jackson-Wilson Rd. (Snake River Bridge) Bridge replacement, grading, traffic control, surfacing, bituminous and concrete surfacing, fencing on 1.80 miles on WYO 22, WYO 390 between Jackson and Wilson Rd.

Evanston-Lyman (WYO 150) Electrical, surfacing (concrete), sidewalk, curb/gutter, traffic control, grading, striping at the interchange of I-80 and (Front Street) WYO 150 in the town of Evanston.

**B17** Mountain View-Lonetree (WYO 414) Bituminous surfacing, traffic control, guardrail, grading, milling on 9.40 miles on WYO 414 at MM 110.63 between Mountain View and Lonetree.

**B18** WY0 150 (MM 2.46), WY0 372 (MM 17)/ WYO 28 Jct. south. Sweetwater, Uinta Counties. Hot in-place recycling, resurfacing, bridge rehab, traffic control, chip seal, guardrail on 19.90 miles.

**B19** US 189-LaBarge/Big Piney Rd.. Grading, milling, crushed base, resurfacing, box culverts, cattle guards, guardrail, fencing, on 19.0 miles. Rd.-1.9 miles, fencing-14.9 miles, signing-2.2 miles (MM 86).

B20 US 189-(MM 53.50). Bituminous surfacing, cold in-place recycling, traffic control, grading, misc. work on 7.70 miles.

#### **Central & Northeast Wyoming - C**

US 14 Ranchester bridge. Replace structure over railroad tracks. Lane closure with signal and one-way traffic.

US 87/Downtown Sheridan Main Street. Resurfacing and utility upgrade. Closed from Dow Street to Alger Street.

G I-90 Sundance marginal. MM 187-192. Crack and seat with bridge repair. Head to head traffic in the WB lane. EB lane closed.

[4] I-25 Buffalo south to the district boundary. MM 272-279. Mill and Overlay. SB lane closed. Head to head traffic in NB lane.

C5 I-90 South Dakota State Line. MM 201-207. Crack and Seat with bridge repair. Westbound lane Closed. Head to head traffic in the eastbound lane.

**C6** I-90 Wild Horse section. MM 112-118. Mill and overlay with bridge repairs. Lane closures with traffic control.

WY0 116 Cundy Creek. MM 0-5.63. Mill and overlay with shoulder work. Lane closures with traffic control.

**C3** US 16 Buffalo West. MM 63-69. Mill and overlay with chip seal. Reduced speed limits and traffic control. Late June start.

US 16 Truck Arrester/CatchNET system. MM 85.40. CLOSED for reconstruction.

#### Southeast Wyoming - D

D1 I-80 between Laramie, Cheyenne. MM 324-331. Milling, paving and bridge rehabilitation in EB/WB lanes.

D2 I-80/Halleck Ridge. MM 245-252. Milling, paving, bridge and guardrail work in EB/WB lanes. Lane closures, reduced speeds.

**D3** I-80/Arlington. Milling, paving and bridge work. Lane closures, reduced speeds.

**D4** District-wide crack seal project. Contractor is intermittently working in southeast Wyoming.

D5 Curtis Street bridge replacement – Laramie.

**D6** Cheyenne Marginal – I-80 Roundtop Rd. bridges under construction.

(10) I-25 Buffalo South. MM 282-278. Wearing course application. Reduced speed limit, lane closures with traffic control.

WYO 50 Gillette south to Pine Tree Junction. MM 36-52. Mill/overlay. Reduced speed, traffic control.

US 85 Newcastle South to Mule Creek Junction. MM 195-202. Mill and overlay. Reduced speed, traffic control.

(13) I-25/Walsh Drive. Bridge replacement. MM 185.35-186.24.

**C14** I-25: Three bridge rehabilitation projects at MM 33, 45 and 46 in Laramie County.

(15) I-25 Bridge, surface rehabilitation between MM 138-142, NB and SB lanes.

(16) I-25: Surface, bridge rehabilitation. Fencing and other work in NB lanes between MM 160-175.

**C17** I-25: Five bridge replacements. Surfacing and other work between MM 189-190. Affects both NB and SB lanes.

(18) I-25: Surfacing and bridge rehabilitation between MM 219-227 in the Midwest area.

C19 US 18/20. Surfacing and chip seal between MM 0-17 (Orin Junction east).

(20) WYO 34. Surfacing between MM 45-52 in Platte County.

D7 Terry Ranch Rd./US 85. Milling, paving on US 85 between College Drive (US 85) and Terry Ranch Rd..

**D8** Baggs to CO state line, milling/paving, structure repair. Lane closures, reduced speeds.

(US 85) left turn lane to EB Chalk Bluffs Rd. safety project. Install of a SB (US 85) left turn lane to EB Chalk Bluffs Rd. Grading to widen US 85, milling and hot plant mix overlay, striping.

010 US 30/WYO 34 Junction east. MM 0-9.7. asphalt overlay, seal coating. Begins in June.

WYO 230; Lake Hattie Section. MM 2.4-11.5. Chip seal in June, continuation from last year's project. Scheduled to be completed in 5 days.

U12 WYO 789/WYO 70; Town of Baggs. WYO 789 MM 50-53/ WYO 70 MM 0-0.9. Mill, overlay, seal coat and structure work. Work begins in June.

