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Bridge Protection Project in Ravalli County

Hamilton — The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) would like to announce and invite the public to comment on a proposal to add bridge pier protection for the bridge that crosses the Bitterroot River. This bridge is about 3 miles south of Hamilton near the Angler' Roost fishing access.

Proposed work will repair streambed erosion occurring at two of the bridge piers located in the river. Large angular rock ("riprap") will be placed at the bottom of the bridge piers to protect them from future erosion.

Construction is tentatively planned for the winter of 2022 depending on completion of all project development activities and availability of funding. No new Right-of-Way or utility relocations will be needed.

An important part of properly planning for future projects is partnering with the community. The Montana Department of Transportation welcomes the public to provide ideas and comments on the proposed project. Comments may be submitted online at <http://www.mdt.mt.gov/contact/comment-form.aspx> or in writing to Montana Department of Transportation, Missoula office at PO Box 7039, Missoula, MT 59807-7039. Please note that comments are for project UPN 10206000.

The public is encouraged to contact Missoula District Preconstruction Engineer Jacquelyn Smith at (406) 544-5802 or Project Design Engineer Nathaniel Walters at (406) 523-5833.

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