



Sterling Highway MP 45-60 Project Updates

The purpose of this monthly report is to provide a snapshot update. For more detailed information on the project, please visit www.sterlinghighway.net.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Sterling Hwy MP 45-60 Project will reconstruct the east and west ends of the existing roadway from approximately MP 45-46.5 and MP 56-58 to widen shoulders, straighten the road, and add passing lanes. Between MP 46.5 and 55.5, the project will construct 10 miles of new roadway north of Cooper Landing and the Kenai River, including a new bridge spanning Juneau Creek Canyon.

This project will bring the highway up to current standards by efficiently and safely serving through-traffic, local community, and traffic bound for recreation destinations both now and in the future. Schedule goals are for construction to begin in 2020 and for the new highway to be open to traffic by the end of 2025.

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PROJECT UPDATE

Tasks Performed in October

- Request for proposal advertised for a construction manager/general contractor (CM/GC)
- Continued geotechnical investigation and survey efforts
- Placed additional wildlife cameras at wildlife crossing locations
- Convened an Agency Meeting in Cooper Landing October 29th
- Convened a Public Meeting in Cooper Landing on October 29th
- Submitted application for easement to DNR for State lands; special use permit applications submitted to KPB, and USFS

Tasks Anticipated for November

- Post public meeting materials on project website
- On-going effort on Phase 1 design and coordination
- Continued outreach to property owners

Near Term Schedule Goals

- Advertise clearing contract for Phases 3-5 (First Quarter 2020)
- Phase 1 Plans-in-Hand (65%) Design: January 2020
- Next public meeting February 2020



October 29, 2019 Public Meeting