

MONITEAU COUNTY ROUTE U OVER HOWARD CREEK BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Planned Improvements

The supporting structures of the Route U bridge over Howard Creek are in good condition, but the driving surface – the deck – has deteriorated and must be replaced. Planned improvements include:

- A new 28-foot wide deck - the same width as the existing structure.
- New concrete barriers to replace the current railing.
- New guardrail at all four corners.
- Additional work to take place on the supporting structures at the ends of the bridge - the end bents.

Traffic Impacts

- The bridge will be closed for the duration of construction, which is anticipated to last 65 consecutive days.
- Message boards will give at least one week advanced notice before the closure.
- A signed detour will not be used, but signs located ahead of the closure will alert motorists to use an alternate route.
- At the discretion of the contractor, Route U over Howard Creek can be closed simultaneously with Route 179 over Moniteau Creek.



Current Project Timeline

- **November 2024:** Contractors submit competitive bids.
- **December 2024:** Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission may award contract for work.
- **January 2025:** Earliest the contractor may begin work.
- **End of 2025:** Anticipated completion of project.

Estimated Cost

- \$800,000 including engineering and construction costs.*

**As of May 2024. This amount is subject to change.*



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