

June 16, 2020 thru June 30, 2020



**Highway
Department**

- 06-169-138 (north) on BC 77. Bent cap #5 is completed, Prahm Construction is currently working on removing the coffer dam around bent cap #5 and is working on placing coffer dam on bent #4, but have had to extend the foot print of the coffer dam due to a previously placed structure that the concrete was never removed and also trees within the river bed itself.

I spoke with SDDOT John Ritterhaus and he feels at this time the completion date of August 15, 2020 is not realistic. Rest assured the contractor has been working every day and John is confident the opening date will not be pushed back far but mid-September or early October date seems to be more realistic. John has asked the contractor to put together a timeline to address the new anticipated completion date barring any other unforeseen setbacks. I will update the commission as I have been at the regularly scheduled commission meetings.

- 06-169-139 (south), structure is completed. Approach grading is needed.
- Brookings County 2020 Asphalt surfacing project:
 - Mile Stone #1. Notice to proceed issued June 15, 2020 Substantial Completion certificate issued June 25, 2020
 - BC Road 6 between BC 77 & BC 7, asphalt milling and 2" asphalt surfacing completed.
 - Brookings County Crews have been dressing the shoulders and tying back into township roads, residential, and farm & field entrances.
 - Mile Stone #2. Notice to Proceed issued June 25, 2020
 - BC Road 4 between US 81 and BC 4, asphalt milling completed. 2" asphalt surfacing has been started. The asphalt contractor has since left the project as of June 26, 2020 and as of today June 30, 2020 they have not returned. Milestone #2 has a 14 calendar day window for Substantial Completion.
 - Mile Stone #3, surface has been milled, no work since milling.
- June 18, 2020. Brookings County crews placed multiple loads of rip rap along BC 10 near Highway 81 where the SDDOT raised the grade of Highway 81 due to high water. Due to high winds that were sustained for nearly 4 days straight the waves crashing against BC 10's road grade the water began deteriorating the southern shoulder of the road. I am looking at possible options in order to address this issue in a more permanent manner, I wanted to make the commission aware that in the future this is an expense coming. Will keep the board updated when I gather more information.
- June 25, 2020 we were awarded 1 Federal Grant of \$364,678 (81.95%), with Brookings county (18.05%) match of \$80,322.
- Aside from that the other items we have been working on include.
 - Replacing culverts on BC 4 (1), BC 7 (2), BC 8 (2) and BC 9 (9)
 - Asphalt patching after culvert installation.
 - Mowing, our goal is to have all Brookings County hard surfaced roads mowed before July 4th

- I wanted to discuss with the commission about the purchase of a trailer (\$17,129) that I had in the claims, this was an unbudgeted expense. But my budget will be able to absorb the cost as we will most likely be deferring the purchase of pickup which was budgeted at \$45,000, most likely a plow truck \$230,000 and the purchase of the service truck came in at \$49,500 and we had \$100,000 budgeted.
 - Our biggest issue we have is we didn't have a trailer long enough to handle the 1 piece culverts we have been installing.
 - This trailer we enable us to haul our backhoe and the tracked skid loader.
 - This trailer is an asset that we will find multiple uses for on top of the above mentioned.
- I received multiple quotes for other brands of trailers but due to Covid 19 other equipment suppliers were not able to produce something within the time frame we were looking at, I did custom order this trailer with tie down rings spaced 4' apart.
- I would also like to look at purchasing a side dump trailer this year yet also. I have reached out to multiple suppliers for them already but we can also purchase this item off of Sourcewell from 1 or 2 of the sources.