

Project Update

Start Date: November 1, 2005

Contractor/Contracts: PCL-Maxam, A Joint Venture

Proposed Completion: August 2007

Percent Complete: 70%

Completed Activities

The traffic circle and related works is complete at the Valley Ridge interchange with exception of minor cleanup and landscaping. Reconstruction of West Valley Road has started adjacent to Trans-Canada Highway. Major import of earthwork material for the new roadways is near completion.

Bridge #1, immediately east of the Stoney Trail intersection, is complete with the exception of minor finishing. Concrete bridge deck placement is complete on all three bridges.

Project Status for Spring 2007

The contractor has begun placing the gravel and asphalt pavement for the interchange. This includes the connection of the new ramps to Stoney Trail and Trans-Canada Highway. Temporary lane closures and traffic delays are anticipated. West Valley Road between 101 Street and the Valley Ridge Interchange should be completed this spring.

Bridgeworks continue on the bridges on the eastbound to northbound ramp. Bridges #2 and #3, which are east of Bridge #1 are progressing with curing of the bridge decks and construction of the concrete barriers.

The installation of overhead guide signs and street lighting is anticipated to commence.

Next Steps

The remaining earthworks, gravel and paving will be completed in stages as traffic is shifted from it's current location to the new roadways. These stages are summarized as follows:

- Following the reconstruction of West Vally Road, 101 Street connection to Trans-Canada Highway will be permanently closed. Access to 101 Street will be via the Valley Ridge interchange.
- This closure will allow for the completion of the eastbound to northbound ramp.
- The opening of this ramp permits the final construction of the southbound to eastbound ramp.
- At this time the signal lights on Trans-Canada Highway will be permanently removed.
- A slight re-alignment of Trans-Canada Highway and centre barrier will be constructed concurrently with some of the aforementioned work.

Construction Information

Information on subsequent phases will be provided in future updates.

Speed reductions will be in place and off-peak lane closures will be required periodically. On occasion, nighttime work and associated detours and lane closures will be necessary. Signs will be placed to notify motorists in advance. Drivers should be aware the fines for speeding in a construction zone are doubled when workers are present.

For more information on this project please call (403) 716-8198 or email transportation.calgary@stantec.com.