



Oregon Department of Transportation

NOTICE OF ROAD WORK

Nov. 10, 2015 Update



US 395-C Culvert Replacement Project

Full road closure scheduled Nov. 4-14, south of Canyon City

The Oregon Department of Transportation will be replacing two culverts under U.S. 395 (John Day-Burns Hwy.) in November. The Sheep Gulch Culvert near mile post 6.1-C and the Vance Creek Culvert near mile post 11-C are insufficient to handle water and debris flows anticipated due to erosion issues left after the Canyon Creek Complex Fire that burned through the area in August and September. The U.S. Forest Services is estimating a 100 to 650 percent increase in water and debris flow along several creeks that drain off the mountainside into Canyon Creek and other local tributaries. The project will replace the culverts with new structures that are designed to accommodate the anticipated flows. These culverts need to be replaced immediately.



TRAFFIC IMPACTS: To facilitate the project **U.S. 395 will be closed between mile post 2.5-C (near Adams Rd.) and 15.5-C (near Starr Campground / FR 4920) for about 10 days beginning November 4th**. The highway closure will be followed by several days of single lane travel controlled by flaggers while crews continue the project. ODOT will work with local fire/emergency service providers and private property owners located between the two work sites to help accommodate critical needs as much as possible during the closure.

DETOUR ROUTE: There is **no established local detour around the work sites for through traffic**. Travelers will need to detour along U.S. Hwy. 26 to Vale, then back along U.S. Hwy. 20 to Burns, or take other alternate routes **that remain passable in wintertime**.

Motorists are cautioned to be aware that detour directions given by GPS navigation devices may put them on forest roads and other remote routes not maintained for winter travel or suitable for their vehicles. Be safe, plan extra travel time and stay on main highways.

“It is critical to address these culverts now, before rain and spring snow melt,” said ODOT District 14 Manager Paul Woodworth. “If the existing culverts get plugged due to debris and excessive run-off, the highway could be washed out, resulting in a possible month-long highway closure. Our goal is to control the closure timing and mitigate potential long-term impacts due to a wash-out event.”

ODOT appreciates everyone’s patience and cooperation during this much needed project.

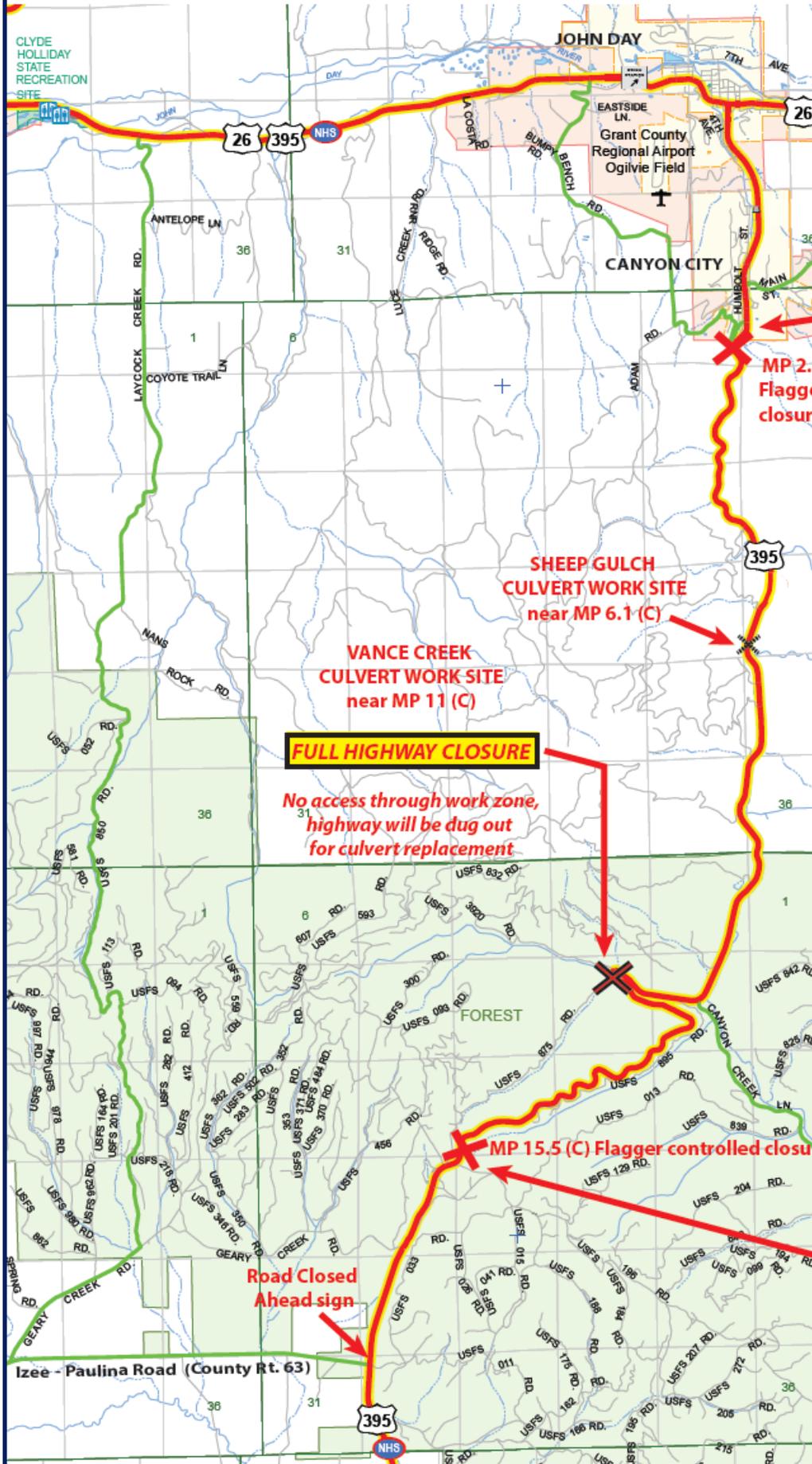
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U.S. 395 CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Hwy. will be closed Nov. 4 - 14, between mile posts (MP) 2.5 and 15.5 (C)



MP 2.5 (C) near Adams St.
Flagger controlled closure

**U.S. 395
CLOSED TO THROUGH
TRAFFIC MP 2.5-15.5 (C)
Nov. 4-14**

Only emergency, contractor
and other authorized traffic
will be allowed between
MP 2.5 and 11 (C)

FULL HIGHWAY CLOSURE

No access through work zone,
highway will be dug out
for culvert replacement

MP 15.5 (C) Flagger controlled closure

Road Closed
Ahead sign