

The Board of Commissioners office released the following road related information:

COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY REPORT

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SANDLAKE-GALLOWAY ROAD PROJECT STATUS

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced that the bid protest related to the Sandlake-Galloway Road project has been resolved. The project contract was awarded on June 24, 2002 to ELTE Construction. ELTE Construction was the apparent low bidder during the original bid opening in March 2002.

The contractor will receive Notice To Proceed on July 15, 2002. On that day there will be a pre-construction meeting involving the contractor, representatives from FHWA, the County Road Department and others involved in the project. During this meeting exact details of the contractor schedule will be announced.

The bid protest delay has caused the expected project schedule to shift. During Summer 2002 primary contractor activities will include clearing, grubbing, seeding, surveying, monumentation and materials ordering. Substantial road, bridge and culvert work will start Spring/Summer 2003. Due to the project delay resulting from the bid protest, FHWA authorized a change order pushing the project completion date from Nov 2003 to October 2004.

The project work time windows are tightly controlled by environmental, in-water and wetlands work restrictions. Due to the project delay, the allowed in-water work windows for 2002 will be missed and that work will be accomplished starting in 2003.

ELTE Construction is from Boring, Oregon. Of the 12 sub-contractors working for ELTE Construction, several will be from the Tillamook area.

As further information becomes available, appropriate news releases will be published.

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(the above information was only a portion of the entire Weekly Report)