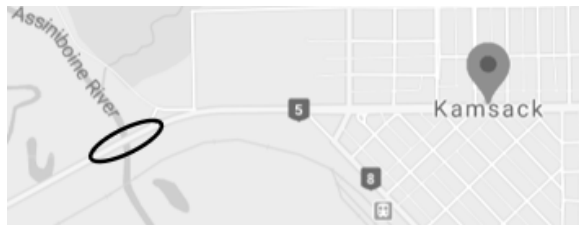


Bridge Replacement Coming to Kamsack in July

Saskatchewan's Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure is replacing the bridge on Highway 5, just west of Kamsack and adjacent to Broda Park, which crosses the Assiniboine River as illustrated and marked below.



The Ministry contracted WSP Canada Inc. (WSP), a globally recognized Canadian consulting engineering firm with multiple offices across the country, to manage and oversee the entire project. The construction will be carried out by HB Construction Inc. (HBC), a professional commercial contractor and bridge builder located in Hudson Bay Saskatchewan. Both companies have COVID-19 procedures in place to ensure the safety of their staff, the public and our community as a whole; including increased Personal Protective Equipment and a limited number of personnel on site at any given time.

Construction is scheduled to officially begin on July 1st of this year and the entire project should be completed by October 4th, 2020. However, you may see both WSP and HBC staff on site before construction starts in order to plan out and prepare the site.

During construction, traffic will be rerouted to a temporary detour bridge located next to the existing bridge. The public should expect minor delays, ranging from 5 to 10 minutes, and disruptions along Highway 5 as the temporary detour will be reduced to a single lane and controlled by traffic signals. The detour and traffic signals will be controlled and maintained

throughout the duration of the project by qualified HBC staff. Signs will also be posted along Highway 5 and the temporary detour.

The detour will be approximately 4.3 meters in width and capable of accommodating legal loads. As a result, the temporary route should not interfere with farming and harvesting equipment. Overweight and over-dimension vehicles will still be required to follow the regular permitting process. Motorists will also be required to drive at a lower speed, 60 kilometers per hour or less, within the construction zone. Signs will be posted.

The new bridge, once it is completed, will have an increased lifespan of 75 years and a width of 12.2 meters, or 40 feet. Both are significant improvements when compared to our existing bridge and should easily meet Kamsack's traffic needs.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this project in greater detail, please contact Kamsack's Town Office at **(306) 542-2155** or email **town.of.kamsack@sasktel.net** and we will work with the Ministry, hired contractors and other local stakeholder to address your inquiry as soon as possible.

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