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Tribal Broadband Modernization Project Construction
Travel Impacts on CO Hwy 172 and Three Springs Boulevard

Project News: Bonfire Engineering will begin construction on two separate sections as outlined in Phase I of the tribal broadband project. The first section will begin at the intersection of CO Highway 172 and US Highway 160, heading south on CO Highway 172 to the Town of Ignacio. The second section will begin at the intersection of Confluence and Three Springs Boulevard also going south on Three Springs Boulevard ending at the intersection of US Highway 160.

Where: Crews will start on construction of Section 1 at the intersection of CO Highway 172 and US Highway 160 working south on CO Highway 172 towards the Town of Ignacio. Section 2 will begin at the intersection of Confluence Avenue and Three Springs Boulevard southbound towards the intersection with US Highway 160. Construction will take place along the shoulder of the roadway. Please see attached map.

What: The broadband project will include trenching, boring, and plowing to lay fiber, as well as reclamation and seeding. Construction vehicles and fiber spools will be visible on the shoulder.

When: Construction on both sections will begin on Wednesday, July 27, 2022, and conclude on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. Hours of operation will be from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Travel Impact: Traffic lanes will be narrowed on both CO Highway 172 and Three Springs Boulevard. Motorists will be required to reduce speeds and travel safely around the construction taking place on the side of the road. Please remember to slow down in construction zones, eliminate distractions and drive with extra caution. Motorists are also urged to watch for workers and equipment along the roadway.

In the event of an emergency or to report a reckless driver, please contact Southern Ute Police Department by dialing (970) 563-4401 or the La Plata County Sheriff’s Office at (970) 385-2900.

To find more information about the Tribal Broadband Modernization Project, please visit the project website at https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/broadband-modernization-project/