

UPDATE ON BRIDGE OVER COLDWATER CREEK ON OUIMET CANYON ROAD

Recently Dorion Council attended a special meeting with JML Engineering, and KEM, the contractor, to discuss the progress and a problem related to the construction to replace the bridge over Coldwater Creek on the Ouimet Canyon Road.

Due to higher than normal rain [300 mm or 12 inches during September, October and early November 2018], along with delivery delays, construction has ceased, and the site will be secured over the winter. The work will commence in the spring of 2019 and hopefully be completed by early summer. The detour will continue until then.

Obviously, Council, the Engineers and the Contractor are very disappointed, since the project is so close to completion. All that remains is the continuation of backfilling and packing, road preparation, paving and installation of guard rails. The contractor is taking steps to expedite the construction in the spring – e. g. stockpile fill to the site this fall to avoid issues with half load limits on the detour next spring. Be assured that the entire Ouimet Canyon Road will be open as soon as possible.

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