

SR 522 construction: Rock blasting starts in July



We're gearing up to start rock blasting work along SR 522 this summer. During blasting, we must fully close the highway to keep crews and drivers safe. We will also secure the area around the blasting site to keep nearby residents safe.

The details

- Scheduled start: July 30, 2012
- Estimated end: mid-2013
- 300,000 cubic yards of rock to remove from two slopes
- Up to 150 full closures of SR 522
- Closures will be 10:15-11:15 a.m. on weekdays; expect 3-5 closures each week

What can you expect during the blasting work?

To keep drivers safe, we will fully close the roadway in both directions during the blasting work. Drivers can plan an alternate route or follow a signed detour using SR 9 and US 2. The detour will add 10 miles and 20 minutes to trips, depending on destination and current traffic conditions. We'll use electronic signs and highway advisory radio to alert drivers to the closures. You can also use our online tools and hotline to plan for upcoming closures.

Blasting is interesting work, but we ask that you stay safely away from the work zone and resist the temptation to get a closer view. We'll post video and photos of the work on our website.

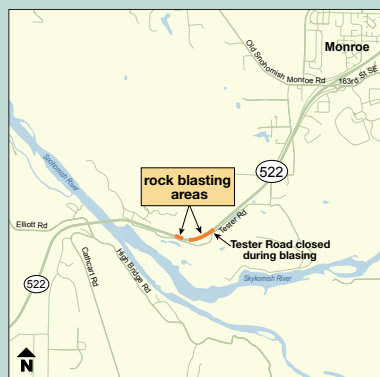


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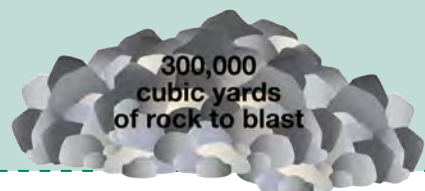
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Rock-blasting areas



Rock-blasting detour route



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