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HAILEY TO INSTALL NEW IN-ROADWAY PEDESTRIAN CROSSING LIGHTS

(Hailey, Idaho) City of Hailey Local Option Tax funds are being used to install two new sets of in-roadway pedestrian crossing lights on Highway 75 at the Croy St and Myrtle St intersections. These systems provide flashing LED lights to warn vehicles when a pedestrian is in the intersection, even in the daylight. Installation is scheduled to begin May 27, 2008 with completion within two weeks. During a portion of the installation Highway 75 will be closed down to one lane. This project was championed by former Mayor Susan McBryant in response to citizens' concerns with the safety of crossing Highway 75.

The solar powered units were purchased from two different companies – Lightguard Systems, Inc. and Traffic Safety Corp. –to provide a comparison of the systems. Information on the two systems can be found at www.lightguardsystems.com and www.xwalk.com.

The Local Option Tax was adopted in June, 2006 following a vote by the citizens of Hailey which authorized uses of the funds, including transportation enhancements and sidewalks.

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