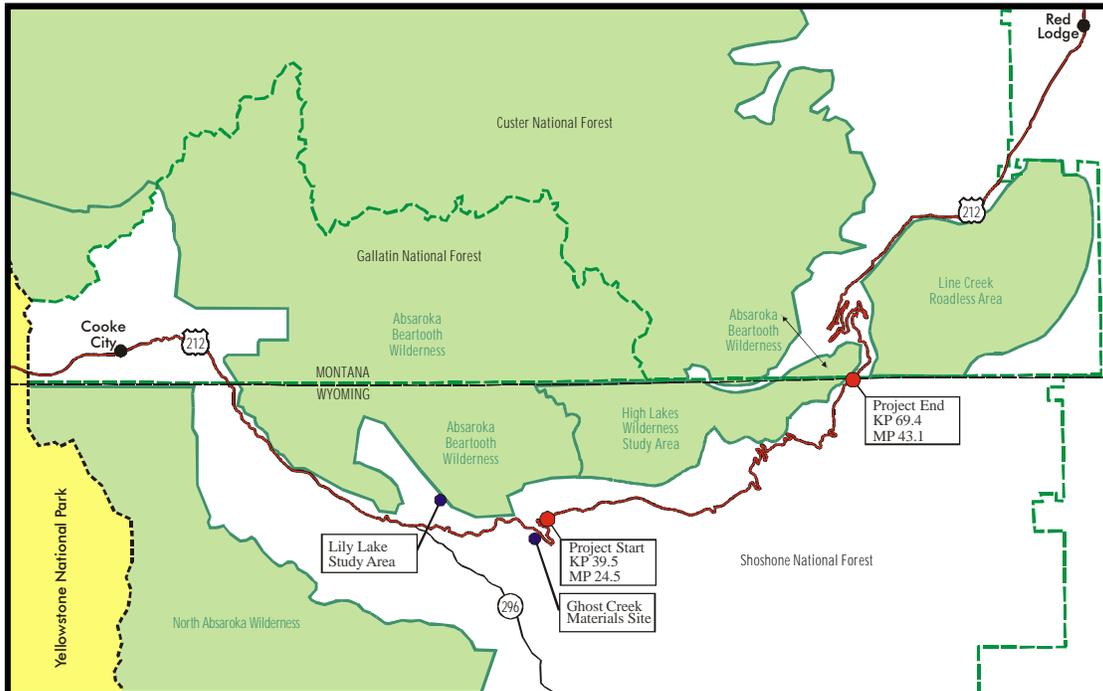


Project Location and Funding



The Beartooth Highway is a 110.5-kilometer (68.7-mile) route that begins at the northeast entrance to Yellowstone National Park and ends in Red Lodge, Montana. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the U. S. Forest Service, the National Park Service, and the Wyoming Department of Transportation, proposes to reconstruct a portion of the highway that lies entirely within Wyoming. The proposed project begins just west of the Clay Butte turnoff, traverses east over Beartooth Pass, and ends at the Montana/Wyoming state line.

In 1998, the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act authorized rehabilitation and minor widening of the road. With the passage of the Transportation Efficiency Act for the 21st Century later in 1998, the Beartooth Highway was identified as a high priority project and additional funding became available for the environmental review, planning, design, and reconstruction. The development of an Environmental Impact Statement will be part of the environmental review process.

