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(Wyo.)-Beavers Outsmart Crews Near Grand Tetons

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MOOSE, Wyo. (AP) - Some beavers are threatening to flood a road in Grand Teton National Park.

The Moose-Wilson Road will be closed from 2 p.m. Monday until 8 a.m. Tuesday while park workers try once more to fix the problem without disturbing the animals.

The beaver family recently built a dam in a wetlands area along the road. The resulting pond now threatens to flood the road.

Last month, park workers installed a system of perforated pipes to try to slightly lower the level of the beaver pond. But the beavers were crafty. They plugged the pipes with mud.

The plan now is to install longer pipes that will take in water farther away from the beaver dam. Park workers hope that the beavers will be less inclined to plug up these pipes.

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