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Beam Placement Starts Early Saturday at Swedesford Road Bridge

Deck Placement Coming Up at Church Road Span

With concrete poured for the new abutment walls and median pier at the new Swedesford Road Bridge over Route 202, PennDOT's contractor will set the last four concrete beams for the northern half of the new bridge. Placement of the deck beams will take place Saturday morning (Sept. 13).

The contractor is scheduled to work from Midnight until 10 AM Saturday. A large crane will be positioned in the median to hoist the beams into place over the northbound and southbound lanes of Route 202.

The nighttime operations will require lane closures and brief traffic stoppages of up to 15 minutes in both directions on Route 202.

Work on the bridge also will close Swedesford Road between Planebrook Road/ Phoenixville Pike and Church Road from 10 PM Friday until 10 AM Saturday. A posted detour will take traffic over Church Road, Route 30, and Planebrook Road.

The projected work schedule is subject to change and is weather dependent. The scheduled lane and

road closures will be postponed until Saturday night/Sunday morning in the event of rain.

This work must be done at night because lane closures are not permitted on Route 202 during the heavily traveled daylight hours.

Nighttime work can also be expected during the week of Sept. 15 as the contractor installs protective shielding under the new beams.

In the next phase of construction on the Swedesford Road span, workers will place a water main on the new bridge and then begin construction of the new bridge's deck.

The Swedesford Road Bridge, which is located between Church Road and Phoenixville Pike/Planebrook Road, is being replaced a half-at-a-time. The southern half of the structure was completed in late spring. Construction of the northern half is now underway and will continue into November 2008. The projected work schedules are subject to change.

Bridge Deck Placement to start soon at the Church Road Bridge

With the new concrete beams in place at the new Church Road bridge, the contractor has been placing telephone, electric, water and gas utilities on the bridge. Crews also are preparing to pour the new concrete deck, which is projected to be done before the end of September.

The Church Road Bridge, which crosses Route 202 south of the Route 401 Interchange, was closed to traffic in March 2008 and will remain closed through the end of October 2008.

PennDOT is replacing these bridges, along with four others, in order to provide room to add a third northbound and southbound travel lane on Route 202 between North Valley Road and Route 30.

Scope of the Section 310 project

Route 202, Section 310 improvements are:

- Widen the Swedesford Road/Phoenixville Pike/Planebrook Road intersection. **FINISHED**
- Widen the Route 401/Phoenixville Pike intersection. **FINISHED**
- Widen Route 401 from Phoenixville Pike to the Moores Road intersection. **FINISHED**
- Reconstruct the Mill Lane Bridge over Route 202. **FINISHED**
- Reconstruct the Swedesford Road Bridge over Route 202. **SOUTHERN HALF FINISHED**
- Reconstruct the Church Road overpass.
- Stabilize the stream at the East Whiteland Ecology Park and the former 84 Lumber Site. **FINISHED**
- Construct wetland and post- construction storm water management sites. **FINISHED**

Interim Paving Underway on Route 202

A nighttime paving contract is currently underway on Route 202 between the Route 252 and Route 100 interchanges. This maintenance contract will improve the skid resistance of the pavement and provide a smooth riding surface until the Section 300 widening and reconstruction is underway.

Swedesford Road Bridge Construction



Church Road Bridge Construction



About this Newsletter: The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is producing this newsletter to be distributed regularly to inform residents of the status of construction of Route 202, Section 310 and provide a look-ahead at upcoming operations. Questions, comments or suggestions relating to this newsletter or the Route 202, Section 300 projects may be e-mailed to info@us202-300.com. This newsletter may also be viewed online at www.us202-300.com.