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PennDOT to Reconstruct I-83, Rt. 124 at Exit 18 for Mount Rose Avenue

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) District 8 today announced that work is underway to reconstruct Interstate 83 and Route 124, locally known as Mount Rose Avenue, at Exit 18 east of the City of York in Springettsbury Township, York County.

The contractor has cleared trees from portions of the project to prepare for new ramp construction and widening, and has begun installing seven temporary stormwater detention basins that must be in place before major earthmoving activities can begin. Once construction of these detention basins is completed in the coming weeks, long-term traffic patterns on I-83, Route 124, Camp Betty Washington Road, Haines Road, and Green Hill Road will be implemented in order to complete the required construction activities.

This work is part of the \$58.3 million contract that was awarded on March 24 to Cherry Hill Construction Inc., of Jessup, Maryland, and includes the reconstruction and widening of a 1.3-mile section of I-83 and the reconfiguration of the Exit 18 interchange ramps for Route 124, Mount Rose Avenue. The reconfigured ramps will include two new loop ramps on the south side of the interchange which will eliminate the existing left turns from eastbound Route 124 to I-83 North and from I-83 South to eastbound Route 124. Portions of Route 124, Camp Betty Washington Road, Haines Road, and Green Hill Road will also be reconstructed and widened to facilitate traffic flow around the interchange. The entire project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2018.

Two lanes of traffic in each direction of I-83 will be maintained during daylight hours throughout the project. More than 60,000 vehicles per day travel on this section of I-83.

PennDOT advises motorists that they may encounter single lane restrictions on I-83 in both directions during overnight hours, 9 PM to 6 AM. Eventually overnight detours of I-83 traffic will be required at times for removal of the existing bridge beams and placement of the new beams on the Route 124 bridge over I-83.

All lanes of traffic on Route 124 and Camp Betty Washington Road north of Mount Rose Avenue will be maintained during the daytime hours with short-term lane restrictions possible during the overnight hours. More information on specific changes to existing traffic patterns will be provided as construction progresses.

The structure work on the project includes the construction of four new bridges, replacement and widening of three existing bridges, widening of three existing box culverts, construction of one new box culvert, and construction of two new sound walls.

The project also includes new traffic signals at six intersections with adaptive traffic signal control, updated drainage and guiderail, signing and pavement markings, utility relocations, highway lighting, Mill Creek stream relocation and mitigation, and closed-circuit television traffic camera installation.

Motorists are asked to be alert to these operations, to pay attention to the work zone signs, and to slow down when approaching and traveling through the work area for their safety as well as for the safety of the work crews.

Motorists can check conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles by visiting www.511PA.com. 511PA, which is free and available 24 hours a day, provides traffic delay warnings, weather forecasts, traffic speed information and access to more than 700 traffic cameras, 94 of which are in the Midstate.

511PA is also available through a smartphone application for iPhone and Android devices, by calling 5-1-1, or by following regional Twitter alerts accessible on the 511PA website.

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