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Potters Mills Project Update for Early June *Alternating flagging planned for mid-month*

State College, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is issuing an early June update for its Route 322/Potters Mills Gap project in southeast Centre County. Up-to-date information can be found on the PMG Project page at www.penndot.gov/pottersmillsgap.

Drivers can expect the following June 10 through 14:

- **On Thursday and Friday, June 13 and 14, drivers should remain alert for the potential of 15-minute stops in each direction for slope excavation work on Route 322 between Route 144 and Decker Valley Road. These stops are planned in the interest of public safety. Should they be necessary, they will take place during daylight hours.**
- A mile east of Potters Mills, the crossover from Decker Valley Road to Sand Mountain Road remains in place, with one lane open in each direction. This crossover will continue through September.
- Within the crossover, there is a **14-foot width restriction for westbound traffic and a 15-foot width restriction for eastbound traffic**. These width restrictions will also be in place through September.
- Work will also continue off the roadway and drivers should **be alert for construction vehicles entering and exiting Route 322** through the Potters Mills area.
- Short-term blasting operations may also take place. **This may make roadway flagging necessary, creating intermittent and brief traffic stops.**

Additionally, drivers need to be aware that roadway flagging is planned beginning June 17 and running through June 28 each weekday between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. The flagging will enforce an alternating traffic pattern along Route 322 between Route 144 and Decker Valley Road. The flagging is necessary for utility relocation work. Delays could be lengthy due to traffic volumes and drivers should consider alternate routes.

This is the third and final phase of a construction project dating back to 2015. Phase One of the project constructed the new bridge at Sand Mountain Road. Phase Two created the new local interchange on Route 322 at Sand Mountain Road. The goal of Phase Three is to reconstruct Route 322 from Sand Mountain Road to Potters Mills – including a new Route 322/Route 144 intersection. The completed project will alleviate congestion and allow traffic to move more safely and efficiently from the Centre/Mifflin County line to Potters Mills.

Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. of State College is the contractor on this \$82 million project.

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