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## **Potters Mills Update for Mid-October**

**State College, PA** – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is issuing a mid-October update for its Route 322/Potters Mills Gap project in southeast Centre County.

Up-to-date information can also be found on the PMG Project page at [www.penndot.gov/pottersmillsgap](http://www.penndot.gov/pottersmillsgap).

- **One lane in each direction (eastbound and westbound) is open on the new Route 322 alignment.**
- **Up to Decker Valley Road, local traffic can use old Route 322 as a local access road.**
- **Drivers are strongly encouraged to follow traffic/directional signs through the project. GPS information does not appear to be up-to-date and may encourage drivers to deviate from their needed route.**
- Anyone travelling Route 144 and planning to head east, will need to make a right turn at the old Route 144/322 intersection in Potters Mills. This will allow drivers to access the new ramp for eastbound Route 322.
- **Drivers travelling Route 144 and wishing to travel west, will need to make a right turn at the old Route 144/322 intersection in Potters Mills. This will allow drivers to access the new ramp for westbound Route 322.**
- **Motorists are reminded that work continues on portions of the project.** Flaggers in the roadway may be aiding construction vehicle movements. Do not follow construction equipment into the work area.
- Motorists are reminded that passing is not permitted when traveling through the work zone. Any motorist convicted of a passing violation in an active work zone faces a \$50 fine and three points on their driver's license.
- There is a 14-foot width restriction throughout the project from Mountain Back Road to Sand Mountain Road.

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.

Motorists can check conditions on major roadways by visiting [www.511PA.com](http://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 1,000 traffic cameras.

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