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## **Potters Mills Update Through End of July**

**State College, PA** – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is issuing an end of July 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).

**Drivers can expect the following July 29 through August 2:**

- Short-term blasting operations may also take place. **These operations may make roadway flagging necessary, creating intermittent and brief traffic stops.**
- There are no flagging operations scheduled and the westbound detour using Route 144 north and Route 45 west will not be in effect.
- **There is a 12-foot width restriction on the western end of the project between Route 144 and Mountain Back Road. This restriction will be in effect until the fall of 2020.**
- **Drivers should be alert for construction vehicles entering and exiting Route 322 through the construction zone. There is a potential to encounter flaggers in the roadway aiding construction vehicles entering or exiting the roadway, but no significant delays are expected. Do not follow construction equipment into the work area.**
- 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.

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 are encouraged to “Know Before They Go” by checking conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles 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 950 traffic cameras.

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