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Nighttime Closures Planned for Overhead Sign Installation on I-81 Ramps to Front Street in Dauphin County

Work on ramp from NB I-83 to SB I-81 also planned; detours will be in place

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today that overnight closures are planned for the ramps from northbound and southbound Interstate 81 to North and South Front Street (Exit 66) in Dauphin County so a contractor can install overhead signs over the highway. This work also is planned on the southbound I-81 ramps to southbound I-83.

Some of this work was previously expected to be performed August 10-11.

The closures for I-81 to Front Street will be from 9:00 PM Wednesday, August 23, to 6:00 AM Thursday, August 24. Work on the ramps from northbound I-81 to North and South Front Street will be from 9:00 PM Wednesday to 1:00 AM Thursday.

Work will then switch to the ramps from southbound I-81 to North and South Front Street. This work will be performed from 1:00 AM to 6:00 AM Thursday.

Northbound I-81 traffic to Front Street should continue north on I-81 to Exit 67B (westbound Route 22/322/Lewistown/State College), take westbound Route 22/322 to the Route 39 (Linglestown Road) exit, then take eastbound Route 22/322 to southbound I-81 to Front Street.

Southbound I-81 traffic to Front Street should continue south on I-81 to the Exit 65 (southbound Route 11/15/Enola), then return on northbound I-81 to Front Street.

Should inclement, weather or other unforeseen events delay this work, it will be performed on Thursday night during the same hours.

On Thursday night, overhead sign work will be performed on the ramp from northbound I-83 to southbound I-81. This work will begin at 10:00 PM Thursday and will be completed by 6:00 AM Friday.

A detour will be in place. Motorists should take Exit 51B (northbound I-81/Hazleton/Allentown) to proceed north on I-81 to Exit 72B (Linglestown), then back on southbound I-81.

This work is part of a project that includes bridge preservation work, approach pavement work, sign and sign structure replacements, and other miscellaneous construction on I-81 from Progress Avenue in the City of Harrisburg to the Susquehanna River at the George N. Wade

Bridge in Susquehanna Township, and on Route 22 from Elmerston Avenue to about 0.5 miles north of I-81 in the city.

Travelers are reminded to be alert for these operations, to obey work zone signs, and to slow down when approaching and traveling through work zones for their safety as well as for the safety of the road crews.

The contractor continues repairs to bridge substructures. There are no traffic impacts for this work.

Deblin, Inc., of Mechanicsburg, PA, is the prime contractor on this \$9,884,046 project. This project is expected to be completed by October 27, 2023.

Motorists can check conditions on major roadways 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 1,000 traffic cameras.

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