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## Lane Restrictions Next Week for Overhead Sign Installations on I-81 in Dauphin County

Nighttime closures planned for sign work on I-81 Ramps to Front Street; Work at ramp from NB I-83 to SB I-81 postponed

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today that nighttime lane restrictions will be in place next week for overhead sign installations on Interstate 81 in Dauphin County. This work is in addition to previously announced overnight closures for the ramps from northbound and southbound Interstate 81 to North and South Front Street (Exit 66) in Dauphin County so signs can be installed over the highway.

Weather permitting, overhead sign installations will occur on southbound I-81 between Exit 67 (Route 22/230 East/Route 22/322 West) and Exit 66 (Front Street) from 9:00 PM Monday, August 21, to 6:00 AM Tuesday, August 22. This work will require the two right lanes of southbound I-81 to be closed between the exits.

This work also will be performed on northbound I-81 between Exit 65 (Route 11/15/Enola/Marysville) and Exit 66 (Front Street) from 9:00 PM Tuesday, August 22, to 6:00 AM Wednesday, August 23. The contractor first will close the right two lanes, then shift to the left two lanes.

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.

Overhead sign planned for the night of Thursday, August 24, on the ramp from northbound I-83 to southbound I-81 will be rescheduled.

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 Elmerton 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.

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