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Travel Restrictions Next Week on U.S. 422 in Valley Forge Area

King of Prussia, PA – Travel restrictions are scheduled next week on U.S. 422 in Upper Merion and West Norriton townships, Montgomery County, and Tredyffrin Township, Chester County, for the delivery and setting of concrete bridge beams, and for barrier and sign structure work, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) said today.

The operations are part of PennDOT's \$97.4 million project to build new, wider structures to improve travel on U.S. 422 at its crossings over the Schuylkill River, Norfolk Southern Railroad, South Trooper Road and the Schuylkill River Trail. The project also includes improving U.S. 422 between the Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) and Route 363 (Trooper Road) interchanges; upgrading Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) at its interchange with U.S. 422; and improving ramps at the Route 363 (Trooper Road), Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) and First Avenue interchanges.

On Monday, October 31, from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM, the far right lane on U.S. 422 west will be closed between the Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) and Route 363 (Trooper Road) interchanges for the delivery of six concrete bridge beams and the setting of the beams on the new bridge being built over the Schuylkill River Trail.

On Tuesday, November 1, through Thursday, November 3, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, U.S. 422's westbound right lane will be closed periodically between the U.S. 202 and First Avenue interchanges for the construction of a foundation for a future sign structure.

From 7:00 PM Thursday, November 3, to 5:00 AM Friday, November 4, eastbound U.S. 422 will be restricted to one lane near the Frist Avenue Interchange for the removal and replacement of concrete barriers.

Motorists are advised to allow additional time for travel on U.S. 422 during these operations because slowdowns may occur. The contractor's work schedule is dependent on the weather.

PennDOT began construction on this transportation improvement project in February 2016 and the project is scheduled to finish in May 2020. Without the passage of Act 89, Pennsylvania's transportation plan, construction on this project would not have begun before 2018.

J.D. Eckman, Inc. of Atglen, Chester County, is the general contractor on the \$97,380,711 contract, which is financed with 80 percent federal and 20 percent state funds.

For additional information on U.S. 422 improvement projects, visit www.422improvements.com.

Motorists can check conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles 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 770 traffic cameras.

511PA is also available through a smartphone application for iPhone and Android devices, by calling 5-1-1, or by following regional Twitter alerts accessible on the 511PA website.

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