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U.S. 422 and Route 23 Nighttime Travel Restrictions Next Week in Valley Forge Area for Bridge Work

Periodic Traffic Stoppages Scheduled on U.S. 422 after Midnight

King of Prussia, PA – Eastbound and westbound U.S. 422 motorists will encounter nighttime lane closures between the Route 363 (Trooper Road) and First Avenue interchanges in West Norriton and Upper Merion townships, Montgomery County, on Monday, February 13, through Friday, February 17, from 7:00 PM to 6:00 AM, for the Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) bridge demolition, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today. In addition to the lane closures, there will be periodic traffic stoppages scheduled on U.S. 422 in both directions after midnight.

Nighttime lane closure will also be in place on Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) between Moore Road and Gulph Road in West Norriton and Upper Merion townships, on Monday, February 13, through Friday, February 17, from 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM, for bridge beam removal. Traffic will be controlled by flagging.

PennDOT advises drivers to allow additional time for travel on U.S. 422 and Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) near the construction areas because backups will occur. The contractor's work schedule is dependent on the weather.

This work is part of the \$97.4 million project to build new, wider bridges to improve travel and carry U.S. 422 motorists over the Schuylkill River, Norfolk Southern Railroad, South Trooper Road and Schuylkill River Trail in West Norriton, Upper Merion and Lower Providence townships. The project 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. Construction began in February 2016 and is scheduled to finish in May 2020.

J.D. Eckman, Inc. of Atglen, Chester County, is the general contractor on the \$97,380,711 contract. The project 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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