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## **Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) Lane Closures Scheduled Next Week for Pier Construction in Valley Forge Area**

**King of Prussia, PA** – Lane closures with flagging are scheduled on eastbound and westbound Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) between Moore Road and Gulph Road in Upper Merion and West Norriton townships, Montgomery County, on Tuesday, May 23, and Wednesday, May 24, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM, for pier construction, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today.

PennDOT advises drivers to allow additional time for travel on Route 23 (Valley Forge Road) near the construction area 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](http://www.422improvements.com).

For more information on projects occurring or being bid this year, those made possible by or accelerated by Act 89, or those on the department's Four and Twelve Year Plans, [visit www.projects.penndot.gov](http://www.projects.penndot.gov).

Motorists can check 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 825 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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