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## **U.S. 322 Daytime, Nighttime Restrictions Begin Next Week for Improvement Project in Concord Township, Delaware County**

**King of Prussia, PA** – Periodic daytime and overnight lane closures will be in place starting next week on U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway) from U.S. 1 (Baltimore Pike) to just east of Clayton Park Drive in Concord Township, Delaware County, as year two of construction begins on the \$62.2 million project to improve and widen the highway, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today.

On Mondays through Fridays, beginning April 2, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and on Mondays through Thursdays, from 7:00 PM to 5:00 AM the following morning, flaggers will direct an alternating single lane of traffic on U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway) through various work areas along the 2.6-mile construction zone. These daytime and overnight operations will continue through late fall.

Drivers are also reminded that U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway) access to and from Cambridge Drive will close for approximately seven weeks beginning Monday, April 2, for reconstruction of the intersection. Similar construction activities also closed access to and from Station Road on the south side of the highway for four weeks beginning on March 26.

Motorists should expect significant delays on U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway), allow extra time for travel through the work areas, or use an alternate route. All scheduled activities are weather dependent.

Crews are setting temporary construction barrier along the outer edges of the existing eastbound and westbound lanes and continuing installation of stormwater drainage pipes, culverts and basins across the work zone. Excavation that began in 2017 also will resume, mainly along the eastbound side of the highway where work will begin later this spring to construct two new eastbound lanes.

PennDOT began construction last spring on the first-of-two mainline projects to widen and reconstruct a 6.7-mile section of U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway) from U.S. 1 (Baltimore Pike) to just east of Route 452 (Market Street) in Concord, Bethel and Upper Chichester townships. Work on the first mainline section of U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway) is scheduled to be completed in late 2020.

J.D. Eckman, Inc. of Atglen, Chester County, is the general contractor on the project which is financed with 80 percent federal and 20 percent state funds.

Engineering design is advancing for the widening and reconstruction of the eastern section (Section 102) of the highway from just east of Clayton Park Drive to just east of Route 452 (Market Street). Construction on this section is expected to start in 2019.

An additional contract to replace the U.S. 322 (Conchester Highway) bridge over the CSX railroad and Bethel Road as well as improvements to the adjacent Bethel Road Interchange is under design.

For more information and to sign up for email alerts about the project, go to [www.us322conchester.com](http://www.us322conchester.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).

A list of weekly road restrictions and PennDOT maintenance operations in the five-county Philadelphia region is available by visiting the [District 6 Traffic Bulletin](http://www.penndot.gov/District6) at [www.penndot.gov/District6](http://www.penndot.gov/District6).

Motorists can check conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles, including color-coded winter conditions on 2,900 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 850 traffic cameras.

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