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**PennDOT Announces 2018 Allegheny County Highway and Bridge Improvement Projects**

**Pittsburgh, PA** – PennDOT is pleased to announce the 2018 Allegheny County transportation improvement project list for state-owned roads and bridges.

District 11 will invest an estimated $208 million on 68 projects to improve, preserve or rehabilitate transportation infrastructure including 42 bridges (37 structurally deficient) in Allegheny County in 2018. Additionally, 102 miles of roadway will be paved or resurfaced and more than $21 million will be invested in tunnel maintenance and improvements. Approximately 59 projects will be bid this year valued at an estimated $171 million.

“After a challenging winter, Construction season is underway and PennDOT is excited to announce the schedule of new projects starting in 2018,” said District Executive Cheryl Moon-Sirianni. “Additionally, major roadway, bridge and tunnel projects continue this year as PennDOT makes significant investments to our regional infrastructure.”

Here’s a preview of the improvements scheduled for 2018 in Allegheny County:

**Projects continuing from 2017 with minor work remaining**

**I-376 Fort Pitt Tunnel Ceiling Removal**

Only minor work to complete a fire suppression system remains in 2018 in the outbound Fort Pitt Tunnel on this $14.51 million project in the City of Pittsburgh. Completed work on the project includes tunnel ceiling removal, concrete repairs to the tunnel walls, waterline and standpipe improvements, electrical updates, drainage upgrades, and reroofing of the north portal building.

**I-376 – Beaver County to Pittsburgh Airport**

Resurfacing on the Clinton Bridge and a portion of I-376 at the Beaver County line remains on this $66.34 million project. Work on the Clinton Bridge will require a single-lane restriction in each direction and two weekend closures to complete. Resurfacing on I-376 will be finished during weekends and one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. Concrete reconstruction and rehabilitation, joint repairs, bridge deck overlays, and guiderail and drainage improvements have been completed on 7.5 miles of I-376. The overall project will end in late June 2018.

**Route 2001 Bunola River Road Slide Remediation**

Slide remediation work was completed in 2017 on this $1.79 million project in Elizabeth Township. Lane restrictions will occur on Bunola River Road in the spring of 2018 for roadway resurfacing. The overall project will be completed in late May 2018.

**Route 19 West End Circle Sign Improvement Project**

Sign improvements at the West End Circle began in late summer 2017 at the Route 51 approach to the Carson Street and at the South Main Street Connector (Route 60). This $211,901 project will require off-peak lane restrictions and conclude by the summer of 2018.

**Projects continuing from 2017 with major work remaining**

**Route 19 Perry Highway**

Work will occur on the northern portion of this $9.48 million improvement project between the Route 19 intersections with Shenot Road/Northgate Drive and Freeport Road including milling and paving, base repairs, shoulder improvements, drainage and guiderail work, traffic signal and sign upgrades, ADA curb cut ramp installation, and pavement marking installation. Resurfacing work requiring overnight and off-peak daylight restrictions is anticipated to begin in early May and the overall project should be complete in August 2018.

**I-279 Parkway North Improvement Project**

Preparatory work, including the closure of the HOV lanes, is underway on the $87.94 million I-279 Parkway North Improvement Project. Work will occur in the northbound direction in 2018. Ramp closures, mainline I-279 lane restrictions, a traffic shift into the HOV lanes, and a single-lane of traffic crossed over into the southbound lanes, are several traffic impacts that motorists will encounter in 2018. Safety improvement work, including the lengthening of the Madison Avenue, Veterans Bridge, and Perrysville Avenue on-ramps to northbound I-279, will be conducted this construction season. The project also includes concrete patching and overlay, preservation of 30 bridges and 49 overhead sign structures, repairs to 29 walls, ramp repairs, lighting improvements, HOV repairs, sign upgrades, guiderail and drainage improvements, and an anti-icing system installation on the McKnight Road interchange structures. The project will continue through June 2019.

**I-376 – Airport to Business Loop 376 Reconstruction**

Two lanes of eastbound I-376 traffic will be shifted into the westbound lanes in 2018 to continue work on this $42.36 million project in Moon and Findlay townships. Improvements, which began in 2017, include roadway reconstruction, concrete patching, subgrade stabilization, bridge rehabilitation work, drainage and guiderail improvements, signage upgrades, and ramp repairs. Two lanes of traffic will be maintained in the westbound direction during 2018 construction. Additionally, long-term closures of the ramps at the McClaren Road interchange and a 71-day closure of the ramp from eastbound I-376 to westbound Business Loop 376 will occur. The overall project will conclude in December 2018.

**Route 2084 Milltown Road Slide Remediation**

Remediation work began in late 2017 to repair two slides on Route 2084 Milltown Road between Mill Street and Deer Lane in Plum Borough. The roadway has been closed to traffic since June 2015. Additional work includes resurfacing, drainage and guiderail improvements, pavement marking installation, and other miscellaneous construction activities on this $1.16 million project. The project is anticipated to be completed with the roadway reopened by late July 2018.

**Liberty Tunnel Phase 5**

Work on the $30.27 million, fifth and final phase of the Liberty Tunnel rehabilitation project, will resume in March. Restrictions in 2018 include 96 overnight closures of the outbound (southbound) tunnel which will be coordinated with the Liberty Bridge project. Additionally, 25 overnight closures of the inbound (northbound) tunnel will occur in late summer. Work includes pavement repairs, ventilation improvements including fans, motors and drives, HVAC, safety, and electrical systems upgrades, structural repairs to the fan house, and retaining wall stabilization. The overall project will end in April 2019.

**Route 4003 McKnight Road**

Work in 2018 is anticipated to resume in late March and includes signal improvements, ADA curb cut ramp installation, sign updates, guiderail improvements, and concrete curb gutter repairs. Single-lane restrictions will occur during off-peak daylight hours through August to allow the work to occur. Overnight lane restrictions will occur as needed. Completed work on the $7.34 million project in McCandless Township includes shoulder and base repairs with milling and resurfacing on 2.8 miles of McKnight Road.

**Route 4022 Mount Nebo Road Improvement Project**

Utility relocation work has begun on the $7.66 million Mount Nebo Road improvement project located between I-79 and Arndt Road in Ohio Township. Work includes roadway widening, turning lane installation, milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements, wall rehabilitation, guiderail upgrades, curb and sidewalk work, signal updates, pavement marking installation, and other miscellaneous construction activities. Single-lane restrictions will occur during the remainder of this construction project. The overall project will conclude in late 2019.

**Route 51 Elizabeth Bridge Rehabilitation Project**

This $31.30 million project includes concrete deck and barrier replacement, steel repairs, expansion dam replacement, bearing repairs, concrete substructure repairs, full painting, cable replacement, and drainage improvements on the Elizabeth Bridge over the Monongahela River. Additionally, five other structures at the bridge will be rehabilitated. Long-term single-lane restrictions will begin in mid-March and run through November. A winter hiatus will occur before work resumes in 2019.

**Liberty Bridge**

Painting operations will continue in 2018 on the $81.59 million Liberty Bridge rehabilitation project in the City of Pittsburgh. Single-lane restrictions will occur as needed during off-peak hours and at least two weekend closures will occur to install the overhead lane control system and message boards. Completed work includes expansion dam replacement, a latex overlay and deck replacement, structural steel and concrete repairs, and signage improvements. Overall work will conclude in August 2018.

**Route 380/400 Signal Improvement**

Short-term lane restrictions will occur on Route 380 between the North Dallas Avenue/Hamilton Avenue and the Frankstown Road/Woods Avenue intersections as work resumes on this $2.23 million project. Work includes upgrading traffic signals at 11 intersections on Route 380 in Penn Hills and the City of Pittsburgh. Additional work includes ADA curb cut ramps, pedestrian signal improvements, signage upgrades, and pavement marking installation.

**Projects starting construction in 2018**

**Route 19/51 - West End Interchange to I-376 Parkway West**

Roadway reconstruction will occur on approximately one mile of Route 19/51 between I-376 (Parkway West) and the West End interchange on this approximate $15-20 million project. Additional improvements include the replacement of the Shaler Street Bridge over Route 19/51 with Accelerated Bridge Construction techniques, median barrier replacement, lengthening of the Wabash Street deceleration ramp, sign structure rehabilitation and installation, and ramp reconstruction work. Long-term single-lane restrictions will be implemented. The project is anticipated to begin in July 2018 and end in late 2019.

**Route 28 – Russellton to Butler County**

Work on this $34.34 million Route 28 improvement project, located between Butler County and the structures spanning Baileys Run Road near the Creighton southbound on-ramp, is anticipated to begin in early March. The project includes concrete patching, an asphalt overlay, bridge preservation work, drainage and guiderail improvements, installation of a new automatic bridge de-icing system, lighting upgrades and other miscellaneous construction activities. No lane restrictions are anticipated from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. in the southbound direction and 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the northbound direction. Single-lane restrictions will occur at all other times. Additionally,12 weekend closures (six in each direction) are anticipated to occur before the project is completed in late 2018.

**Route 88 – Kings School Road to Logan Road**

This estimated $1.5-2 million project includes widening for the installation of turning lanes at the Logan Road and Kings School Road intersections with Route 88 (Library Road) in the Municipality of Bethel Park. Motorists will see long-term lane narrowing and traffic shifts tentatively beginning in July. Additionally, flagging operations will occur during daytime, overnight, and weekend operations as needed. Other improvements include traffic signal upgrades, pedestrian access updates, drainage improvements, and pavement marking installation. The project will continue into the summer of 2019.

**Route 88 and Route 3004 Clifton Road Widening**

Left turning lanes will be added to northbound Route 88 (Library Road) at the Clifton Road (Route 3004) and Churchill Road (Route 3022) intersections on this estimated $3-5 million improvement project in South Park and Bethel Park boroughs. Widening work will require two stone arch bridges to be replaced with concrete box culverts. Other work includes the addition of a right turning lane from Clifton Road to southbound Route 88, drainage updates, signal improvements, guiderail upgrades, and pavement marking installation. One lane of traffic will be maintained during construction; however, detours will occur when culvert work begins. Work is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2018 and extend through late 2019.

**I-376 Parkway East – Fort Pitt Bridge to Edgewood/Swissvale**

Construction plans are being developed on this estimated $18-20 million improvement project on I-376 (Parkway East) between the Fort Pitt Bridge and the Edgewood/Swissvale (Exit 77) interchange. Work includes milling and resurfacing, guiderail updates, ramp improvements, and minor bridge repairs. Project start and end dates are still being finalized; however, the work will occur in 2018.

**I-376 Parkway East – Edgewood/Swissvale to Monroeville Longitudinal Joint Repair**

Work will occur this summer on an estimated $800,000 to $1 million project to mill and resurface the longitudinal joints on I-376 (Parkway East) in both directions between Edgewood/Swissvale and Route 22. Traffic control plans are still being developed but work may occur during off-peak hours while maintaining traffic. The overall project will be completed by the end of 2018.

**Route 837 – North Second Avenue to the Rankin Bridge (Complete)**

Concrete patching and overlay work will begin in March on this $7.08 million improvement project on Route 837 between North Second Avenue in the City of Duquesne and the Rankin Bridge in Whitaker Borough. Long-term single-lane restrictions will occur through the corridor during 2018. Other improvements include milling and resurfacing, bridge preservation work, and signal improvements. The overall project will end in late 2018.

**Route 837 East Carson Street – 33rd Street to Smithfield Street**

This approximate $12-15 million resurfacing project also includes signal upgrades, ADA curb cut ramp installation, and pedestrian safety improvements on East Carson Street between Smithfield Street and 33rd Street in the City of Pittsburgh. Work is expected to begin in the fall of 2018 and conclude late in 2019. Restrictions will vary throughout the corridor. Motorists should expect daytime, overnight and weekend work requiring lane restrictions and detours. The Department is coordinating final working hours and restrictions with the City of Pittsburgh.

**Route 1024 Mountain View Road Slide Remediation**

Traffic will be detoured during slide remediation work on Mountain View Road in West Deer Township. Work is expected to begin in November 2018 and will also include roadway reconstruction and drainage upgrades. The project is part of a three-slide group project estimated at approximately $500,000.

**Route 1037 Saxonburg Road Slide Remediation**

Slide repair work is expected to begin in mid-April on this $894,942 improvement project on Saxonburg Road located between Alter Road and Freeport Road in Harrison Township. Traffic will be detoured as crews conduct utility relocation, drainage and guiderail improvements, and paving. The project is expected to end in late October 2018.

**Route 2018 Forbes Avenue – Birmingham Bridge to Beeler Street**

Work begins in early Marchonthis $10.19 million resurfacing project in the Oakland section of Pittsburgh. Milling and resurfacing will occur between the Birmingham Bridge and Beeler Street. Additional work includes signal upgrades with full replacements at several intersections, ADA curb cut ramp installation, new signalized pedestrian crossing between South Bouquet Street and Bigelow Boulevard, and painted bike lanes between from Bigelow Boulevard to Margaret Morrison Street. Daytime, overnight, and weekend work will occur through this heavily traveled corridor. Lane restrictions will be implemented, however no work impacting traffic will occur during rush hour periods. The overall project will conclude in November 2018.

**Route 3004 McLaughlin Run Road Roundabout**

This estimated $5-6 million project in Upper St. Clair Township is tentatively set to begin construction in late 2018. The project will convert the signalized McLaughlin Run Road and Lesnett Road/McMillan Road intersection into a single-lane roundabout. Additionally, two structures will be replaced, sidewalks with ADA curb cut ramp will be installed, guiderail and drainage improvements, sign updates, lighting upgrades and pavement marking construction will occur. Long-term single-lane restrictions with temporary traffic signals are anticipated. The project end date will depend on the timing of the start, but work will continue through 2019.

**Route 3096 Harper Road Slide Remediation**

Slide remediation work on Harper Road in Crescent Township is anticipated to begin in November 2018. In addition to landslide repair, drainage improvements and pavement reconstruction will occur. Traffic will be detoured through the end of the project which is expected to conclude in May 2019. The project is part of a three-slide group project estimated at approximately $500,000.

**Route 48 Boston Hollow Road Bridge Replacement over a branch of Wylie Run**

Bridge replacement work will begin in early April on this $804,205 project located in Lincoln Borough and Elizabeth Township. Replacement work will occur in half-widths with traffic controlled with temporary signals. The overall work will be completed in late August and includes approach roadway repairs.

**Route 48 Scenery Drive Bridge Replacement over Douglas Run**

Traffic will be detoured for 45 days to allow crews to conduct a pipe culvert replacement on Route 48 over Douglas Run between Fairway Drive and Round Hill Road in Elizabeth and Forward townships. Other work on this $770,000 project includes milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements and guiderail replacement. Work will conclude in late September 2018.

**Route 48 Boston Hollow Road Bridge Replacement over Wylie Run and Slide Remediation**

Bridge replacement work will begin in April 2019 on this estimated $2-3 million project on Route 48 between Mansfield Road in Lincoln Borough and Lovedale Road in Elizabeth Township. Additional work includes slide remediation and pipe replacement. Traffic will be detoured during construction. Minor repair work may begin in 2018. Replacement work will be coordinated between multiple projects on Route 48. The overall work is anticipated to conclude in November 2019.

**Route 48 Boston Hollow Road Bridge Replacement over Boston Hollow Run and Slide Remediation**

This estimated $3-4 million project on Route 48 over Boston Hollow Run in Elizabeth Township and Lincoln Borough is expected to begin major construction activities in March 2019. Bridge replacement and slide repair work requiring a detour will be conducted. Minor repairs may begin in 2018. The project will conclude by December 2019.

**Bridge Plug Weld Repairs**

This estimated $800,000 to $1 million statewide contract to replace plug welds includes the following bridges in Allegheny and Beaver counties:

* Route 51 Coraopolis Bridge over Montour Run in Robinson Township
* I-279 Fort Duquesne Bridge over the Allegheny River in the City of Pittsburgh
* The Highland Park Bridge (Route 1005) over the Allegheny River in the City of Pittsburgh
* William Penn Highway Bridge (Route 2048) over the Union Railroad and Thompson Run in the Municipality of Monroeville
* Route 51 Pennsylvania Avenue Bridge over the Ohio River in Monaca Borough
* Route 168 Shippingport Bridge over the Ohio River in Shippingport Borough
* Southbound Route 65 ramp to the Fort Duquesne Bridge in the City of Pittsburgh

**Route 65 Ohio River Boulevard Bridge over Spruce Street Preservation**

Motorists will see long-term single-lane restrictions on the Route 65 bridge over Spruce Street in Ben Avon Borough beginning in late 2018. Preservation work on the structurally deficient bridge, including concrete repairs, deck sealing, and drainage system improvements, will occur on this $4-5 million project. Work will occur throughout 2019 with the overall project concluding in February 2020.

**Route 910 Bridge Replacement**

Detours will occur on this estimated $4-5 million bridge replacement project located on Route 910 near Oak Road in West Deer Township. While minor work is anticipated in the fall of 2018, major construction activities will occur in 2019. Minor approach roadway work is also included in this project which will end in late 2019.

**Route 1001 Freeport Road Bridge Replacement**

This $4.26 million replacement project of the Freeport Road Bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad began in late February. Erection of a temporary pedestrian bridge adjacent to the structure is anticipated to occur in March 2018. In early April, the bridge located just west of the Highland Park Bridge interchange in Sharpsburg Borough, will close to traffic for 120 days to allow replacement work to occur. All traffic will be detoured. The project will end in November 2018 and includes paving, drainage improvements, guiderail upgrades, curb and sidewalk repairs, signage updates, and pavement marking installation.

**Route 1001 Freeport Road Bridge Replacement over Squaw Run**

A full closure of the Freeport Road Bridge over Squaw Run between Fox Chapel Road and South Oak Hill Road in O’Hara Township is anticipated to begin when the Freeport Bridge replacement in Sharpsburg Borough is complete. Traffic will be detoured on this $2.31 million project as crews conduct bridge replacement activities. The overall project will end in late November 2018.

**Route 1014 Hite Road Bridge Replacement**

Traffic will be maintained in half-widths on this estimated $5-6 million project to replace the bridge deck on the Hite Road structure over Route 28 in Harmar and Springdale townships. Additional work includes superstructure and substructure repairs, bearing replacement, increasing vertical clearance, guiderail and drainage improvements, and approach roadway repairs. Minor work will occur in 2018 with major improvements occurring through late summer 2019.

**Route 1016 Cove Road Bridge Replacement**

Temporary traffic signals will control a single-lane of traffic on the Cove Road Bridge over Deer Creek in Indiana Township while bridge rehabilitation occurs on this estimated $1-1.5 million project. Minor work is anticipated to begin in late 2018 with major improvements occurring in 2019. Work includes deck replacement, bridge painting, bearing replacement, substructure repair and approach roadway work. The overall project is expected to conclude in late 2019.

**Route 1019 Butler Logan Road Bridge Deck Replacement**

Bridge deck replacement work is anticipated to begin this summer on the Butler Logan Road Bridge over Route 28 in Frazer Township. Traffic will be maintained and controlled by temporary signals on the bridge as work will occur half-widths. Other work on this estimated $3-4 million project includes painting, barrier and bearing replacement, approach roadway repairs, and guiderail and drainage improvements. The overall project will conclude in late 2019.

**Route 1019 Days Run Bridge**

A full closure and detour of the Days Run Road Bridge over Days Run in East Deer Township is anticipated to begin in July. Culvert replacement, roadway repairs, and guiderail and drainage improvements will occur on the approximately $1-1.5 million project located near Baileys Run Road. The project will conclude by the end of 2018.

**Route 1027 Pleasantville Road Bridge Rehabilitation**

This estimated $1-1.5 million bridge replacement project in Harrison Township is anticipated to begin in late September 2018 and conclude in late summer 2019. Work will include a superstructure replacement requiring a long-term detour. Additionally, approach roadway repairs will be conducted.

**Route 2010 Lovedale Road Bridge Replacement**

A bridge replacement using accelerated construction methods will occur on the Lovedale Road Bridge over Wylie Run in Elizabeth Township and Lincoln Borough in 2019. Traffic will be detoured as the bridge closes to traffic for approximately one month during the summer while school is out on this estimated $1.5-2 million project. The overall project is anticipated to conclude in late summer 2019.

**Route 3005 Mayview Road Bridge Replacement and Turning Lane Installation**

Minor work is anticipated to begin in 2018 on this $1.5-2 million improvement project at the intersection of Mayview Road and Boyce Road in South Fayette Township. Major work with detours will begin in the spring of 2019 and include the installation of left turning lanes in each direction from Boyce Road to Mayview Road, the addition of a right turning lane from northbound Mayview Road to eastbound Boyce Road, bridge replacement, roadway widening, signal upgrades and lighting improvements. The work is expected to be completed in one construction season.

**Route 3017 Gill Hall Road Bridge Rehabilitation**

A full closure of the Gill Hall Road Bridge over Peters Creek in Jefferson Hills Borough is anticipated to begin in late July on this approximate $1 million rehabilitation project. Repairs include a deck replacement and approach roadway improvements. Overall work will conclude in June in 2019.

**Route 3048 Noblestown Road Bridge Preservation**

Bridge preservation work including deck and barrier repairs, expansion dam replacement, bearing rehabilitation and replacement, steel repairs, painting, and substructure repairs will begin in August on this estimated $3-4 million project. Long-term single-lane restrictions will occur on the structure located between the I-79 Carnegie interchange and Hammond Street in Collier Township. Additionally, a truck detour will be implemented due to turning radius restrictions. The overall project is anticipated to be finished in late October 2019.

**Route 3089 Flaugherty Run Road Bridge Replacement**

Traffic will be maintained in both directions during the $4.39 million Flaugherty Run Bridge replacement project in Findlay Township. A single-lane lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction on one side of the bridge as crews conduct replacement work on the structure over Business Loop 376. Work will begin in March on this two-construction season project.

**Route 4017 Wetzel Road Bridge Replacement**

Minor work may begin in late 2018 on this approximate $1-2 million bridge replacement project on Wetzel Road over Little Pine Creek in Shaler Township. Traffic will be detoured in 2019. Additional work includes approach roadway repairs, drainage improvements and guiderail updates. The overall project is anticipated to conclude in late 2019.

**Route 8057 Duquesne-McKeesport Ramp Preservation**

Preservation work is expected to begin in late April on the northbound Route 837 ramp to the Duquesne-McKeesport Bridge. Work includes expansion dam replacement, pier repairs, drainage improvements, and an epoxy overlay on the deck which will require weekend ramp closures. Additional improvements include work at the Route 837 intersection with Center Street/South Linden Street to allow for a U-turn as part of the detour route. The overall work is anticipated to be complete by November 2018 on this $2.42 million project.

**Allegheny County Adaptive Traffic Signal Systems**

Beginning in late 2018, installation of adaptive traffic signal systems in Allegheny County on this $3.42 million project will occur in the following locations:

* Route 8 from Kittanning Street in Etna Borough to Dicky Road in Richland Township
* Route 30 from Marlboro Road to Avenue B in Forest Hills Borough
* Route 60 from Lorish Road to I-79 in Robinson Township

**Group Resurfacing Contracts (Complete)**

The routes listed below will be milled and resurfaced with drainage improvements and minor rehabilitation in 2018 under contract group projects (work areas may be subject to change):

* **Siebert Road (Route 4016)** from Babcock Boulevard to Thompson Run Road in Ross Township
* **Warrendale-Bayne Road/Graham Road (Route 4052)** from Perry Highway (Route 19) in Marshall Township to Pearce Mill Road (Route 4063) in Pine Township
* **Wildwood Sample Road/West Hardies Road (Route 4067)** from Sample Road (Route 4026) to Middle Road in Hampton Township
* **Wildwood Road (Route 4070)** from Babcock Boulevard (Route 4031) in McCandless Township to William Flynn Highway (Route 8) in Hampton Township
* **Pine Creek Road (Route 4086)** from Brandt School Road in Franklin Park Borough to approximately Perry Highway (Route 19) in McCandless Township
* **Noblestown Road (Route 50)** from Poplar Street (Route 121) to Crafton Boulevard (Route 60) in the City of Pittsburgh
* **Main Street/Crafton Boulevard/Dinsmore Avenue (Route 60)** from Sanctus Street in the City of Pittsburgh to Noble Avenue in Crafton Borough
* **Poplar Street (Route 121)** from Mansfield Avenue (Route 3062) in Green Tree Borough to Noblestown Road (Route 50) in the City of Pittsburgh
* **Mansfield Avenue (Route 3062)** from Noblestown Road (Route 50) Poplar Street (Route 121) in Green Tree Borough
* **Rochester Road (Route 4011)** from Perry Highway (Route 19) in Ross Township to Nicholson Road (Route 4049) in Franklin Park Borough
* **Highland Avenue (Route 4012)** from Gass Road (Route 4014) in Ross Township to Perry Highway (Route 19) in West View Borough
* **Camp Horne Road/Lowries Run Road (Route 4021)** from approximately Mount Nebo Road in Ohio Township to Rochester Road (Route 4011) in Ross Township
* **Union Avenue/Clinton Avenue/Oakdale Road/North Branch Road (Route 978)** from Thoms Run Road/Oakdale Road in Oakdale Borough to Bateman Road (Route 978) in North Fayette Township
* **Noblestown Road (Route 3048)** from Whittengale Road (Route 3057) to Clinton Avenue (Route 978) in Oakdale Borough
* **Oakdale Road (Route 3063)** from North Branch Road (Route 978) to Steubenville Pike (Route 3066) in North Fayette Township
* **Steubenville Pike (Route 3066)** from Lincoln Highway (Route 30) to Route 22 in North Fayette Township
* **North Branch Road (Route 3108)** from Washington County to Route 978 in North Fayette Township
* **University Boulevard (Route 3109)** from Business Loop 376 to Stoops Ferry Road (Route 51) in Moon Township

In addition to the work listed above, District 11 will be making many improvements to the transportation system in Allegheny County through various County Maintenance activities. District 11 will also be performing numerous bridge preservation and washing projects around the county in a continuing effort to address critical bridge needs. Visit the District 11 page under Regional Offices on [www.penndot.gov](http://www.penndot.gov) for more information on PennDOT activities in Allegheny County.

**Work Zone Safety Tips**

In high traffic locations, motorists are encouraged to use both lanes of travel to the merge point. Once at the merge point, motorists are encouraged to **take turns** merging into the open lane and continue through the work zone. When motorists cooperate and use the late merge system, it will create a zipper like effect with traffic which will reduce the length of the queue, allow traffic to move more fluidly and prevent aggressive merging.

If you encounter our work zones, please keep the following tips in mind for your safety and the safety of highway workers:

* Drive the posted work-zone speed limit;
* Stay alert and pay close attention to signs and flaggers;
* Turn on your headlights;
* Maintain a safe distance around vehicles, don´t tailgate;
* Use four-way flashers when stopped or traveling slowly;
* Avoid distractions and give your full attention to the road;
* Always buckle up;
* Expect the unexpected,
* Be patient.

Work Zone Laws - Pennsylvania´s work zone safety laws are designed to protect both highway workers and motorists:

Posted work zones - Headlights On - All motorists are required to travel with their headlights turned on in all posted work zones, not just active work zones. It is necessary for drivers in vehicles with daytime running lights to turn on their headlights in order to activate their taillights.

Active Work Zones - Posting of Active Work Zones - Active work zones are designated by a white flashing light attached to an “Active Work Zone” sign to notify motorists when they enter and leave the work zone. The flashing light will only be activated when workers are present and turned off when workers are not present.

Fifteen-Day Loss of License for Driving Dangerously - Motorists caught driving 11 miles per hour or more above the posted speed limit in an active work zone, or who are involved in a crash in an active work zone and are convicted for failing to drive at a safe speed, will automatically lose their license for 15 days.

Fines Doubled/Jail Time Increased - Fines for certain traffic violations - including speeding, driving under the influence, and failure to obey traffic devices - are doubled for active work zones. Also, the law provides for up to five years of additional jail time for individuals convicted of homicide by vehicle for a crash that occurred in an active work zone.

To receive press releases and traffic advisories from PennDOT District 11 on major construction projects, send your email address to stcowan@pa.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 850 traffic cameras.

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