



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**May 17, 2024**

**MEDIA CONTACT:** Timothy Nebgen, [tnebgen@pa.gov](mailto:tnebgen@pa.gov) or 814-765-0598  
Steve Harmic, [sharmic@pa.gov](mailto:sharmic@pa.gov) or 814-496-6189

## **PennDOT Centre County Maintenance Work Schedule for the Week of May 20**

**Clearfield, PA** – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced the following schedule of maintenance activities in Centre County the week of May 20. PennDOT performs year-round maintenance in its mission to provide a safe, efficient transportation system, and the scope of work in Centre County for the coming week is as follows:

### **Bridge Maintenance & Cleaning**

- Interstate 80 between mile marker 138 and the Bellefonte interchange. Monday, May 20, through Friday, May 24. PennDOT will implement short-term lane closures while completing this work.
- Route 322 between the Oak Hall/Boalsburg interchange and the Old Fort interchange. Monday, May 20, through Friday, May 24. PennDOT will implement short-term lane closures while completing this work.

Pennsylvania has some of the oldest bridges in the country, with an age of more than 50 years on average. Preventive maintenance is vital in extending the life of the structures. As such, PennDOT maintenance crews perform some bridge deck patching and structural repairs.

### **Guide rail**

- Interstate 80 throughout the county. Monday, May 20, through Friday, May 24. PennDOT will implement short-term lane closures while completing this work.
- Interstate 99 throughout the county. Monday, May 20, through Friday, May 24. PennDOT will implement short-term lane closures while completing this work.

Guide rail systems reduce the severity of a crash by preventing a vehicle from reaching a more hazardous fixed object or terrain feature. They must remain in good working condition to contain and redirect impacting vehicles.

### **Manual Patching**

- Route 192 (Brush Valley Road) between the intersection of Route 144 in Centre Hall Borough and Route 445 Madisonburg Pike in Miles Township. Monday, May 20, and Friday, May 24. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 2004 (Cedar Run/Linden Hall Road) between the intersection of Route 45 in Harris Township and Oak Hall Regional Park in College Township. Monday, May 20, and Friday, May 24. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.

Most permanent pothole patching is completed in the spring/summer when temperatures stay consistently above freezing. If maintenance crews were not repairing potholes, the road surface would break up further and require more expensive corrective measures.

### **Pipe Replacing & Cleaning**

- Route 144 near the intersection of old Route 322 in Potter Township. Monday, May 20, through Friday, May 24. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 192 between the Village of Madisonburg in Gregg Township and Route 445 (Madisonburg Pike) in Miles Township. Monday, May 20, through Friday, May 24. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 53 between the intersections of Water Street and Route 322 in Philipsburg Borough. Monday, May 20. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 3044 (Front Street) between the intersection of Route 322 and Railroad Street in Rush Township. Tuesday, May 21. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 3029 (Ninth Street) between the intersection of Route 322 and Route 53 in Rush Township. Wednesday, May 22. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 350 between Presqueisle Street in Philipsburg Borough and the Blair/Centre County line Taylor Township. Thursday, May 23, and Friday, May 24. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.

Pipe replacement and cleaning are essential in maintaining water flow around state roadways. Controlling water flow is one of the most important aspects of maintaining pavements. Uncontrolled water flow will damage both the pavement surface and the area under the pavement, which causes deterioration across the length of the pipe.

### **Shoulder Maintenance**

- Interstate 80 between mile marker 138 and the Milesburg interchange. Monday, May 20, through Thursday, May 23. PennDOT will implement short-term lane closures while completing this work.

Shoulder cutting removes excess material and debris from unpaved shoulder areas. Shoulder grading involves the shaping and stabilizing of those same areas. Both operations improve drainage, allow water to leave the roadway, and eliminate shoulder drop-offs. These are crucial highway maintenance operations because when drainage systems do not function properly, water collects on the road, weakens pavement, accelerates the formation of potholes, and creates the potential for icing conditions in the winter months.

### **Vegetation Management**

- Interstate 99 between mile marker 56 at the Blair/Centre County line in Halfmoon Township and the Bellefonte interchange at mile marker 85 in Spring Township. Monday, May 20, through Wednesday, May 22. This work takes place on the shoulder and has minimal, if any, traffic impact, however PennDOT urges drivers to exercise caution through the work zone.
- Route 322 between the Penn State University/State College interchange and the Centre/Mifflin County line in Potter Township. Wednesday, May 22, through Friday, May 24.

This work takes place on the shoulder and has minimal, if any, traffic impact, however PennDOT urges drivers to exercise caution through the work zone.

Mowing, herbicide spraying, and selected tree thinning help maintain a safe roadway free of obstructing vegetation, improving visibility to spot signage, traffic control devices, and other motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians, and animals approaching the road. Additionally, a well-maintained roadside can improve drainage and prolong the life of the roadway.

This schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions, emergencies, or other unforeseen interruptions.

Customers can report road concerns by calling 1-800-FIX-ROAD. If calling after hours, please leave a name and phone number.

For more information on PennDOT's maintenance activities, visit [www.PennDOT.pa.gov/about-us/maintenanceactivities](http://www.PennDOT.pa.gov/about-us/maintenanceactivities).

Motorists can check conditions on major roadways 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 1,000 traffic cameras.

511PA is also available through a smartphone application for iPhone and Android devices, by calling 5-1-1, or by [following local alerts on X](#).

Subscribe to PennDOT news in Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Elk, Juniata, McKean, Mifflin, and Potter counties at [www.penndot.gov/District2](http://www.penndot.gov/District2).

Follow PennDOT on [X](#) and like the department on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

# # #