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# PennDOT Mifflin 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 Mifflin 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 Mifflin County for the coming week is as follows:

#### **Bridge Maintenance & Cleaning**

 Route 322 between the bottom of the Seven Mountains to the Burnham-Yeagertown interchange. Monday, May 20, through Thursday, May 23. PennDOT will implement shortterm 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.

### **Mechanized Patching**

- Route 2002 (Belltown/Old Stage/Vira Road) between Burnham Borough and the Snyder County line. Tuesday, May 21, and Wednesday, May 22. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 2001 (Long Lane) between Vira Road and Route 522. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.

Mechanized patching is used to patch limited roadway areas that have extensive potholes, large areas of cracked pavement, and depressions. If mechanized patching was not performed, the damaged road surface would further deteriorate, resulting in PennDOT needing to completely rebuild the road or perform more costly corrective measures.

#### **Pipe Replacing & Cleaning**

- Route 3005 (Bratton Avenue/Big Ridge/Sand Ridge Road) between Route 4013 (Ferguson Valley Road) in Granville Township and Ridge Road in Lewistown Borough. Monday, May 20. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 2006 (Summit Road) approximately 250 yards from the intersection of Route 522 in Decatur Township. 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.

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 <a href="www.PennDOT.pa.gov/about-us/maintenanceactivities">www.PennDOT.pa.gov/about-us/maintenanceactivities</a>.

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