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PennDOT Elk County Maintenance Work Schedule for the Week of October 2

Clearfield, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced the following schedule of maintenance activities in Elk County the week of October 2. PennDOT performs year-round maintenance in its mission to provide a safe, efficient transportation system, and the scope of work in Elk County for the coming week is as follows:

Manual Patching

- Route 1005 (Theresa Street) in the City of St. Marys. Monday, 2, through Friday, October 6. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 1008 (Creek Road) in the City of St. Marys. Monday, 2, through Friday, October 6. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.
- Route 4003 (Long Level Road) in Jones Township. Monday, 2, through Friday, October 6. 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 4009 (Highland Road) in Highland Township. Monday, 2, through Friday, October 6. 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

- Route 1008 (Creek Road) in the City of St. Marys. Monday, 2, through Friday, October 6. Flaggers in the roadway will provide traffic control during daylight hours.

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.

PennDOT urges motorists to exercise caution in these and all work zones to ensure their safety and the safety of county maintenance staff.

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.

Motorists can check conditions on major roadways by visiting 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 regional Twitter alerts accessible on the 511PA website.

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