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ROAD CLOSURES AND POSSIBLE TRAFFIC DELAYS

SUFFOLK, VA (April 19, 2019) The following roads in the City of Suffolk will have closures that could cause delays, Friday, April 19, 2019, due to construction and maintenance projects.

New Projects:

(Bennetts Pasture Road/Lee Farm Lane) – A contractor will have alternating lane closures on Bennetts Pasture Road at Lee Farm Lane and on Lee Farm Lane between Gaskins Lane and Bridge Road for milling and paving from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

(Lake Cohoon Road) – A contractor will have a flagging operation on Lake Cohoon Road at the railroad overpass for a bridge inspection from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(Girl Scout Road) – A contractor will have Girl Scout Road closed with a detour between Matoaka Road and Lake Prince Drive for bridge repairs. The detour will begin at 9 a.m. Monday, April 15, 2019 and remain in place until 3 p.m. Friday, April 19, 2019. Message Boards have been placed to notify motorists.

(Route 13/32 Bypass) – A contractor will have a mobile operation on the Route 13/32 Bypass for litter control and vegetation maintenance from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

(Portsmouth Boulevard) – A contractor will have a mobile operation on Portsmouth Boulevard between Wilroy Road and Route 58 for vegetation maintenance from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

(North Lloyd Street) – Suffolk Department of Public Works will have the 100 & 200 blocks of North Lloyd Street closed with a detour.

Upcoming Projects:

(Old Mill Road) – A contractor will have a flagging operation on Old Mill Road between Old Myrtle Road and the Isle of Wight County line for paving from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(Portsmouth Boulevard) – A contractor will have a westbound right lane closure beginning on the Route 58 Downtown Exit ramp extending into the 1200 block of Portsmouth Boulevard from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. then alternating to the left lane until 3 p.m. The contractor will also have an eastbound left lane closure in the 1200 block of Portsmouth Boulevard 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Ongoing Projects:

(Carolina Road) – A contractor will have periodic flagging operations on Carolina Road at Whaleyville Boulevard from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(Colonial Avenue) – Beginning Monday, April 1, a contractor will have Colonial Avenue closed between Northbrook Avenue and Grove Avenue for road repairs. This work is expected to last for approximately 150 days.

(Pruden Boulevard) – In order to facilitate improved drainage during extreme weather events to alleviate roadway flooding, Suffolk Department of Public Works will install large box culvert drainage structures under the existing roadway in the 2500 block of Pruden Boulevard/Route 460 extending between Lake Meade and Sadler Pond. This work will require a full road closure at that location followed by a partial road closure. Variable message boards have been placed along the route to alert the motoring public of the upcoming roadwork. The anticipated construction start date is February 11, 2019. At that time, the road will be closed to all traffic for a period of 90 days. A detour route will be established via the Route 460 bypass. On or near May 11, 2019, the roadway will be opened allowing for use of one lane in each direction for a period of 6 weeks. Every effort is being made to minimize the impacts to traffic however, some delay time and use of the detour route should be expected. Additional information about the project may be found on the City of Suffolk website at: <https://www.suffolkva.us/680/Pruden-Boulevard-Drainage-Improvements.>

(Magnolia Drive) – A contractor will have a flagging operation on Magnolia Drive between Vernon Drive and Camellia Drive from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The drainage pipe repair is expected to be complete May 15, 2019, weather permitting.

(Kings Fork Road) – A contractor will have a northbound shoulder closure in the 400 block of Kings Fork Road.

(Badger Road) – Beginning Tuesday, January 15th, Badger Road will be closed to thru traffic until approximately April 2019. The current bridge will be removed and replaced with a concrete structure. Variable message boards will be placed to notify motorists of the upcoming closure.

(Southwestern Boulevard) – Southwestern Boulevard will be closed between OKelly Drive and Trumpet Drive with a detour in place from November 2, 2018 to April 2019

for a bridge replacement. The current bridge will be removed and replaced with a concrete structure.

(Old Somerton Road, Carolina Road, Whaleyville Boulevard, Rosewood Drive) – A contractor will be installing new water lines on Old Somerton Road, Carolina Road, Whaleyville Boulevard, and Rosewood Drive. The speed limit within the area has been lowered to 35 mph. Beginning Thursday, August 16, the contractor will have a southbound flagging operation and occasional northbound lane closures in the 1500 block of Whaleyville Boulevard continuing southbound to the 1800 block daily from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The project is expected to continue through May 2019.

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