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PennDOT to Patch and Pave I-83 through Cumberland County
Work includes ramp resurfacing, and concrete median barrier and guiderail replacement.

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today that starting at 9:00 PM Sunday, March 17, its contractor will begin a nighttime milling and concrete patching operation marking the start of a project to repair and resurface a 1.3-mile section of Interstate 83 from the Yellow Breeches Creek at the Cumberland-York County Line to the Susquehanna River.

The $4,144,090 contract was awarded to Hempt Bros., Inc. of Camp Hill, Cumberland County, and includes concrete patching, milling the top layer of asphalt and resurfacing with a 3-inch Superpave asphalt overlay, replacing concrete center-median barrier, and installation of new guiderail, signs and pavement markings. Work under this construction contract is scheduled to be completed by the end of October 2019.

PennDOT advises motorists that during working hours motorists may encounter single-lane restrictions through the work zone, Sunday through Thursday from 9:00 PM to 6:00 AM, as crews mill and patch I-83 in preparation for asphalt paving later this summer.

Eventually it may be necessary to temporarily detour traffic when overnight work is scheduled to repair and resurface the ramps within the New Cumberland (Exit 40-B), Limekiln Road (Exit 40-A), and Lemoyne (Exit 41-B) interchanges. Later this year crews will schedule long-term single-lane closures in both directions over four weekends, from 9:00 PM Friday through 6:00 AM Monday, to replace the concrete median glare screen barrier that divides the highway. None of these restrictions will be scheduled over the busy Memorial Day, Independence Day, or Labor Day holiday weekends.

I-83 averages more than 33,000 vehicles traveled daily through Cumberland County in either direction. Average daily traffic volume on northbound I-83 increases to nearly 50,000 vehicles per day as you approach the John Harris Memorial Bridge over the Susquehanna River. To avoid delays, travelers should allow for additional time in their plans or seek an alternate route.

Nighttime work is expected to occur more frequently and consistently as we move into the spring and should be expected each night, weather permitting, between March and November. Travelers are reminded to be alert for these operations, to obey work zone signs, and to slow down when approaching and traveling through work zones, not only for their safety, but for the safety of the road crews.

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Editor's Note: Please refer to the accompanying project location map.