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Blasting to Resume Along NB I-83 from Cameron Street to 17th Street in Harrisburg Region

Rolling stops on I-83 will be implemented as a safety precaution

Harrisburg, **PA** – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced today that rolling stops are expected to resume next week on Interstate 83 for blasting activities related to the reconstruction of I-83 in the City of Harrisburg and surrounding region.

Weather permitting, the contractor will perform blasting operations along I-83 in the area of Cameron Street on Monday, November 25, and Tuesday, November 26. Blasts will be between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM. This work is weather dependent and will be performed on an as-needed basis into the month of December along the northbound I-83 corridor beginning at Cameron Street and progressing north to 17th Street.

As a safety precaution there will be rolling stops of up to 10 minutes in both directions of I-83 between the Route 581 Interchange in Cumberland County and the Eisenhower Interchange in Dauphin County. Traffic on nearby streets will also be stopped during the blasts. This will cause delays. Motorists should be alert and watch for stopped or slow-moving traffic.

Currently there are long-term construction signs along northbound I-83 from the I-83 John Harris Memorial (South) Bridge to the Eisenhower Interchange.

This work is part of the first of two contracts for East Shore Section 3 of the larger I-83 Capital Beltway Project. This contract includes widening and reconstructing portions of the I-83 roadway, construction of overhead bridges at 29th Street and 19th Street, construction of the new Cameron Street Interchange, removing the 13th Street interchange, and roadway improvements along the Cameron Street, 19th Street and 29th Street corridors.

There may be significant impacts to traffic during the life of this project, including traffic shifts, lane restrictions and road closures/detours. Advance notice will be issued prior to any major traffic impacts.

New Enterprise Stone and Lime Company, Inc., of New Enterprise, PA, is the contractor on this \$154,627,000 project.

All work on this contract is expected to be completed by October 12, 2027.

The second East Shore Section 3 contract is expected to be under construction from 2025 to 2028 and includes widening and reconstruction on I-83, construction of the 13th Street bridge and approaches, and construction of the 17th Street interchange and widening 17th Street.

For more information about the East Shore Section 3 and the I-83 Capital Beltway Project, go to Issaer Sapital Beltway- Home (i-83beltway.com).

The East Shore Section 3 construction contract map can be found here: <u>SR0083-079-Dauphin-Construction-Sequence-Graphic-2-2023.pdf (i-83beltway.com)</u>.

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