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## Traffic Alert for I-526 West at Sam Rittenburg Exit in West Ashley

Possible delays between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. from Aug. 16 to Oct. 1

<u>Charleston County Government</u> advises the public of upcoming road construction on a project to improve the I-526 and SC 7 (Sam Rittenburg Boulevard) exit in West Ashley.

In order to minimize the impact to the public, lane closures will take place at night between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Some early preparation work that does not involve lane closures will take place during the day.

Construction is scheduled to begin on Sunday, Aug. 16 and will continue through Thursday, Oct. 1. The completion date is dependent on the weather.

Drivers could experience some intermittent delays from 10 p.m. - 6 a.m. along I-526 West at the SC 7 intersection due to lane closures needed throughout the project.

The project consists of building an additional turn lane at I-526 West onto SC 7 to access US 17 South. After the turn lane is constructed, the intersection will be reconfigured to include:

- Dedicated left turn lane
- Combination through and left turn lane
- Dedicated through lane
- Dedicated right turn lane

Also, new asphalt surface will be placed across all four lanes for approximately 800 feet.

The project is funded by the <u>Charleston County Transportation Committee (CTC)</u>, and will be administered by the Charleston County Transportation Development Office.

For more information on the project, call the Charleston County Transportation Development Office at (843) 202-6151. For news and up to date information on Charleston County Government, visit <u>www.charlestoncounty.org</u>.