



## **Charleston County News Release**

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### **Construction Begins on SC 61/Tobias Gadson Blvd. Intersection Improvements**

*Overnight lane closures to begin on Sunday, May 16*

Construction will begin on Sunday, May 16, for improvements to the intersection of SC 61 and Tobias Gadson Blvd. in West Ashley.

The improvements include adding a new right turn lane from eastbound SC 61 (heading toward Charleston) to Tobias Gadson Blvd. and are expected to be completed by July 2010.

"Adding a new right turn lane will improve safety by relieving traffic congestion along SC 61 during peak travel times," said Steve Thigpen, Charleston County's Transportation Development Chief Program Engineer.

Temporary lane closures will occur overnight, between 9 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. from May 16 – July 16, 2010, to reduce impacts on traffic.

At no point will the entire roadway be blocked to traffic.

The public is asked to take notice of traffic control signs and message board information. All road work is dependent on the weather.

The intersection project is funded by the [Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax](#) and managed by the Charleston County [RoadWise Program](#). County Council approved the project as a part of its 2007 Transportation Sales Tax annual allocations for intersection improvement projects.

Charleston County RoadWise is the name of [Charleston County Government's](#) management program for the construction of roads, highways, resurfacing, paving and drainage projects that are funded by the Transportation Sales Tax.

Visit the official Web site at [www.ccroadwise.org](http://www.ccroadwise.org) for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax road projects.