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Traffic Alerts: Work Announced for Bowman Road and East Frontage Road

Road work continues on the <u>Johnnie Dodds Boulevard Improvements Project</u> in Mount Pleasant

<u>Charleston County Government</u> announces two traffic alerts as part of the <u>Johnnie Dodds</u> Boulevard Improvements Project in Mount Pleasant.

Nighttime road work will affect Bowman Road and Johnnie Dodds Boulevard on March 20:

- Drivers should expect delays due to traffic shifts beginning at 9 p.m. on Sunday, March 20 until 6 a.m. on Monday, March 21.
- Traffic turning right from Johnnie Dodds Boulevard onto Bowman Road will be shifted over to the adjacent lane, which will be marked with construction cones.
- Traffic will have access to Bowman Road at all times during the work.
- The closure is necessary to perform work on the water line system on Bowman Road.

Daytime road work extended on East Frontage Road through the end of March:

- Drivers should expect a lane closure on East Frontage Road between New Market Centre and south of Crickentree Apartments between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- The work will continue through the end of March.
- One lane of traffic will be left open while crews work on East Frontage Road.
- Vehicles may access businesses that are located along East Frontage Road from either Bowman Road or Anna Knapp Boulevard.
- The closure is necessary to install new storm drainage pipes.

Drivers traveling through the project area are asked to be aware of equipment and crews working in the area. Alternative routes are recommended if possible. The public is also asked to notice traffic control signs, reductions in speed limit and message board information, and to note that all work is dependent on weather.

Background information on the project:

- The goal of the project, which is expected to be completed in the fall of 2012, is to improve the traffic flow in and out of Mount Pleasant, especially before and after school and work hours.
- The project is funded by the <u>Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax</u> and managed by <u>Charleston County Government</u>'s RoadWise Program, in close coordination with the <u>Town of Mount Pleasant</u> and the <u>S.C. Department of Transportation</u>.
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 working in the area. Alternative routes are recommended if possible. The public is also
 asked to notice traffic control signs, reductions in speed limit and message board
 information, and to note that all road work is dependent on the weather. Every effort is
 being made to schedule necessary lane closures for the project during off- peak, nighttime
 and weekend hours when possible.

- This map indicates the three ongoing projects on U.S. 17 and the authority responsible for each project, including the County's work on Johnnie Dodds Boulevard: http://www.ccroadwise.org/file/images/jdbprojects.jpg.
- Charleston County RoadWise is the name of <u>Charleston County Government's</u> 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 <u>www.ccroadwise.org</u> for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax projects.
- The public can get up-to-date project information, including construction status and traffic alerts, online at http://www.ccroadwise.org/johnnie_dodds.html.
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