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Traffic Alert: Nighttime Lane Closures for Folly Road and Wesley Drive in West Ashley

Lane closures May 16-24 for U.S 17/S.C. 61/Wesley Drive Improvements Project in West Ashley

<u>Charleston County Government</u> announces an extended traffic alert as part of the <u>U.S.17/S.C.61/Wesley Drive Improvements Project</u> in West Ashley that will affect Folly Road, Folly Road Boulevard and Wesley Drive as follows:

- Drivers should expect minor delays due to nighttime lane closures from Monday, May 16 Tuesday, May 24.
- The work will be done from 9 p.m.-6 a.m. to minimize the impact on drivers.
- The closures are necessary to complete work replacing sidewalks and driveways, cleaning and repairing the storm drainage system, modifying the traffic signal at Windermere Boulevard and repaving Folly Road, Folly Road Boulevard, and Wesley Drive.
- Northbound lanes on Folly Road (heading away from Folly Beach) will be reduced to two lanes of traffic from Yeamans Road to the stoplight at Windermere Boulevard.
- The outside northbound and southbound lanes on Wesley Drive will be closed from the stoplight at Windermere Boulevard to U.S. Highway 17 (Savannah Highway).
- At no time during the work will the entire roadways be closed to traffic.
- Drivers traveling through the project area are asked to be aware of equipment and crews. 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 note that all work is dependent on weather.

Construction on the project began in January 2011. The goal of the project is to improve traffic flow, drainage, and pedestrian and bicyclist mobility. The project, which is expected to be completed in May of 2011, 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>City of Charleston</u> and the <u>S.C. Department of Transportation</u>.

Get up-to-date project information, including construction status and traffic alerts, online at <u>http://www.ccroadwise.org/us17_sc61_wesley.html</u>.

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