

## **Charleston County News Release**

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**Project website:** <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/bees\_ferry\_road/index.php">http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/bees\_ferry\_road/index.php</a> **Drawings and maps:** <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/bees\_ferry\_road/index.php">http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/bees\_ferry\_road/index.php</a>

## Traffic Alert: Speed Limit Reduced to 35 mph on Bees Ferry Road

Speed limit of 35 mph will remain in effect for duration of road widening project

<u>Charleston County Government</u> alerts drivers that the speed limit along Bees Ferry Road has been reduced to 35 mph as part of the <u>Bees Ferry Road Widening Project</u> in West Ashley.

## Bees Ferry Road Reduction in Speed Limit to 35 mph

- Drivers should be aware that the speed limit has been reduced on Bees Ferry Road to 35 mph due to ongoing construction to widen the road.
- The reduced speed limit applies to the entire corridor of Bees Ferry Road, from the intersection of Savannah Highway (U.S. 17) to the intersection of Ashley River Road (S.C. 61).
- Message boards alerting the public of the new change will remain in place until Friday, March 16. However, the reduced speed limit is in effect for the entire duration of the project, which is expected to be completed in April of 2014.
- Once the project is completed, the entire road will have a speed limit of 45 mph.

Drivers traveling through the project's construction zone are asked to be aware of equipment and crews working in the area at all times. 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.

The goal of the project, which is expected to be completed April 2014, is to make improvements to the entire 4.5 mile length of Bees Ferry Road from Savannah Highway (U.S. 17) to Ashley River Road (S.C. 61). The project was requested by the <a href="City of Charleston">City of Charleston</a> and was funded by the <a href="Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax Program">Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax Program</a>. Partial funding for the project was approved by voters in the second Transportation Sales Tax bond referendum.

The public can get more information and see photos of the construction process online at <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/bees\_ferry\_road/index.php">http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/bees\_ferry\_road/index.php</a>. Visit the official website at <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org">www.ccroadwise.org</a> for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax road projects.

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