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Traffic Alert: New Shem Creek Bridge on Bowman Road Opens Monday Night

Major step toward completion of Johnnie Dodds Boulevard Improvements Project

[Charleston County Government](#) announces that the new Shem Creek Bridge on Bowman Road will open to traffic for the first time on Monday, Oct. 1 at 11 p.m. The bridge is a major step toward the completion of the [Johnnie Dodds Boulevard Improvements Project](#) in Mt. Pleasant.

Details of the new bridge:

- The old bridge had two lanes, and the new bridge has four lanes to accommodate increasing traffic demands.
 - o Although the bridge has four lanes, only one lane in each direction will immediately be open to the public.
 - o The other two lanes will be opened in spring 2013 once the widening of Bowman Road is completed.
 - o The additional lanes will significantly improve traffic flow through the area.
- There are five-foot wide sidewalks in both directions.
- For safety reasons, left turns are not allowed from East Frontage Road onto Bowman Road, or from Bowman Road onto East Frontage Road.

The goal of the [Johnnie Dodds Boulevard Improvements Project](#), which is expected to be completed in the spring of 2013, 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 [Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax](#) and managed by [Charleston County Government's](#) RoadWise Program, in close coordination with the [Town of Mount Pleasant](#) and the [S.C. Department of Transportation](#).

The public can get up-to-date project information, including construction status and traffic alerts, online at http://www.ccroadwise.org/projects/johnnie_dodds/index.php.

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