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ROAD CLOSURES AND POSSIBLE TRAFFIC DELAYS

SUFFOLK, VA (February 22, 2012) The following roads in the City of Suffolk will have closures and possible delays today, Wednesday, February 22, 2012, due to construction and maintenance projects:

New Projects:

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Works' Traffic Engineering's Paint Crew will have a stationary left lane closure eastbound on Hwy. 58 between Staley Drive and the Rte. 10 exit from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Works will have a single lane closure on Hwy. 58 westbound over the Holland Bypass until 3:00 a.m.

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Works will have a flagger operation for vegetation control in both directions of Rt. 32 between Cypress Chapel and Adams Swamp Road until 3:00 p.m.

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Works will be performing bridge repairs involving a left lane closure on Rt. 58 westbound at the bridge carrying traffic to Rt. 10 (Godwin Blvd.) from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Works will have alternating lane closures on Nansemond Parkway between Wilroy Road and Ryan Arch until 1:30 p.m.

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Works will have a single lane closure on Garfield Avenue between Harrison Street and Pitchkettle Road until 3:00 p.m.

-City of Suffolk Department of Public Utilities Line Maintenance Division will be closing the southbound lane at 5012 Shoulders Hill Road from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to make repairs to a sewer force main.

Ongoing Projects:

-Contractors will have the outer westbound lane of Route 58 closed from Kenyon Road to Manning Bridge Road from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. to provide a safe work zone. This closure is for the installation of new water and sanitary sewer improvements. The work is scheduled for completion in early May 2012.

-A contractor will have possible flagger operations with single lane closures in the 4300 to 5200 block of Godwin Boulevard from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. every Tuesday through Friday. The work is expected to be ongoing through March 2012.

-A contractor will have possible shoulder and lane closures in the 3800 block of Bridge Road to conduct construction projects for the Bridge Road Medical Office Complex. This project is expected to be ongoing until March 2012.

-A contractor will be performing utility work requiring various lane closures on West Washington Street between Wellons Street and North Main Street. The work will run from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. until the end of February. The closing of the westbound lane and parking lane of West Washington Street will occur during phase one and the closing of the eastbound lane and parking lane of West Washington Street will occur during phase two. Roadway signage will be displayed to direct traffic detours for the project duration.

-A contractor may have periodic shoulder and lane closures in the 4600 to 4900 blocks of Sleepy Hole Road on the southbound side due to an ongoing project. The work is expected to last until April 2012.

-A contractor will continue to conduct extensive repair work on the Mills Godwin Bridge. The direction of work will change over to the southbound side. Two lanes of traffic will continue to remain open at all times. The project work zone will change to night work Mondays through Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. This phase of work is intended to be completed by the end of March 2012.

- City of Suffolk Department of Public Works will have a flagger operation on Rte. 10 (Godwin Boulevard) between Everett's Road and Kings Highway until 3:00 p.m. Minimal delays should be expected. This work zone is an ongoing project intended to be complete by the summer of 2012.

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