Cumberland County Approves Maintenance Work on County Bridges

Cumberland County, PA- The Cumberland County Commissioners awarded Lobar Associates from Dillsburg, PA a $537,239 contract today for maintenance on County-owned bridges. The proposed scope of work includes preventative maintenance on eight County bridges that includes:

- Bridge Road Bridge on Bridge Road over the Conodoguinet Creek in East Pennsboro Township
- Hays Bridge on Meadowbrook Road over the Conodoguinet Creek in North Middleton Township
- Burgner Bridge on Burgner Road over the Conodoguinet Creek in Lower Frankford Township
- Stanton Bridge on Graham Woods Road over the Conodoguinet Creek in Lower Frankford Township
- Grahams Bridge on Bridge Road over the Conodoguinet Creek in Upper Frankford Township
- Ramp Bridge on Covered Bridge Road over the Conodoguinet Creek in Hopewell Township
- Stonewall Bridge on Stonewall Road over the Middle Spring Creek in Southampton Township
- Ege Bridge on Mountain Road over the Yellow Breeches Creek in South Middleton Township

The contract will be completed within 105 calendar days from the notice to proceed that is anticipated to occur in early July. The work will be completed without full closure of the bridges with the exception of Burgner Bridge which will require a brief closure later this summer. Public notice and detour routes will be provided for the Burgner Road Bridge when the contractor establishes the final project schedule.

The maintenance contract is part of the County’s Bridge Capital Improvement Plan which details over $14 million of bridge replacement or repair projects throughout the County in the next six years. The primary funding source for the plan is a $5.00 per vehicle registration fee that the County approved earlier this year. These fees will generate approximately $1.1 million a year and allow the County to address critical bridge needs without increasing taxes. The funds generated from the vehicle registration fee cannot be used for the County General Fund and are designated for roadways and bridges. To generate this level of revenue without the $5.00 registration fee, a 2.5% property tax increase each year for the next six years would need to be enacted.

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