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## ***Hertzler Bridge to Remain Closed Through Summer of 2019***

**Carlisle, Pa.** – The Cumberland County Commissioners announced that Hertzler Bridge will remain closed through the summer of 2019 for a full rehabilitation project. The bridge was closed back in March because of damage from a vehicle crash. At that time, the County’s bridge engineer inspected Hertzler Bridge and recommended the closure until repairs could be made.

“One of the main reasons to delay the repairs to Hertzler bridge is related to cost,” said Kirk Stoner, director of the County’s Planning Department. “If we wait and build the repairs into our planned full rehabilitation, we’ll be saving the County and our taxpayers a significant amount of money with bidding and construction administration costs.”

In addition to the cost savings, Stoner added that the repairs needed because of the crash would take six to eight months to complete. These repairs would barely be completed before the bridge would be closed again for the full rehabilitation.

The 122- year old steel truss Hertzler Bridge is on Creek Road and crosses the Conodoguinet Creek in West Pennsboro and Lower Frankford townships. The bridge sees an average daily traffic rate of 460 vehicles and is weight posted to eight tons. Detour routes for Hertzler Bridge are on Alters Road, Creek Road, Meadowbrook Road and Bears School Road.

The Cumberland County Planning Commission helps build strong urban, suburban, and rural communities by promoting responsible economic development, providing transportation choices, encouraging housing diversity, and conserving natural and historic resources. More information on the work of the Planning Department can be found at [www.ccpa.net/planning](http://www.ccpa.net/planning).

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