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### Cumberland County Commissioners Kickoff Orrs Bridge Construction Project

**Carlisle, PA** – The Cumberland County Commissioners and local officials today kicked off the construction to replace Orrs Bridge over the Conodoguinet Creek in Hampden Township. The construction will occur in three phases over the next year-and-a-half and is the biggest project on the county's list of bridge capital improvement projects.

Orrs Bridge provides a critical north - south link that connects dense residential neighborhoods with employment and services on the Carlisle Pike and Wertzville Road.

“Orrs Bridge carries nearly 10,000 vehicles per day, the highest traffic count of all 28 county-owned bridges,” said Cumberland County Commissioner Vince DiFilippo. “Our federal and state partners recognize the importance of this bridge and have made substantial contributions for this project.”

The total allocation for the project is more than \$7.9 million, 80% funded by the federal government, 15% from state government and 5% from the county.

The new bridge will be constructed on a curve downstream from the existing bridge with two full-width 12-foot lanes, 5-foot shoulders, and approximately a 7-foot sidewalk for pedestrian traffic. The stone dome for the spring at the south side of the bridge and the rock dam across Conodoguinet Creek will not be impacted; however, access to the spring will be prohibited during construction. The old bridge will be removed once the new bridge is completed.

The three phases of construction include:

**Bridge Construction April 2019 – March 2020:** Long-term traffic control consists of maintaining vehicular traffic on the existing bridge, with pedestrian traffic prohibited. There may be occasional traffic stoppages to accommodate construction site access at either bridge approach during this period. This phase will take approximately 14 months.

**Roadway Approach Construction March 2020 – April 2020:** Once bridge construction is completed; a short-term detour will be utilized while the roadway tie-in points are constructed. This short-term detour will utilize

Creekview Road, Good Hope Road, and the Carlisle Pike. This detour length is approximately 3.8 miles. Traffic operations may be reduced to one-lane for short periods of time. This phase will take approximately 5 weeks.

**Bridge Demolition April 2020 – October 2020:** The existing bridge will be demolished after the new bridge is open to traffic. This phase will take approximately 5 months.

Deblin Construction of Mechanicsburg is the construction contractor, and Herbert, Rowland and Grubic, Engineering and Related Services is the county's bridge engineer and designer of this project.

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