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"Pardon Our Dust" Public Information Meeting Route 220 Safety Improvement Project in Botetourt County

Thursday, April 12, 2018, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

A brief presentation will be given at 5:15 and 6:15 p.m.

Eagle Rock Elementary School
145 Eagle's Nest Drive
Eagle Rock, VA 24085

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) Pardon Our Dust Public Information Meeting on the Route 220 Safety Improvement Project in Botetourt County.

This public meeting is being held to provide an opportunity for any person, acting on his/her own belief or representing a group or governing agency, to ask questions and learn more information about the project as it enters into the beginning phases.

A formal presentation will be held at 5:15 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Following each presentation, representatives from VDOT and Faulconer Construction will be available to answer questions.

Location



Project Overview



Cost – \$79 million

Purpose – Improve safety

From – 0.129 mile south of the intersection of Route 43 (Narrow Passage Road)

To – Intersection with Route 727 (Fork Farm Road)

Total Length of Improvements – 9.65 mile section of roadway on Route 220 between Iron Gate and the James River Bridge in Eagle Rock

Improvements – The project will improve the alignment, widen shoulders, improve intersections and create additional passing zones. Additional safety measures will include centerline and edge-line rumble strips, raised centerline pavement markers, paved shoulders and turn lanes at various intersections.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Traffic Impacts

Typical Work Hours and Lane Closures

- Typical work hours are expected to be Monday through Saturday during daylight hours, with no work anticipated to take place on Sunday.
- Occasional night work is possible.
- Route 220 will be reduced to one lane traffic at times during construction.
- Flaggers or temporary signals will be used to control traffic.
- Drivers can expect delays of approximately 5 to 15 minutes.

Lane Closures and Speed Limits

- One-lane work zones may be lengthy due to curves.
- Speed limit will be reduced to 45 MPH in active work zones.
- Message boards will be used at either end of the project to communicate traffic changes 24-hours in advance.
- Temporary lane closures can be removed if Route 220 becomes a detour route for I-81 or I-64 traffic incident.

Temporary Signals

- Temporary signals will be used when Route 220 is reduced to one lane for extended periods of time.
- One lane will remain open and traffic will alternate around the clock.
- Concrete barriers will be used, potentially creating restrictions for oversized vehicles.
- Only one temporary signal will be utilized at any one time, and can only be used between April 1 and September 30.
- The total number of days a temporary signal may be used is limited for the duration of the project, and will be used sparingly.

Noise Impacts

- Rumble strip installation and other aspects of the project may cause temporary noisy periods during daytime hours.
- At this point, no drilling or blasting to remove rock has been scheduled.
- If drilling or blasting becomes necessary, please note the following:
 - Both directions of Route 220 will be blocked for approximately 15-20 minutes.
 - Drivers should expect loud noises and allow extra travel time.
 - Nearby property owners will be notified directly.
 - Message boards will alert drivers.



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