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PENNDOT TO PROVIDE UPDATES AND SEEK INPUT AT PUBLIC MEETING ON CSVT PROJECT SOUTHERN SECTION

WHAT:

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) Engineering District 3-0 will host a public meeting to provide updates and seek input on the Central Susquehanna Valley Transportation Project (CSVT) Southern Section.

The CSVT Southern Section is a proposed four-lane limited access highway in Monroe Township and Shamokin Dam Borough, Snyder County. The new highway will connect US Routes 11/15 north of Selinsgrove to US Route 15 south of Winfield, and the project will include a connector from the new highway to PA Route 61 (the Veterans Memorial Bridge).

PennDOT's project design team will make a presentation starting at 6:30 P.M. An open house will follow starting at 7:30 P.M. that will display refinements made to the project design over the past year, information on the current engineering and environmental challenges, and other aspects of the design process. Project design team members will be available to address questions and receive feedback about the information presented during the meeting.

WHEN: Wednesday, February 15, 2017, 6:30 P.M. – 9 P.M.

*Inclement Weather Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2017, 6:30 P.M. – 9 P.M.

WHERE: Selinsgrove Middle School

401 18th Street

Selinsgrove, PA 17870

*This location is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

WHO: Matt Beck, P.E. Assistant Plans Engineer, PennDOT District 3-0

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*Media interviews with project design team members are available with advance notification/scheduling.

WHY:

Engineering and environmental challenges have arisen during final design of the CSVT Southern Section, which was initiated in 2015. In particular, PennDOT has recently determined that the project alignment must be modified between Fisher Road and Sunbury Road to avoid constructing the new highway on the nearby existing fly ash waste basins, as previously planned. (A fact sheet with additional information related to the fly ash waste basins is available at www.csvt.com.) Those challenges must be overcome to continue advancing design, right-of-way acquisition, and ultimately construction of the CSVT Southern Section.

Public involvement is a key component of the design process, and input from community members who live, work, or regularly travel in the area will be considered as alternate routes avoiding the ash basins are developed. All residents, business owners, and other interested parties are strongly encouraged to participate in the public meeting and offer their opinions and suggestions.

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