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Bridge Replacement Project Continues in Butler County

West Beaver Street bridge starts construction in Zelienople

(Indiana) – The Public-Private Partnership (P3) project to rebuild 558 bridges all across Pennsylvania continues in Butler County with reconstruction of the West Beaver Street (SR 68) bridge over Glade Run in Zelienople.

Located between Timberbrook Drive and Spruce Street by the Zelienople Volunteer Fire Department, the crossing was built in 1948 and averages 4,500 vehicles a day. Construction is scheduled to begin March 14 as the bridge is rebuilt one-half at a time, with one lane of traffic alternating in each direction controlled by temporary signals. The work is expected to be complete by mid-July and will be performed by Mekis Construction.

The West Beaver Street bridge is one of three to be replaced in Butler County in 2016. Another five are scheduled for 2017. Three were completed in 2015.

The bridge replacements are part of the Rapid Bridge Replacement Project, a Public-Private Partnership (P3) between PennDOT and Plenary Walsh Keystone Partners (PWKP) under which PWKP will finance, design, replace and maintain the bridges for 25 years. As part of PWKP, Walsh/Granite JV will oversee construction. The P3 approach will allow PennDOT to replace the bridges more quickly while achieving significant savings and minimizing impact on motorists.

To see the bridges included in the statewide initiative and to learn more about the Rapid Bridge Replacement Project and P3 in Pennsylvania, visit www.P3forPA.pa.gov. Additional information on the project, the team and how to bid on the project can be found at www.PARapidBridges.com.

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