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<u>Project Web site</u>: <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org/bee\_st\_and\_courtenay\_dr.html">http://www.ccroadwise.org/bee\_st\_and\_courtenay\_dr.html</a>
Project photos: <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org/bee\_st\_and\_courtenay\_dr.html#Photos">http://www.ccroadwise.org/bee\_st\_and\_courtenay\_dr.html</a>#Photos

## Nighttime Lane Closure on Lockwood Boulevard March 22-25

Lane closure between Alpha Street and Bee Street in downtown Charleston

<u>Charleston County Government</u> announces the following change as part of the <u>Bee Street and</u> Courtenay Drive Improvement Project:

- A lane closure will occur on Lockwood Boulevard between Alpha Street and Bee Street.
- The right lane for northbound traffic (coming from Calhoun Street toward U.S.17) will be closed March 22-25 during off-peak, nighttime hours between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- Drivers traveling through the project area are asked to be aware of equipment and crews working in the area.
- Alternative routes are recommended if possible.
- The public is asked to notice traffic control signs and to note that all road work is dependent on the weather.

Get up-to-date project information, including construction status, progress photos and traffic alerts, online at <a href="http://www.ccroadwise.org/bee\_st\_and\_courtenay\_dr.html">http://www.ccroadwise.org/bee\_st\_and\_courtenay\_dr.html</a>.

## **BACKGROUND ON THE PROJECT:**

- The project, which is expected to be completed this spring, is funded by the <u>Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax</u> and managed by <u>Charleston County Government</u>'s RoadWise Program.
- The Bee Street and Courtenay Drive Improvement Project will improve the vehicular movement around the Bee Street and Courtenay Drive area during peak hours and provide area drainage relief within the Bee Street area.
- The major components of the project improvements are:
  - The conversion of Courtenay Drive from Spring Street to Cannon Street from twoway traffic to one-way southbound traffic.
  - The widening of Courtenay Drive between Cannon Street and Ralph Johnson Boulevard to accommodate an additional lane in each direction and improvements at its intersection with Bee Street.
  - The complete demolition, reconstruction, and widening of Bee Street from Courtenay Drive to Lockwood Boulevard to improve drainage and reduce roadway settlement.
  - The relocation of 1,206' of twelve inch water line along Bee Street from Courtenay Drive to Lockwood Boulevard.
  - Improvements to the roadway drainage system on Courtenay Drive and Bee Street to complement the city of Charleston's future Spring/Fishbourne Drainage Improvement project.

- Upgraded traffic signals will be installed at the intersections of Courtenay Drive at Cannon Street and Courtenay Drive at Bee Street. The upgraded traffic signals will include pedestrian hand/man signal heads and improved cross walks.
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