

## **News Release**

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Project website: http://roads.charlestoncounty.org/projects/maybank/

## **Traffic Alert:** Lane Shift for Phase 2 of the Maybank Highway Improvements Project

<u>Charleston County Government</u> announces a lane shift will begin on Maybank Highway starting Tuesday, September 19. In addition to the lane shift, the speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph for the safety of crews working in the area. Crews will be working in the drainage ditch areas for phase 2 of the Maybank Highway Improvements Project. All work is weather permitting.

Eastbound Traffic coming from Johns Island to James Island will be shifted into the available left hand turn lane only into Fenwick Hall.

- The lane shift will occur during the day between 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday Friday.
- Drivers traveling through the project's construction zone are asked to be aware of equipment and crews working in the area at all times.
- This lane shift is expected to be in place for the next two weeks.

This phase of the project includes the continuation of the lane from the Paul J. Gelegotis Bridge to the existing right turn lane at the intersection of River Road. The widening will help alleviate the afternoon congestion onto Johns Island caused by the merging of the two travel lanes. Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations are also included.

The goal of the project is to improve traffic flow and safety on Maybank Highway and to provide adequate bicycle and pedestrian accommodations. Planning for the projected started in 2007 and construction will be completed in three phases.

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