Traffic Alert: Shoulder Closures will Begin June 18 in Preparation for the Harbor View Road Improvements Project

Charleston County Government is announcing shoulder closures will occur on Harbor View Road northbound and southbound between the intersections of North Shore Drive and Fort Johnson Road beginning June 18 at 9:00 a.m. Crews will be working on pruning and fertilization of trees along Harbor View Road in preparation for the Harbor View Road Improvements Project.

- Work will take place Mon-Fri between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- All work is expected to be completed by Friday June 27.
- All work zones will be marked with construction cones and signs; all work is dependent on the weather.
- Drivers traveling through the project’s construction zone are asked to be aware of equipment and crews working in the area at all times.
- The public is also asked to notice traffic control signs and work zones.

Approximately sixty Grand Trees will be pre-treated before construction activities to reduce stress and promote long-term tree health during and after road construction activities. Work includes deep root fertilization, removal of any large dead limbs and providing fourteen feet of vertical road clearance. All work will be performed under direction of a certified Arborist.

To replace four Grand Trees impacted, one in the Town of James Island and three in the City of Charleston, the following will be installed as part of the landscaping plans:

- 122 Three Inch Diameter trees of differing variety
- 82 Four Inch Diameter trees of differing variety

A complete list of all landscaping to be included in the project scope can be found on the project website at [http://roads.charlestoncounty.org/projects/harborviewroad/](http://roads.charlestoncounty.org/projects/harborviewroad/).

The goal of the project, which is expected to begin construction in August 2014, is to improve Harbor View Road between North Shore Drive and Fort Johnson Road (2.1 miles) by providing a center two-way left-turn lane between North Shore Drive and Affirmation Boulevard, adding right turn lanes at major
intersections, traffic signals at Fort Sumter Drive and Mikell Drive, a roundabout at the intersection with Fort Johnson Road, and adding pedestrian and bicycle facilities for the length of the project. The purpose of the project is to improve traffic flow and safety on Harbor View Road and to provide adequate bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

The project is funded by the Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax and managed by Charleston County Government.

Visit the official website at http://roads.charlestoncounty.org for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax road projects. For more information, call Charleston County’s Transportation Development Department at (843) 202-6140.

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