Construction Project to Improve Route 422 Intersection with Ramona Road Gets Underway

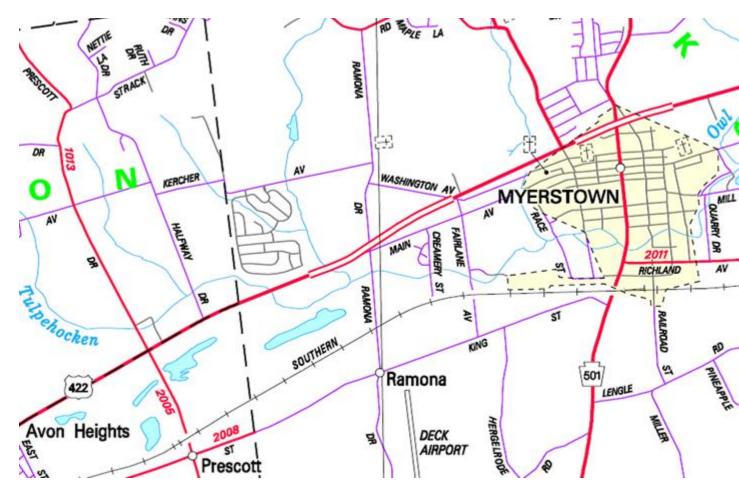
Harrisburg – A construction project gets underway today to improve the intersection between Route 422 and Ramona Road in Jackson Township, Lebanon County. Ramona Road (T-560) is a township road. Approximately 15,000 vehicles on Route 422 travel through this intersection on a daily basis. The project extends on Route 422 from Scenic Drive to West Washington Avenue.

The intent is to maintain traffic on Route 422 in a single lane in both directions throughout the day. There is sufficient width in the roadway to shift traffic and maintain a single lane each way. Though the contractor has the option to restrict traffic through the work zone if necessary, no traffic lane restrictions are permitted between 6 and 8:30 in the morning or between 3:30 and 6 in the late afternoon so as not to interfere with the heavy commuting hours for motorists.

PennDOT has contracted with Pennsy Supply, Inc. of Annville, Pennsylvania, to conduct the intersection safety improvement project at a cost of \$1,574,364. The work includes widening westbound Route 422 so that the eastbound roadway west of Ramona Road can be shifted to the north and aligned with the westbound roadway. The existing crisscrossing of eastbound Route 422 and West Main Avenue west of Ramona Road will be removed. The traffic signal at the intersection of Route 422 and Ramona Road will be upgraded and the traffic lanes will be reconfigured to have one through lane in each direction and along with left and right turn lanes on Route 422 at the intersection. The road will also be resurfaced with new asphalt. In addition, West Main Avenue will be realigned with Ramona Road a short distance to the south in order to provide more room for vehicles on northbound Ramona Road "to stack" in preparation for making a left turn onto westbound Route 422. The entire project is scheduled to be completed by the end of October.

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