

DERRY TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY Stormwater Management Program Project Update January 3, 2025

Ridge Road Drainage Improvements Project

The Derry Township Municipal Authority (DTMA) has entered into a contract with Ankiewicz Enterprises, Inc. (Ankiewicz) to construct the Ridge Road Drainage Improvements Project (Project). The Project will involve the replacement, upgrade, expansion and a degree of relocation of the storm sewer system from Spring Creek near Hersheypark, along Park Boulevard and Ridge Road, at the Ridge Road and West Chocolate Avenue intersection, and then south along Ridge Road to West Caracas Avenue.

Project work is actively occurring on the Hershey Company and Hershey Entertainment & Resorts properties north of Park Boulevard, and also adjacent to Ridge Road between Park Boulevard and West Chocolate Avenue.

Project construction during January 2025 and February 2025 will unfortunately require road closures. Ridge Road will be fully closed north of K Street and the Hershey Plaza Apartments entrance to Park Boulevard starting on January 6, 2025. This will be a full-time closure for 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. Ridge Road will remain fully closed in this manner likely into the first week of February. The Hershey Plaza Apartments, K Street and Hershey Towne Square will remain fully accessible at all times during the closure of Ridge Road.

Park Boulevard will have either a single lane or a full road closure starting in early February 2025. Exact dates and times of the Park Boulevard closure are to be determined.

Project work on West Chocolate Avenue will occur at night and will involve closure of a single lane only. DTMA anticipates that the work on West Chocolate Avenue will occur in early spring 2025.

DTMA shall keep the Township, residents and commercial property owners well informed of the Project's status, road closures, detours, items of note, etc. as the Project proceeds.

Lastly, DTMA is pleased to report that the orange fencing placed on the northern side of West Chocolate Avenue that was previously installed to protect pedestrians and businesses from wet weather flooding and the splashing of stormwater from passing vehicles has been removed.

As always, DTMA appreciates the Derry Township community's cooperation, patience and partnership while we work to improve our waterways and storm sewer systems.



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