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Ms. Christine E. King
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RE: I-95 Work Zone – Dillon County

Dear Ms. King:

Thank you for your email to Governor Nikki Haley concerning traffic conditions as a result of a work zone on Interstate 95 in Dillon County. Your comments were forwarded to me for investigation and response.

First, I would like to apologize for the inconvenience you experienced as a result of the traffic backup caused by the work zone. Let me assure you that one of our goals as an agency is the safe and efficient movement of traffic through our state. Any routine work that may hinder normal traffic flow is not allowed on holidays, weekends, during peak travel times, or as other conditions may warrant. However on occasion, emergency situations occur that require a lane closure during a time that may normally be prohibited, which may create heavy congestion and traffic backups.

This was the type of situation you experienced on Interstate 95 where a large hole formed in the deck of the bridge over the Great Pee Dee River. Our maintenance crews installed a lane closure in order to repair the hole, which caused traffic to backup. Once the work was completed, the majority of the crew left the work area and returned to the maintenance yard leaving behind a few employees to remove the traffic control from the roadway.

Once again, I apologize for the delay you experienced as you traveled through our state. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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