

Interstate 26 Widening and Rehabilitation

Lexington and Calhoun Counties

Weekly Update - September 23, 2016

Project Description: This construction project includes the widening of I-26 from four to six lanes, from the I-77 interchange to Old Sandy Run Road, and I-26 pavement rehabilitation from Old Sandy Run Road to Caw Caw Road. The replacement of the I-26 Bridge over CSX Railroad and Dixiana Road is also included in this project.

Construction Accomplishments for September 16-22, 2016:

- Completed paving the first of two asphalt layers on all shoulders and ramps in the westbound direction near the I-77 split.
- Completed the final layer of asphalt in the eastbound lanes near the I-77 split. Started paving final layer of asphalt on eastbound ramps in this area.
- Started paving final layer of asphalt in the westbound lanes near the I-77 split.

Construction Goals for September 23-30, 2016:

- Complete final layer of asphalt in all lanes in both directions near the I-77 split.
- Begin correcting all remaining asphalt problems in the westbound lanes from the bridge over CSX railroad to Old Sandy Run Road in preparation for placement of final layer of asphalt.
- Begin paving final layer of asphalt in eastbound direction between the bridge over CSX railroad and Old Sandy Run Road.
- Begin repairing shoulder damage along Exit 129 eastbound entrance ramp.

Remaining Work:

- Paving and opening of Dixiana Road.
- Repair shoulder along Exit 129 eastbound entrance ramp due to damage from Tropical Storm Hermine.
- Correct any asphalt problems in the westbound lanes near the bridge over CSX railroad to Old Sandy Run Road.
- Complete the final layer of asphalt between the bridge over CSX railroad to Old Sandy Run Road.



Project Obstacles:

- The Savany Hunt Creek Road bridge was damaged on August 26 following a collision.
- Tropical Storm Hermine impacted much of South Carolina over the labor day weekend. The rains stopped paving operations for 2 days.
- A truck crash on September 11 spilled fuel and damaged the pavement in the east bound lanes.
- Additional rain the week of September 23 has interrupted scheduled work.

Project Status:

- Final mainline paving, between the bridge over CSX railroad bridge and Old Sandy Run Road, will be completed in early October.
- The final paving from Old Sandy Run Road to Caw Caw Road is complete. Some minor ramp work must be done.
- The Savany Hunt Creek Road bridge was re-opened to cars with a truck detour. SCDOT is finalizing a repair plan.
- Estimated penalties to date: \$3,040,000

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Next weekly update will be provided on Friday, September 30, 2016

