

PennDOT schedules road work

Roadwork is scheduled by the state Department of Transportation in the following counties this week:

LYCOMING

- Embankment repairs along Route 973 in Watson Township Monday through Friday and Route 2061 on Green Valley Road in Penn Township Monday through Friday.
- Shoulder stabilization and brushing along Route 3007 on Pine Run Road in Anthony Township Monday through Friday.
- Crack sealing along Route 87 in Upper Fairfield Township Monday through Friday.
- Guiderail repair along Route 2029 on Northway Road in Loyalsock Township Monday through Tuesday.
- Brush cutting along Route 2061 on Green Valley Road in Penn Township Monday through Friday and Route 1001 on Rose Valley Road in Cascade Township Wednesday through Friday.
- Ditch cleaning along Route 44 in Washington Township Monday through Friday.
- Inlet and pipe repair along Route 14 in Lewis Township Monday through Friday.

TIOGA

- Patching along Route 6 in Charleston Township Monday through Tuesday and Route 249 in Chatham and Middlebury townships Thursday through



- Install guiderail delimiters along Route 15 in Tioga and Lawrence townships Monday through Friday.
- Repair shoulder washouts along Route 249 in Chatham Township Monday through Tuesday.
- Manual patching along Route 660 in Richmond Township Monday and Route 2023 on Lower Arnot Road in Bloss Township Tuesday through Thursday.
- Ditching and brushing along Route 102 on Newtown Hill Road in Sullivan Township Monday through Friday.
- Tree trimming and burshing along Route 1010 on Austinville Road in Sullivan Township Monday through Friday and Route 2008 on West Union Road in Union Township Monday through Wednesday.
- Brushing along Route 1018 in Rutland Township Thursday through Friday and Route 2019

on Randall Road in Union Township Monday through Friday.

- Crack sealing along Route 2005 on Bloss Mountain Road in Liberty and Bloss townships Monday through Tuesday.
- Shoulder stabilization along Route 2018 on Cherry Flats Road in Charleston and Covington townships Wednesday through Friday.
- Ditch cleaning along Route 3006 in Delmar Township Thursday through Friday, Route 3009 in Charleston Township Monday through Tuesday and Route 4005 in Brookfield and Westfield townships Thursday through Friday.
- Patching and ditching along Route 3007 in Shippen and Delmar townships Wednesday through Friday.
- Ditch cleaning and patching along Route 4007 in Brookfield and Westfield townships Monday through Wednesday.

BRADFORD

- Brush cutting along Route 2014 on French Asylum Road in Asylum Township, Route 4023 on Water Street in Smithfield Township, Route 3038 on Old State Road in Columbia Township, Route 4030 on Doty Hill Road in South Creek and Ridgebury townships, Route 1056 on Cotton Hollow Road in Litchfield Township, Route 1057 on N. Rome Road in Litchfield Township, Route 1012 on Mercur Road in Wysox Township and Route 1021 on Rummerfield

Road in Standing Stone Township.

- Ditch cleaning along Route 220 and Route 6 in Troy, Burlington and West Burlington townships.
- Drainage work along various routes in Canton, Leroy and Frankline townships.
- Sign installation and repair countywide.

SULLIVAN

- Repair washouts along Route 154 in Elkland Township Monday through Friday.
- Brush cutting along Route 1017 in Cherry Township Monday through Friday.
- Guiderail repairs along Route 87 on Hillsgrove Township Monday through Friday.

NORTHUMBERLAND

- Crack sealing along Route 54 in Ralpho, Coal and Mt. Carmel townships Monday through Friday, Route 3005 on Slutter Valley Road in Washington Township Monday through Friday, Route 147 in West Chilisquaue Township Monday through Friday and Route 61 in Upper Augusta Township Monday through Friday.
- Reimbursable activity reports guiderail repair along Route 4018 on Brush Valley Road in Upper Augusta Township Monday through Friday.
- Brushing along Route 890 in Upper Augusta Township Monday through Friday.

• Sign upgrade along Route 4005 on Market Street in Shamokin Township Monday through Friday.

UNION

- Crack sealing and brushing along Route 2002 on County

Line Road in Union Township Monday through Friday.

- Crack sealing along Route 2004 on Furnace Road in Buffalo and East Buffalo townships and Route 3003 on Eighth Street in Mifflinburg Borough Monday.

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Route investigations for 'super loads' moves in Bradford County townships

The state Department of Transportation's Engineering District 3 is working with two entities on oversize and overweight load moves in Bradford County.

The area where the moves are being evaluated include Towanda Borough, Towanda Township, Asylum Township, and Wysox Township. The two routes under review for the moves are listed below:

- Route 187 in Wysox and Asylum townships and the bridge

over the North Branch of the Susquehanna River.

- Merrill Parkway, to Route 2027, to Route 2024, to Tip Top Road to Route 187 and using the Route 2024 bridge over Towanda Creek.

Due to the size and weight of the "super loads" and regardless of which route is selected, a bridge will need to be closed to traffic during the moves and remain closed until a bridge inspection is conducted after the moves.

The two entities are contacting

all stakeholders to coordinate possible bridge closures for the moves.

Before issuing a permit for either route, the department will review the results of the route investigations to ensure public safety is maintained throughout the moves.

At this time, no route has been permitted and a schedule for the moves has not been finalized. Once the route and schedule for the moves has been finalized, an updated press release will be issued.

River Town Program brings energy to Renovo

By KEVIN RAUCH
The Express

RENOVO — Elected officials and volunteers in western Clinton County are hoping a well-attended public forum on Jan. 15 will be a springboard to economic and community improvements.

About 100 people showed up at the Renovo Fire Hall for a brainstorming session organized by prospective members of a regional River Town team and held under the auspices of the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership and the SEDA-Council of Governments.

Residents and officials representing Renovo and South Renovo boroughs and surrounding townships participated in group sessions focusing on the business district, neighborhoods, the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, tourism opportunities, streets and highways, infrastructure and more.

The idea is to form a regional River Town Team and develop a list of priorities for new investment — whether street improvements, recruiting businesses, building a boat launch at the foot of Fifth Street, a riverfront park and/or river walk, improving signage, dealing with blighted properties — and then working to tackle them one at a time by gathering people and financial resources.

Other priorities are to improve walkability and bikeability and focus on regional marketing. Some said the region needs to reach out to a larger area with marketing, opening the visitor center for longer hours, and offer new events such as a race or river related event.

Renovo Councilwoman Kari Kepler told the crowd the borough aggressively is seeking funding sources to upgrade water lines and sidewalks with the goal of repaving Erie and Ontario avenues. SEDA-COG is helping the borough apply for a competitive, \$750,000 grant for water and sewer line upgrades, street reconstruction and demolition of blighted properties along Ontario Avenue.

Rough sketches of a boat launch at the foot of Fifth Street with an elevated parking area along the river were on display,

though those plans are very preliminary.

The state Department of Transportation already has made plans for improvements to Huron Avenue-Route 120 this coming summer.

But it is regional cooperation and collective support — understanding that improvements benefit all area residents — that will result in real progress, SEDA-COG representative Betsy Lockwood said.

The Partnership will provide a list of ideas and concerns that came from the meeting to present to a River Town Team to assess

and build regional support. It then will guide the team through the prioritizing and decision-making process, with SEDA-COG already working locally on various strategies.

Many people signed up as volunteers for the team.

Alice Trowbridge, of the SGP, said the goal is to build a regional team representing the boroughs and townships, then find projects to tackle.

"There is a lot of energy here and there are a lot of people who want to be involved," Trowbridge said.

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