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Woodview Road Bridge Replacement Project Completion

Chester County, PA – The Woodview Road Bridge, which sustained significant structural damage during a severe storm in 2020, is now reopened following a complex and multi-phased process.

Bridge replacement involves numerous critical steps, including funding acquisition, engineering design, permitting, and construction. These phases often overlap and are subject to both regulatory review and environmental constraints—particularly in protected areas like the White Clay Creek National Wild and Scenic River System.

For a typical timeline for such a project please visit our website at https://www.londongrove.org/bridges-culverts/

This project faced additional delays due to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, which significantly impacted governmental and regulatory operations. The permit review process was further complicated by the location within a federally protected White Clay Creek National Wild and Scenic River System, requiring multi-agency coordination.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Stephen Zurl, played a vital role in advocating with state legislators to help move the permitting process forward. Township staff also worked closely with engineers and regulatory agencies to keep the project on track and to keep residents informed through regular updates on the Township website.

In January 2025, the Township's Public Works Department commenced demolition of the damaged bridge. Their scope included removal of asphalt and concrete layers, guiderail dismantling, steel substructure removal, and site excavation for crane access and coffer dam installation. Following site preparation, the crew installed precast bridge components, foundations, pedestal walls, and re-profiled the roadway. Final tasks included guiderail installation, finish grading, and landscaping.

Final paving for the project, including a new overlay extending to Gap Newport Pike (Route 41), will be completed later in the year as part of the Townships annual paving program.

"This project was a true team effort," said Chairman Stephen Zurl. "From navigating a lengthy state and federal permitting process to executing the construction in-house, the Township Office and Public Works staff demonstrated exceptional professionalism and dedication. Their expertise delivered a critical infrastructure project while saving taxpayers significant costs."

The Township extends its sincere thanks to residents for their patience and support throughout this process. The bridge is now open for all to use.