



Port Access Road Project March 2018 Update

When completed, the Port Access Road will connect I-26 to the SC Ports Authority's new Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. Terminal in North Charleston with two inbound and two outbound lanes for all port-related traffic. The new fully directional interchange will also serve local and commercial vehicles with a Bainbridge Avenue connector road, an extension of Stromboli Avenue, associated improvements to local streets, and improved I-26/Meeting Street access ramps.



While this photo is **not** on our project, it does depict a concrete girder similar to the ones that will soon arrive for the new Meeting Street ramps on and off of I-26 and the mainline.

Concrete Girders are Scheduled to Arrive this Month

With dozens of pier caps now in place across the project, construction can begin to shift from work in the ground to work overhead.

For the past year, crews have been working on the project's substructure. Substructure elements include: the drilled shaft or driven pile foundations, footings, columns, and pier caps.

The project's superstructure includes: girders, deck pans, and the concrete road deck. The substructure elements distribute the weight of the superstructure. The superstructure supports the roadway and provides the flexibility needed to withstand diverse loads and extreme weather conditions.

The first spans of concrete girders will be placed over Meeting Street for the new ramps on and off of I-26. Precast with steel and concrete, these concrete girders will be delivered from Wilmington, North Carolina.

East End of Meeting Street Road to Close

The construction of an extended and revamped Stromboli Avenue between Carner and Spruill Avenues is one of the

Port Access Road Project's local roadway improvements. Construction of the new Stromboli and Carner intersection requires Meeting Street Road, between Jacksonville and Carner Avenue, to be closed with a new cul-de-sac. Look for this permanent closure to occur in the coming weeks. Notice will be provided to businesses on Meeting Street Road, south of Dorchester Ave., approximately a week prior to closure.



Meeting Street Road, seen at the bottom left of the picture, will be closed with a cul-de-sac at Carner and Meeting to begin construction on Stromboli - which will be extended to Carner.

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