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# TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT COMPLETED ON ROUTE 17 IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recently completed a \$2.3 million project to upgrade traffic signal equipment along the Route 17 corridor in Gloucester County, as well as add pedestrian crossing devices and crosswalks at several intersections.

Over the past 18 months, traffic signal equipment was enhanced at 20 intersections on Route 17 between Glens and Gloucester Point. Pedestrian crossing devices and crosswalks were added to three of the intersections.

With new equipment now in place, VDOT's Traffic Operations Center and traffic signal technicians can now remotely adjust traffic signal timing at these intersections. This will allow VDOT to swiftly respond to incidents on Route 17 that cause disruption to normal travel patterns and adjust the signal timing as needed to reduce congestion. It will also allow VDOT to adjust signal timing during emergencies. Route 17 is designated as a hurricane evacuation route.

Additionally, pedestrian crossing devices and marked crosswalks were installed at three intersections to provide a safer environment for pedestrians to cross Route 17.

The intersections with improved traffic signal equipment include:

- Route 17 at Route 33 (Lewis B. Puller Memorial Highway) / Route 198 (Glenns Road)
- Route 17/ Route 14 at Route 606 (Ark Road) / Route 606 (Fary's Mill Road)
- Route 17/ Route 14 at McFadden Way/ Hospital Drive
- Route 17 / Route 14 at Route 14/Route 17 Business (Main Street)/Route 619 (Fiddlers Green Road)
- Route 17 at Route 616 (Belroi Road)
- Route 17 at Route 17 Business (Main Street)/Route 1075 (W. Main Street)
- Route 17 at Route 1024 (Beehive Drive)/ entrance to 7-11 store
- Route 17 at Route 615 (Burleigh Road)/ Route 615 (Short Lane)
- Route 17 at Route 780 (Canon Way)
- Route 17 at Route 628 (T.C. Walker Road)
- Route 17 at Route 614 (Hickory Fork Road)
- Route 17 at Route 636 (Brays Point Road)/ entrance to Auto Max
- Route 17 at Route 636 (Providence Road)
- Route 17 at Route 1307 (Crewe Road)
- Route 17 at Route 1304 (Powhatan Drive)
- Route 17 at Route 216 (Guinea Road)/ Route 1219 (Hook Road) – Improvements included pedestrian crossing equipment and crosswalks
- Route 17 at York River Crossing Shopping Center/Hayes Plaza Shopping Center
- Route 17 at Route 641 (Tidemill Road)
- Route 17 at Route 1240 (Camp Okee Drive)/Route 1208 (Greate Road) – Improvements included pedestrian crossing equipment and crosswalks
- Route 17 at Route 1206 (Lafayette Heights Drive) – Improvements included pedestrian crossing equipment and crosswalks

**\*\* End of Announcement\*\***

