U.S. 422 M1B Construction Update: Fall 2026

Westbound Construction Nearing Completion

Fall 2026 – PennDOT's contractor finished placing the concrete riding surface on the new westbound U.S. 422 lanes this summer (*see below*) under Stage 3 of PennDOT's $83.6 million U.S. 422 Section M1B project to reconstruct and improve 2.1 miles of the highway in Lower Pottsgrove Township, Montgomery County.



The westbound portions of the new bridges over Porter Road and Sanatoga Road were completed over the summer.

Construction of five sections of sound barriers on the westbound side of U.S. 422 (*see photos below*) progressed through the summer and is expected to be completed this fall.

The completion of the sound walls and a traffic shift will mark the beginning of Stage 4 construction, the final stage, which is currently anticipated to take place in early November, weather permitting. Westbound traffic will shift onto the new westbound pavement, and eastbound traffic will remain in its current configuration, allowing PennDOT's contractor to begin reconstruction of the center area of U.S. 422.



Once the project is completed, the highway will have improved curve radii, shoulder widths, and vertical clearance that will enhance safety for drivers,

Installation of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) components - electronic message signs and traffic cameras - included in the project also is underway on roadways that feed traffic onto U.S. 422 and adjacent arterials at various locations. ITS work this fall will find crews working on Route 23 in the Spring City, Phoenixville, and Valley Forge areas in Chester County.



Drivers will encounter regular offpeak daytime and overnight lane closures during construction Stages 3 and 4.

Work on the project is scheduled to finish in early 2028.

The construction contract, financed with 80 percent federal and 20 percent state funds, is the seventh project in PennDOT's initiative to rebuild and improve the U.S. 422 bypass near Pottstown. Since 2012, PennDOT has completed five projects, valued at $263.4 million, to improve the U.S.422 corridor in Montgomery and Chester counties. A sixth project (Section MCP) — addressing maintenance issues between the Trooper Road and Sanatoga Road exits — was completed in 2024.

J.D. Eckman is the general contractor on Section M1B.