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Water Tower Road between Highways 31 and 22 to close for three weeks for repairs starting February 15

North Myrtle Beach, SC – February 12, 2018 – In the early morning hours of Thursday, February 15, Water Tower Road between Highway 31 and Highway 22 will close to traffic for about three weeks to allow a contractor to accomplish major repairs to the damaged roadway. The contractor is currently mobilizing equipment.

The project will cost about \$523,000.

Provisions have been made for access by emergency vehicles.

Several weeks ago, rainwater entered the road base and then froze, lifting up and ruining the asphalt surface.



The contractor has begun to mobilize for the road repair project.

The contractor will remove the existing asphalt from the roadway, mix it with a concrete polymer, and then apply the mix to the roadway to form a more stable base. The mix must cure for several days, followed by the application of a final course of asphalt.

Closing the road to all traffic greatly reduces project cost and time. Additionally, the nature of the road makes it unsafe for a one-lane operation. The 1-1/2 mile stretch of road has two 12-1/2-foot-wide lanes with guardrails, islands in the middle, and there is no lighting.

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