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May River Road Streetscape Update  
Nighttime Road Detours to Begin Sunday, April 22

As the May River Road Streetscape project enters its final stage, intermittent nighttime road detours are required to finish the road work. Starting Sunday, April 22, from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., crews will be working to clean and fill gaps between the curbing and pavement edges. These nighttime detours will last for two to three weeks, depending on weather.

Please follow directions from flag crew members and all construction zone signage. There will also be electronic message boards on May River Road to assist you.

The final tasks of the May River Streetscape are scheduled through May and include:

- Installation of landscaping and irrigation.
- Installation of a “living” fence (i.e., a 6-foot, trellis-structure to allow growing vines to produce a visual barrier) from Messex Marathon Station to Red Cedar Street.
- Final surfacing of May River Road. Please note this activity is weather-dependent and requires temperatures of at least 50 degrees.
- Installation of final lighting, landscaping and street furnishings.

About the May River Road Streetscape:

The Town and its contractor, Preferred Materials, Inc., began constructing the second and final phase of the May River Road Streetscape Project in early January 2017. This 2,800-foot project along May River Road runs from Pin Oak Street to Jennifer Court and will include:

- Road improvements from Pin Oak Street to Red Cedar Street, including curb and gutter installation;
- The road widening portion of this project will enable approximately 29 additional on-street parking spaces to be installed from Pin Oak Street to Whispering Pines Street;
- Sidewalk/street light installation on both sides of May River Road. On the north side (same side of street as Dollar General), a sidewalk and street lighting will be installed from Pin Oak Street to Jennifer Court. On the south side of the street (same side of street as the Stock Farm neighborhood), a sidewalk will be installed from Thomas Heyward Street to Ginkgo Lane. Streetlights on the south side will be installed from Thomas Heyward to Red Cedar Street.
- Storm sewer infrastructure, featuring a water quality control device, has been installed. This device separates oils and sediments from stormwater prior to stormwater entering the May River.

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- Landscaping, supported by an irrigation system, is also part of this extensive project which will improve the aesthetic appeal when entering the Town along May River Road.

If you have any questions or comments about the May River Road Streetscape Project, please contact me at (Office) 843-706-7824 or (Email) [bmcilwee@townofbluffton.com](mailto:bmcilwee@townofbluffton.com).

On behalf of the Town of Bluffton, we are all looking forward to the completion of the May River Road Streetscape project and enjoying a beautiful entry to Bluffton's Historic District.