



# Borough of Chambersburg

*A full service municipality in Franklin County celebrating over 65 years of consumer owned natural gas service over 120 years of community electric and a regional wastewater, water, storm sewer and municipal solid waste utility*

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### CHAMBERSBURG NOTIFIED BY CSX RAILROAD ORCHARD DRIVE RR CROSSING WILL BE CLOSED

**THIS WEEK 4/17/2017 TO 4/21/2017**

Chambersburg – On Thursday April 13, the Borough of Chambersburg received official word from BENCHMARK CONSULTING, a contractor for the CSX Railroad that the Orchard Drive railroad crossing near S. Main Street (U.S. 11) was to be closed for a complete replacement beginning this Monday, April 17, 2017 and running to potentially Friday, April 21, 2017 impacting dozens of businesses and thousands of residents.

The Borough is moving quickly to notify as many folks as possible so that they may choose other routes or avoid this area altogether.

The Borough has been told that access to all businesses on Orchard Drive will remain open from the Wayne Avenue (PA 316) entrance to the Chambers Five Business Park. **Use Wayne Avenue (PA 316) to access Orchard Drive during this week.**

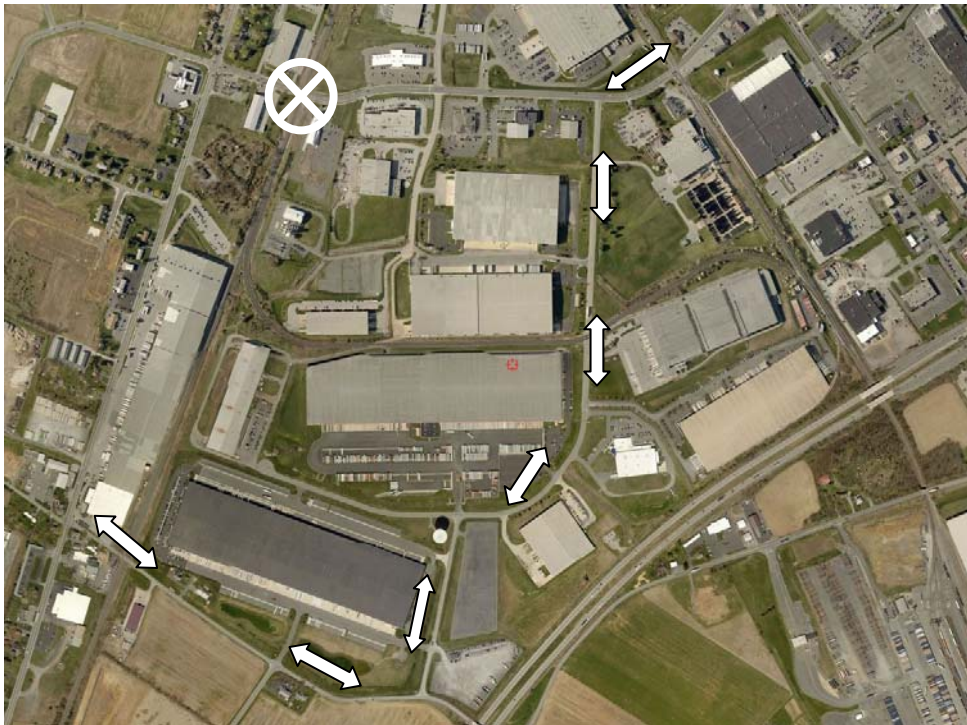
All businesses and citizens should use either Wayne Avenue (PA 316) or access Orchard Drive from Nitterhouse Drive via Kriner Road in Guilford Township. Through traffic between Wayne Avenue (PA 316) and S. Main Street (U.S. 11) must use Nitterhouse Drive or Kriner Road to avoid this closed railroad crossing.

The Borough of Chambersburg has notified Franklin County so that emergency vehicles can avoid the closed railroad crossing.

Impacted businesses including Ventura Foods, Results Fitness, Good-To-Go, The Orchards, Nursery Supplies, Dollar General, Aerotek, Spicher's Appliances, Appalachian Running Company, TBJ, Inc., Summit Occupational Health, Jenni Nails & Spa, DRW Glass, and others. All will remain accessible via Orchard Drive from Wayne Avenue.

The firm handling permitting for the CSX Railroad project is BENCHMARK CONSULTING and their representative is Mr. Bill Betterley, who can be reached for comment at (864) 684-6885.

**This is not a Chambersburg Borough project nor is Chambersburg Borough responsible for the street detours established by the CSX Railroad. All inquiries should go to Mr. Betterley.**



Chambersburg is a unique community. Chambersburg supplies more services than any other municipality in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In addition to typical town functions, Chambersburg is Pennsylvania's only municipality supplying electric and gas. Chambersburg is 1 of 35 Boroughs to operate a municipal non-profit electric utility. Chambersburg is the largest municipal electric utility in the State, twice as large as the second largest, Ephrata, Lancaster County; and, the only one to operate generation stations. Chambersburg is 1 of 2 municipalities in PA to operate a natural gas utility. The other is Philadelphia, which does not operate an electric utility. Nationally, Chambersburg is 1 of 2,000 communities to have its own electric system and 1 of 800 communities to have a natural gas system but 1 of only about 50 to operate both. Chambersburg manages a regional water system, a regional sanitary sewer system (not through an independent Authority), and a new storm sewer utility; one of the first storm sewer utilities to form under the new Federal mandate to regulate stormwater.

Chambersburg currently has 20,508 residents (2013). [www.chambersburgpa.gov](http://www.chambersburgpa.gov)