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TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS ON NH ROUTE 12A IN CORNISH
TO ALLOW RECONSTRUCTION OF THE RAILROAD CROSSING
AT BALLOCH'S CROSSING

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation announces NH Route 12A in Cornish will be restricted to one way alternating traffic, beginning Monday, October 20, 2003 from 5:00 AM until Thursday, October 23 at 6:00 PM. This restriction will occur at the railroad crossing approximately one-quarter mile north of the Cornish/Claremont town line.

This work is necessary to allow replacement of the railroad tracks and ties within the highway right of way as well as the repaving of the highway approaches to the crossing.

Traffic will be detoured around the project on a temporary one lane, alternating traffic detour. A New Hampshire Department of Transportation crew will restrict traffic through the work zone to a single 12-foot wide lane. The restriction is expected to continue throughout the week until the work is complete. Plans are to use stop and yield signs, barrels, changeable message signs and concrete barriers to guide vehicles through the work area. In the event of adverse weather conditions, the start and end dates of the lane restriction may be delayed.

Motorists traveling on NH Route 12A in Cornish are asked to exercise caution when driving through the work zone, as workers and equipment will be present. Motorists should also be alert to passenger and freight trains that may be operating through the construction zone. Minor delays may be expected. Because of the short duration of the construction, motorists should be alert to changes in traffic patterns as the work progresses during the week.