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**MEDIA ALERT: Ribbon to be Cut on Freedom Road Expansion Project**

**WHO:** The Cranberry Township Board of Supervisors and administration, joined by officials from Butler County and PennDOT

**WHAT:** A ribbon-cutting to unveil the next phase of work along the Freedom Road corridor

**WHERE:** CVS rear parking lot, 1181 Freedom Road, Cranberry Township, Pa.

**WHEN:** 11 a.m. Saturday, April 29, 2023

**ABOUT THE PROJECT:** Freedom Road BUILD 1 is the next step in a multi-year effort to expand and modernize the Freedom Road Corridor.

- Freedom Road was expanded with multimodal improvements from Commonwealth Drive to Haine School Road.
- Work was paid for via a \$20 million Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Developments (BUILD) grant, which Butler County secured in 2018.
- Construction began in 2021 and final touches were completed in 2023.
- Work followed the replacement of the Freedom Road Turnpike Bridge along Freedom Road over the Pennsylvania Turnpike.
- Work on the next phase, titled BUILD 2, began in late 2022. It will expand and improve Freedom Road from Haine School Road to Powell Road.
- Work will be paid for via a \$25 million BUILD grant secured by Butler County in 2020.
- In total, the Route 228 and Freedom Road corridors will see more than \$62 million worth of work in the coming years.