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### **Blue Ridge Parkway to Replace Substandard Guardrail from Milepost 0 to 356**

(Asheville, NC; Boone, NC; Roanoke, VA) Blue Ridge Parkway management announces that on Monday, December 7, 2009, a contract with Espina Stone, Inc. will begin replacing substandard guardrail on the Parkway, beginning at Milepost 0 at Rockfish Gap, US Route 250 and Interstate 64, and ending at Milepost 356 at Asheville, NC Route 358. All construction work will commence under one-lane traffic controlled by flagmen, and visitors should expect potential delays of up to 15 minutes. To lessen the inconvenience to Parkway visitors, contract work will be limited to weekdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., with only occasional work expected on weekends.

Parkway management regrets any inconvenience this may cause to park visitors but are grateful for the opportunity to make the safety improvements provided by replacing the substandard guardrail.

This project is expected to be completed in 600 days with an estimated completion in May/June of 2011.

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