NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Route 4 over Flat Rock Brook Bridge Deck Replacement Project Englewood City, Bergen County

Pre-construction Public Information Center Tuesday, March 19, 2013 6:30 pm

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a Pre-construction Public Information Center to inform local residents, officials and the business community about the Route 4 over Flat Rock Brook Bridge Deck Replacement project in the City of Englewood Bergen County. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail or e-mail.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held in the Council Chambers of the Englewood City Court House, 75 S. Van Brunt Street, Englewood, New Jersey, on Tuesday, March 19th, at 6:30 pm. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the proposed project, ask questions and discuss any concerns with NJDOT staff members. If you are unable to attend, but are interested in learning about this project, please contact us at the e-mail or phone number listed below.

Project Background

The NJDOT Bridge Management System, through the bi-annual bridge inspection program, has identified the Route 4 over Flat Rock Brook structure as in need of a deck replacement. The existing deck slab has deteriorated to a point where the rating is 'poor' and continued repairs are required to keep the structure operational.

The existing bridge abutments are in good condition with only minor crack repairs required.

The Project

The scope of the project is the replacement of the deck slab on the Route 4 over Flat Rock Brook

Bridge which is located immediately west of the Jones Road overpass and interchange.

Due to the high daily traffic volume on Route 4, the traditional method of deck replacement, castin-place, will not be utilized on this project. Instead, the replacement will be accomplished utilizing rapid construction techniques, specifically, pre-cast deck panels. This will allow the complete deck to be replaced over two weekends.

In order to facilitate the weekend replacement of the deck, it will be necessary to completely close the westbound lanes of Route 4 one weekend and close the eastbound lanes the second weekend.

Detours

Since we will be closing an entire direction of Route 4 over a weekend, extensive detours will be signed to help motorists get around the work zone. Both local detours and long range detours will be utilized.

Since much of the traffic on Route 4 during a weekend is pass-through traffic coming to and from New York, the intent of the long range detours is to divert this traffic far away from the work area on State Highways and to avoid having this traffic enter the local network creating congestion on the municipal roadways.

Estimated Construction Schedule

Begin: May 2013

Anticipated Completion: September 2013

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