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Route 73 and Ramp G, Bridge over Route 130

 Bridge Replacement – Concept Development Project

Pennsauken Township, Camden County

Public Information Center

Thursday, October 18, 2018, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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| The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance the transportation needs, the environment, community concerns, and cost. NJDOT will hold a **Public Information Center (PIC)** to inform local residents, officials, and the business community about the **Preliminary Preferred Concept for the** **Route 73 and Ramp G, Bridge over 130 Project.** You are encouraged to participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail, or e-mail.THE MEETINGThe PIC meeting will be held at the **Pennsauken Free Public Library, 5605 N Crescent Boulevard, Pennsauken Township, New Jersey 08330 on Thursday, October 18th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the concept plan, ask questions and share information with NJDOT staff members. Property owners of rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate. PROJECT BACKGROUNDWithin the project limits, Route 73 is an eight (8) lane divided highway and is classified as an Urban Principal Arterial, with a posted speed limit of 65 mph. The Route 73 and Ramp G, Bridge over Route 130 (Structure No. 0416-151) was originally constructed in 1930 and reconstructed/ widened in 1961. The bridge consists of three separate structures: a single-span concrete encased steel stringer structure (from the original construction), a single-span steel girder structure and a two-span steel girder structure (from the widening). The bridge carries six (6) travel lanes of traffic and two (2) auxiliary lanes, separated by a 15-foot concrete median. There are no existing shoulders on the structure. A 6-foot sidewalk runs along the southbound side and a 3.5-foot safety walk runs along the northbound side of the structure. PROJECT PURPOSEThe Transportation Problem Statement for the Route 73 and Ramp G, Bridge over Route 130 submitted by NJDOT Bridge Engineering and Infrastructure Management, recommends bridge replacement. Based on the physical condition of the substructure, the bridge has reached the condition at which it needs to be replaced to avoid additional deterioration and major future rehabilitation costs.|This project will seek to minimize traffic and community impacts during construction, and minimize impacts to environmentally sensitive areas. | **PRELIMINARY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE (PPA)**The Preferred Preliminary Alternative (PPA) concept proposes full bridge replacement using steel girders. The PPA includes addressing all substandard conditions by raising the existing profile on Route 73 and widening Route 73 and Route 130 within the existing right of way limits. The proposed section on the bridge includes six (6) 12-foot travel lanes, two (12)-foot auxiliary lanes separated by a 2-foot concrete median. The addition of 4-foot wide left shoulders and 10-foot wide right shoulders and 6-foot wide sidewalks with a 1’-9” protective pedestrian barrier will run along both sides of the structure. All guiderail will be upgraded to meet current standards. Conceptual staging calls for the construction of the proposed bridge to be built in three (3) stages to minimize traffic and community impacts. Staging will consist of maintaining two (2) travel lanes and one (1) auxiliary lane in each direction during construction.ESTIMATED PROJECT SCHEDULE* Start Preliminary Engineering: spring 2019
* Start Final Design: summer 2020
* Start Construction: winter 2021

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