NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Farnsworth Avenue (CR 545) Bridge Over Robbinsville Secondary Conrail
City of Bordentown, Burlington County
Public Information Center
January 24, 2019 from 6:00 – 8:00 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 **Public Information Center** to inform local residents and businesses of the proposed **Farnsworth Avenue (CR 545) Bridge Over Robbinsville Secondary Conrail project.**You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail, or by e-mail.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held at the Carslake Community Center, 207 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown City on January 24, 2019 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Please plan to attend at a time that is convenient for you. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the proposed project, ask questions and discuss any concerns with NJDOT staff and representatives.

Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are invited and encouraged to participate in this process.

Historic/Cultural Resources and Recreational Parkland

Federal regulations pertaining to the protection of historic properties, referred to as the Section 106 process; and the protection of publicly-owned parkland and recreation areas, referred to as Section 4(f); require the NJDOT to take into account the effect and impacts of proposed projects to these protected resources. A handout with information about the Section 106 and Section 4(f) processes will be available at the Public Information Center.

NJDOT is required to solicit public input to assist it to carry out the Section 106 and Section 4(f) processes. Historic preservation organizations, historical societies, and similar groups, or individuals with information about cultural resources (archaeological or architectural) specific to the Farnsworth Avenue Bridge, or public and recreational uses specific to the Bordentown City Veterans Memorial, are encouraged to attend the Public Information Center or comments may be submitted to:

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Background

The NJDOT has identified the Farnsworth Avenue (CR 545) Bridge over Conrail as being structurally deficient and functionally obsolete. The proposed project will improve safety by replacing the bridge. This project will also improve pedestrian mobility by reconstructing the sidewalk and curb

ramps along Farnsworth Avenue within the project limits so that they are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The proposed project limits along Farnsworth Avenue are approximately 100 feet to the north and south of the bridge.

Proposed Construction:

The NJDOT proposes the following improvements:

- The structurally deficient bridge will be replaced.
- Roadway pavement will be replaced within the project limits.
- The Veterans Memorial will be removed and stored during the bridge construction. It will be reassembled once construction is complete.
- The sidewalks and curb ramps will be reconstructed, where needed, to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Access impacts to existing parking are minimal and will be mitigated to maintain access to all facilities during construction.
- Temporary right of way parcels will be required for this project.
- Public utilities will be relocated with service maintained during the project construction.

Traffic Control and Staging

Farnsworth Avenue will be closed at the bridge to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic during the bridge replacement. All traffic will be diverted to detour routes during the bridge construction.

Rail traffic will be maintained below the bridge during construction, with minimal impacts to train schedules.

Estimated Project Schedule

Final Design Start: Spring 2021
Estimated Construction Start: Spring 2023
Estimated Construction Completion: Fall 2025

For further information contact:

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