



## Public Information Center

### Route 40 Woodstown Intersection Improvements From Green Street to Wilson Avenue Borough of Woodstown and County of Salem

**Thursday, March 21, 2019 from 6 PM - 8 PM**

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements which best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a **Public Information Center** to inform local residents and businesses of the **Improvements and construction schedule in connection with Route 40 Woodstown Intersection Improvements**.

You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail, or via e-mail.

#### **The Meeting:**

The Public Information Center will be held **from 6 PM - 8 PM at the Woodstown Borough Hall, 25 West Avenue, Woodstown, NJ**.

Please come at a time that is convenient for you. The meeting will provide an opportunity to view information on the plans and construction staging. NJDOT and the designer's staff will be on hand to answer any questions.

#### **Project Background:**

A Transportation Problem Statement was initiated by South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) on August 14, 2003 indicating operational and safety problems, and quality of life issues. It stated that trucks traveling through the Borough of Woodstown on US Route 40 are frequently queued at several intersections, which produces excessive noise and vibrations. Heavy vehicles cannot be re-routed, but the goal is to reduce the need for trucks to decelerate and accelerate in order for them to drive through the US Route 40/45 and Main Street intersection.

Borough officials had asked for assistance from the NJDOT to help address their heavy truck problem. The NJDOT recognizes that re-routing trucks on other roadways is not feasible since it would only move the problem to another roadway. Still, the NJDOT and the local officials continued to have an interest in reducing the impact of truck traffic on the local community.

#### **Proposed Description:**

The project entails milling and resurfacing within the project limits along Route 45 (North Main Street), full depth reconstruction within the project limits along Route 40 (West and East Avenue), the addition of a curb/corner extension at the NW corner of the intersection that is intended to narrow the width of the west leg of the intersection, which then shortens the pedestrian crossing distance. The resulting bump-out at the NW corner would also be used by the Borough as a planting strip or landscaped area. The shared through and right turn lanes, as well as the exclusive left turn lanes on the eastbound and westbound approaches at the US Route 40/45 and Main Street intersection will be aligned with one another. This will provide the improvements to the horizontal curvature of the road and

eliminate the existing raised median island separating eastbound and westbound travel. The existing shared through, right and left turn lane configurations for Route 45 (North Main Street) southbound approach and County Route 672 (South Main Street) northbound approach will remain unchanged. New traffic and pedestrian signal equipment will also be installed.

This project also includes improvements to pedestrian ADA ramps at the Route 45 (North Main Street) and Bowen Avenue intersection as well as the US Route 40 and West Maple Court intersection. The Bowen Avenue intersection is located immediately north of the project intersection, while the West Maple Court intersection is located to the east. Improvements to the Bowen Avenue intersection involve re-designing the crosswalks and associated curb ramps. At the West Maple Court intersection, the pedestrian crosswalk will be relocated from the east side to the west side to improve pedestrian safety and as requested by the community. At its present location, the north end of the crosswalk abuts on-street parking spaces, which when occupied block the view of pedestrians by US Route 40 westbound drivers.

#### **Estimated Project Schedule:**

Construction Start Spring 2019  
Estimated Completion Winter 2019

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