



Public Information Center

Tuesday, March 26th, 2019, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Rt. 206 Bridge Replacement over Dry Brook

Municipalities of Frankford Township and Branchville Borough

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and costs, will hold a **Public Information Center (PIC)** to provide local residents and businesses with information on the **Route 206 Bridge Replacement over Dry Brook**. 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:
Frankford Township Municipal Building
151 Route 206
Augusta, NJ 07822
Tuesday, March 26th, 2019
From 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Please come 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 representatives. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate. If you are unable to attend but are interested in learning about this project, please contact us at the telephone number or email address listed below.

BACKGROUND

The Route 206 Bridge has four spans and is approximately 243 feet long. The bridge spans over the Dry Brook and the adjacent Sussex Branch Trail. The bridge currently carries two lanes of traffic with no shoulders in the northbound direction, one lane with a shoulder in the southbound direction, sidewalks in both directions and a raised concrete median. Built in 1939 and reconstructed in 1947, NJDOT's inspection report identified the bridge substructure to be in poor condition. The bridge deck also is in poor condition with the continuing formation of potholes and the superstructure is in fair condition with heavy rusting and lamination of the concrete encasement. The bridge is scour critical and settlement of a portion of one pier was addressed and is currently stable for scour. NJDOT intends to replace the structure.

PROJECT

This bridge replacement will resolve the structural deficiencies of the Route 206 Bridge, specifically the substructure, superstructure, and deck, address scour, and provide roadway approach slabs. The new bridge will maintain the same stream channel so that the existing upstream and downstream flows during heavy rain events will not change. The existing lanes and sidewalk areas will remain. Left and right shoulders will be added in both directions, and the existing median will not be changed by the project. Additional work will involve utility relocations, guiderail replacement, and landscaping. The project will help maintain the critical highway infrastructure at this location.

Most of the proposed work will be performed within the existing highway right-of-way. Right-of-way will be required in the area of the Sussex Branch Trail, and slope and construction easements will be necessary in embankment areas. Construction operations are anticipated to take place during multiple stages due to the complex nature of the project. Work is expected to be performed during daytime hours with occasional work during nighttime hours.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE AND COST

- Construction is estimated to begin in 2026 and is anticipated to be completed in approximately two years.
- Approximate construction cost is estimated to be \$13 Million.

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