

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Route 295/42/I-76 Direct Connection
Bellmawr and Mount Ephraim Boroughs,
and Gloucester City, Camden County**

**Public Information Center/Public Hearing
Tuesday, October 26, 2010, 3 - 8 pm**

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, improve safety, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a Public Information Center to inform local residents, officials and the business community about the **Route 295/42/I-76 Direct Connection, Bellmawr and Mount Ephraim Boroughs and Gloucester City, Camden County project**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail or e-mail.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center/Public Hearing will be held at the **Bellmawr Ballroom, 29 Lewis Avenue, Bellmawr, New Jersey on Tuesday, October 26, 2010 from 3 to 8 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 issues with representatives of NJDOT and our design consultant. 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.

Public feedback regarding proposed noise walls will be solicited at the meeting as the municipality will need to pass a resolution to approve the construction of noise walls in conjunction with this project.

A Green Acres Scoping Hearing will also be held during the Public Information Center to discuss the taking of land from outside the playing fields of the Bellmawr Baseball fields. A formal presentation and opportunity to provide comment on the proposed Disposal/Diversion will begin at 6 pm.

Project Overview

The purpose of this project is to improve safety and reduce traffic congestion at the interchange of I-295, I-76 and Route 42 while providing a direct connection for I-295 through traffic. The existing interchange requires motorists to reduce speed in both directions of I-295 so that they can safely negotiate ramps with 35 mph speed limits. As a major carrier of Philadelphia commuter traffic via the Walt Whitman Bridge and a connection to the southern New Jersey shore via Route 42 and the Atlantic City Expressway, the interchange is the busiest in the region. High volumes of traffic, low main design speed, the complex configuration of the interchange and the weaving movements combine to cause a high incidence of motor vehicle accidents. Many major milestones in the project have been reached including the recent submission of Right-of-Way and Preliminary Design documents. Visit NJDOT's website for more information:

www.state.nj.us/transportation/works/studies/rt295/

Estimated Schedule

Design	2009 - 2012
Construction	2012 - 2017+/-

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