



Milepost A20 - A30 Total Reconstruction Project

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Bridge-Beam Placement to Close I-476 Early Sunday Sept 19 for Six Hours

An 11-mile stretch of the Northeastern Extension will be closed in both directions between the Mid-County (Exit #20) and Lansdale (Exit #31) Interchanges beginning at midnight on Sunday, Sept. 19 and continuing until 6:00 am.

The closure is needed to place steel girders on the bridge that carries Morris Road (SR 2001) over the Turnpike at Milepost A27.2 in Upper Gwynedd and Worcester Townships, Montgomery County.

At 12:01 am early Sunday morning, Sept. 19, all southbound traffic will be diverted off at the Lansdale Interchange. Motorists wishing to travel northbound will be directed to exit I-276 at the Fort Washington Interchange to return to I-476 at Lansdale.

Preparations for the weekend work will begin Wednesday, Sept. 15 at 7:00 pm when the southbound right lane will be closed. PA State Police will then conduct multiple traffic paces, with possible stoppages of up to 15 minutes until all lanes reopen to traffic at 5 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16. On Saturday night, Sept. 18 at 11:00 pm, the contractor will close the northbound right lane to assemble the crane.

While the last girder sections are being erected, the northbound right lane will be closed Monday night, Sept. 20 with multiple State Police conducted traffic paces, with stoppages, between 10:00 pm and 6:00 am Tuesday morning, Sept. 21.

In the event of inclement weather, the closure will be rescheduled for Sept 25-26 with times and detour information still applicable.

DETOURS

Traveling southbound on I-476 — Exit at Lansdale Interchange (#31). Turn left onto Sumneytown Pike. At the second light, turn left onto Forty Foot Road (SR 63-east). Travel 1.5 miles and turn right onto Welsh Road (SR 63-east) to US Route 309-south to reenter the Turnpike at the Fort Washington Interchange. Travel east on the Pa. Turnpike (I-276) to get to Philadelphia and New Jersey. Travel west on the Pa. Turnpike (I-276) to get to Harrisburg and points west. Motorists bound for I-476 south (Blue Route) to I-76 and I-95 should also follow the Turnpike westbound from Fort Washington, exiting the Turnpike at the Mid-County (Exit #20) Interchange to continue southbound on I-476.

Traveling northbound on I-476 (Blue Route) — From I-76 and I-95. All traffic will enter the Turnpike at the Mid-County Toll Plaza and continue eastbound on I-276 to the Fort Washington Interchange (Exit #339). Exit the Turnpike and travel north on Route 309. Turn left on Welsh Road (Route 63-west) and follow the signs to re-enter I-476 at the Lansdale Interchange.

Traveling east or west on I-276 to travel north on the Northeastern Extension — All traffic will exit the Turnpike at the Fort Washington Interchange (Exit #339) and travel north on Route 309. Turn left on Welsh Road (Route 63-west) and follow the signs to re-enter I-476 at the Lansdale Interchange. The Turnpike urges motorists to stay alert and travel at posted speed limits through work zones. Speed limits will be enforced and fines increased.