NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Route 50 Bridge Replacement Over Cedar Swamp Creek (MP 2.88) Upper Township, Cape May County Public Information Center

Tuesday January 22, 2019 from 4 PM to 7 PM

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is committed to developing transportation improvements that effectively balance transportation needs, environment, community concerns, and costs. NJDOT is holding a Public Information Center to inform local residents, officials, and the business community about the Route 50 Bridge Replacement Over Cedar Swamp Creek (MP 2.88) located in Upper Township, Cape May County. You are encouraged to actively participate by attending the meeting and providing comments at the meeting, via mail, or by e-mail.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held on Tuesday January 22, 2019 on Committee Room/ Court Facility located at Township Hall, 2100 Tuckahoe Rd, Petersburg, NJ 08270 from 4 pm to 7 pm. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the proposed project, ask questions, and discuss any concerns with NJDOT staff members. 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 50 Bridge is 162 feet long and currently carries two lanes with right shoulders, sidewalks, and a safety walk in both directions. Built in 1961, the NJDOT Cycle 19 (March 2017) inspection report identified the overall condition of the structure to be poor due to the condition of the substructure. There is also severe corrosion to the abutment and wing wall sheeting. Therefore, NJDOT recommends the structure be replaced.

The Project

This Bridge Replacement will resolve deficiencies of the Route 50 Bridge specifically the substructure and superstructure, correct extensive map cracking and efflorescence as well as spalling throughout the concrete deck underside, and remediate chloride contamination.

Additional work involves utility relocations, ROW construction easements, guiderail replacement, retaining walls and landscaping. The project will help maintain the critical highway infrastructure at this location.

Most of the proposed work will be accommodated within the existing highway right-of-way with no property acquisitions required. Construction operations are anticipated to take place during multiple stages due to the complex nature of the project. Work is expected to be completed throughout the daytime hours as well as nighttime hours.

Maintenance and Protection of Traffic

To minimize construction impacts to the roadway and motoring public, multiple stages of traffic control will be utilized. During stage 1, a southbound (SB) detour will be placed at Tuckahoe Rd. Temporary signals will be installed at Tuckahoe/Tyler Rd and Rt.50/Tyler Rd to minimize traffic delays.

- During stage 1, northbound (NB) direction will be maintained at the bridge. The southside structure will be constructed to accommodate two lanes of traffic for the next stage
- During stage 2, NB and SB traffic will be maintained on the newly constructed bridge while the north side of the bridge is constructed.
- Variable message signs will be placed in the area to notify motorists of the upcoming roadway lane reductions, detours, and changes in traffic pattern. NJDOT provides construction updates at <u>www.nj511.info</u>.

Estimated Schedule & Cost

- Construction is estimated to begin in 2023 and is anticipated to be completed by 2025.
- Approximate cost is \$12 Million.

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