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## Meeting Summary

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JOB No.: 03346.7000.04.00

PROJECT: Route 295, Contract No. 045083240

DATE: July 13, 2009

TO: File; NJDOT (Steve Manera; Mahesh Patel; Rick Jaffe; Bill Gaus; Dave Bizuga; Tony Marsella)

FROM: Tom Costello

SUBJECT: Summary of 7/13/09 Community Outreach Meeting with Westampton Township  
(NOTE: Prepared for file, not issued as official meeting minutes)

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At 10:00 AM Mahesh Patel & I met with Westampton Township Clerk/Administrator Donna Ryan at the Township's Municipal Complex. The following summarizes our discussions:

1. Mahesh provided a brief introduction to the project, explaining the limits [just north of Int. 45 (Willingboro) to just south of Int. 57 (Bordentown/Route 130); type of construction (rubblization with 8" overlay; full depth reconstruction in vicinity of bridges), staging sequence [preliminary work to reconstruct SB shoulders, two main stages with traffic diverted to one side for 60± days (2-lanes in each directed separated by a barrier); crossovers provided across the median for access to/from interchange ramps when feasible; emergency pull-offs every ±half mile], and schedule (preliminary work starting as early as late fall 2009; reconstruct NB side beginning mid-June 2010; reconstruct SB side beginning mid-June 2011). Reconstruction in Interchange will be sub-staged as follows, to ensure that only one interchange is close at a time: Stages 2A/4A=Int. 52 (Florence/Columbus); Stages 2B/4B=Int. 56 (Rising Sun Rd) Stages 2C/4C=Int. 47 (CR 541).
2. I further explained that the DOT and TWT are in the process of coordinating with Burlington County and all the municipalities along the project to seek their approval of the detour routes, and that to date we've met the County, Mansfield, Florence, Bordentown and Burlington Townships. The following detour routes were presented, which impact upon Westampton Township:

**Stage 2 (A, B & C):**

Ramp Closure at Int. 45: (Both NB Entrance Ramps Closed)

Duration: 60± Days

Detour [From Beverly-Rancocas Rd (CR 626] to I-295 NB): I-295 S to double loop U-turn at Int. 43 (Rancocas Woods/Creek Rd) to I-295 N

**Stage 4C:**

Ramp Closures at Int. 47: All SB Ramps

Duration: 3± Weeks

Detour (From I-295 SB to CR 541): I-295 S to double loop U-turn at Int. 45 (Mt. Holly/Beverly Rancocas Rd) to I-295 N to Int. 47/CR 541

3. Ms Ryan did not object to the detours, supported the accelerated approach to the project, and expects minor impacts to traffic in the vicinity of Interchange 45. Ms. Ryan understands that the locals will seek alternate routes, which most likely will not be the posted detour routes.
4. We informed Ms. Ryan that DOT would hold public information centers in the fall (after bids are received and the project awarded to a Contractor). In addition, the DOT will maintain a project website during construction as a means of educating the public of the construction staging and posted detour routes.



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5. Ms. Ryan noted there are two industrial parks in proximity to Interchange 45, including "Rancocas Park East" (Entrance at intersection of Beverly Rancocas Road and East Park Drive on the east side of I-295), and "Rancocas Park" (Entrance at intersection of Springside Road and Ikea Drive on the west side of I-295) that will be impacted when the NB ramps are closed at Interchange 45 during Stage 2. Ms. Ryan noted these complexes include the likes of New Century Transportation, Inc. (trucking company), Dunkin Donuts distribution center, warehouses for Ikea and Office Depot, etc., which generate a lot of truck traffic. DOT requested that Ms. Ryan forward contact information for each of these businesses, and DOT will ensure that they are notified of the public information center. Ms. Ryan noted the Township would initiate a dialog with the major tenants to inform them of the forthcoming project.
  6. Mahesh noted DOT will forward Municipal Police Agreements to Ms. Ryan's attention for execution.
  7. Ms. Ryan indicated she appreciated the outreach and noted she would relay the information to her peers. For the record Ms. Ryan's e-mail address is [dyran@westamptong.com](mailto:dyran@westamptong.com), and phone number 609.267.1891 (Ext. 6).