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NOTICE

Re: Reconstruction of Route Highway 35 Mile Post 0-12.5, Ocean County, Bay Head Borough, Mantoloking Borough, Brick Township, Lavallette Borough, Toms River Township, Seaside Heights Borough, Seaside Park Borough and Berkeley Township

Dear Property Owner:

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is embarking on reconstruction of State Highway 35 from the entrance to the Island Beach State Park in Berkeley Township to the northern end of the Borough of Bay Head. This is a 12.5 -mile stretch of Route 35 that experienced considerable damage during the recent Super-storm Sandy. Preliminary work for the project is scheduled to start soon and will proceed in an expeditious manner.

This project represents the first major roadway improvement to Route 35 in more than 50 years. The project will include the reconstruction of travel lanes, roadway shoulders, enhanced cross-walks, Americans with Disabilities Act compliant ramps, utility work along the roadside and sidewalks. In some places, sidewalks will be constructed on the State's right-of-way for the first time.

Over time, property owners may have inadvertently encroached on State Right-of-Way abutting their property, contrary to state statute. While it is possible that in some cases the contractor will not need to disturb encroachments such as landscaping, fencing, decorative walls, parked cars, merchandise, etc., the Department cannot make any predictions on a case-by-case basis. Therefore, the safest course of action for property owners is to remove any materials that are encroaching on state property if they wish to protect and reuse them on their property.

The state right-of-way generally extends 10 feet off the edge of the pavement or the face of the curb. You are encouraged to check your property line as shown on your property deed in the county registrar's office or as recorded on the tax maps in your municipality. The contractors will stake out the state right-of-way line but that would mark the beginning of construction activities.

This notice is intended to encourage timely removal of anything of value from the State's right-of-way ahead of the arrival of project contractors. For any questions regarding this please contact our On Site Community Outreach team immediately at 1-732-230-7356 or restore.nj35@dot.state.nj.us.

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