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# Public Information Center Monday, February 10, 2020 Rattlesnake Bridge Road, Bridge over Route 78 Bedminster Township, Somerset County

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is committed to developing transportation improvements that effectively balance transportation needs, environment, community concerns, and cost, will hold a **Public Information**Center to inform local residents, officials, and the business community about the Rattlesnake Bridge Road, Bridge over 78 Deck Replacement in Bedminster Township, Somerset 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 Monday, February 10, 2020 from 4-7 p.m. at the Bedminster Township Municipal Building, Main Meeting Room, 1 Miller Lane, Bedminster, NJ. 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 purpose of the Rattlesnake Bridge Road, Bridge over Route 78 project is to improve the service life of the bridge and to improve the structure condition ratings. The existing bridge was constructed in 1965. The bridge carries two (2) 15 feet lanes, one each direction with striped median, from northbound and southbound approaches. The bridge is structurally deficient and needs deck replacement and substructure repairs.

#### THE PROJECT

The Rattlesnake Bridge Rd - Deck Replacement project will include demolition of the existing bridge deck and replacement utilizing standard Cast-in-place method. the existing sidewalks on the deck are being eliminated and converted to roadway. Existing guide rail and end treatments within the project limits will be replaced to meet the current standards. In addition, traffic signal poles will be moved from the islands to behind the guiderail. All four ramps will also be resurfaced heading to and from Route 78.

The bridge deck replacement work will be completed using stage construction/detour.

The goal is to construct the project with the least inconvenience to the traveling public, local businesses and residents.

#### **CONSTRUCTION AND DETOUR**

In order to minimize construction impacts on the roadway and motoring public, a 4-month full bridge closure traffic control will be utilized.

- Northbound traffic on Rattlesnake Bridge Road can be detoured to Rt. 78 EB to exit 33 – Liberty Corner Road.
   Motorists can then come back to Rt. 78 WB and take the exit 26 ramp to continue going Northbound on Rattlesnake Bridge Rd.
- Southbound traffic on Rattlesnake Bridge Road can be detoured to Rt. 78 WB to exit 24 – Oldwick Road. Motorists can then come back to Rt. 78 EB and take the exit 26 ramp to continue going Southbound on Rattlesnake Bridge Rd.
- Variable message signs and construction detour signs will be placed in the area to notify motorists of the upcoming construction operations, detours, and changes in traffic pattern. NJDOT provides construction updates at www.nj511.info.

#### ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

- Construction Begins late February 2020.
- 4-month full bridge closure will be implemented for majority of the work to be completed.
- Northbound and Southbound of Rattlesnake Bridge Road traffic will be detoured during full bridge closure.
- Project will be completed in November 2020.

## For further information, please contact:

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