SCUDDER FALLS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT NEWSLETTER



Scudder Falls Bridge Replacement Project Now Underway

The Scudder Falls Bridge Replacement Project will replace the existing bridge with a modern structure and correct deficiencies at its flanking interchanges and approach roadways. The project is being staged in a manner that will minimize travel impacts to motorists who use the bridge and I-95 for their daily commutes. The following information highlights work completed and project plans for the coming months.

Advance Preparations Completed

- Tree cutting in preparation for construction of the new bridge and interchanges in PA & NJ
- Additional tree cutting and vegetation removal on river island
- Installation of noise-abatement walls along the Pennsylvania I-95 approach. Additional noise walls to be constructed in NJ and at bridge in PA
- Relocation of utility lines on PA side of bridge

Land-based Construction Activities Underway

- Setting up construction zones in PA & NJ
- Installing roadway warning signs throughout 4.4-mile project area
- Prepare temporary interchange ramps, strengthen shoulders

Near-term Look Ahead

- Land-based project preparations slowly accelerate through the month of June
- In-water construction for first span of new bridge to begin early July

Major Project Elements - Stage 1 (2017-2019)

- Construction of the upstream span of new bridge
- Construction of a completely redesigned I-95/Route 29 interchange (Exit 1) in NJ
- Realignment of the I-95/Taylorsville Road interchange (Exit 51) in PA
- Widening (to the inside) of the PA I-95 approach from Exit 49 to the bridge

Travel Outlook - Stage 1 (2017-2019)

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Current Scudder Falls Bridge remains in service until the new bridge's upstream span is completed and opened to traffic in 2019

- Traffic shifts and off-peak single-lane patterns, but no bridge detours or closures
- Two travel lanes available (maintaining preconstruction conditions) during respective peak travel direction periods. Peak travel periods include weekdays northbound 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and weekdays southbound 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

I-95 approaches to remain in service for duration of project – No detours

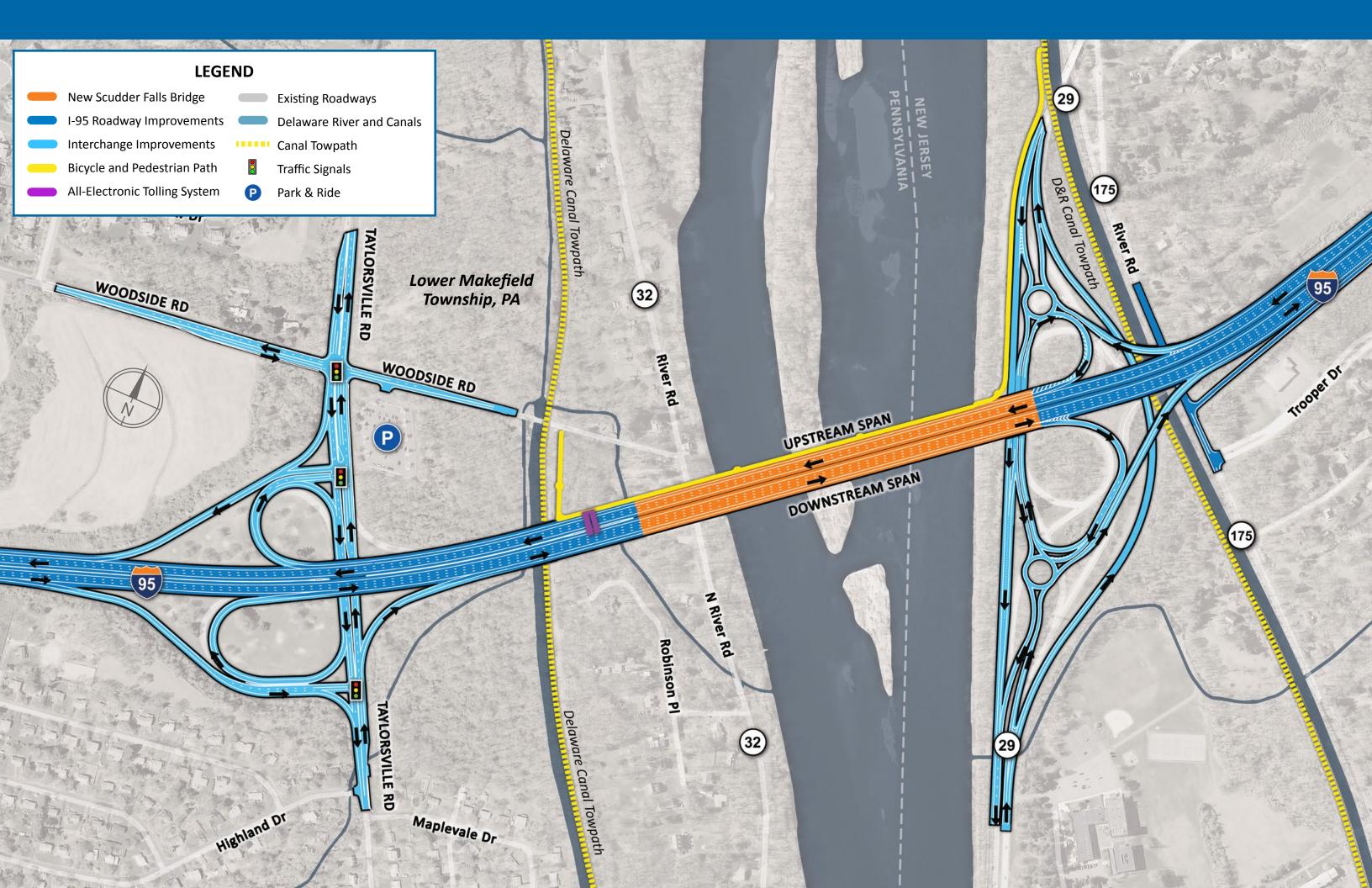
 Various traffic shifts, travel restrictions, and off-peak lane closures. Peak two-lane travel periods generally same as above

Interchanges remain in service, but there will be lane closures, traffic shifts, temporary ramps, and some detours

 Overall goal is to keep traffic moving through construction zone during all project stages

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Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission





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PROJECT ELEMENTS



New Scudder Falls Bridge

Replace the current congestion-prone, functionally obsolete Scudder Falls Bridge with a dual-span structure carrying six thrutraffic lanes (three in each direction) and three auxiliary lanes (two northbound, one southbound). Upstream span to go online carrying traffic in both directions in 2019; downstream span to be completed and opened to traffic in 2021.

I-95 Roadway Improvements Widen the bridge's PA I-95 approach, increasing the roadway to three lanes in each direction. Improve drainage and approachroadway exit/entry transitions in NJ; both project components to be completed in 2021.

Interchange Improvements

Reconstruct the entire I-95/Route 29 Interchange (Exit 1) and its associated ramps and structures in Ewing, NJ; to be completed late 2020 or early 2021. Reconfigure the I-95/ Taylorvilles Road Interchange (Exit 51) in Lower Makefield, PA; to be completed in 2021.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Path

Construct a pedestrian/bicycle walkway on the new bridge's upstream side with ramps and pathways to recreational canal towpaths in PA & NJ; open for public use in 2021.

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All-Electronic Tolling System

Install an all-electronic tolling (AET) gantry and related infrastructure for highway-speed toll collection using E-ZPass tag readers and high-speed cameras for license-plate billing in 2019; tolls collected in PA direction only.

Noise-Abatement Walls



Erect noise-abatement walls where warranted in PA and NJ. Advance noise wall construction in PA was completed in June 2017. Additional noise abatement near the bridge and interchanges will be constructed as part of the main construction contract beginning in 2017 until project completion in 2021.

Mitigation for Environmental Impacts

Mitigate environmental impacts from construction to protect shortnose sturgeon, red-bellied turtles, Indiana bats, yellow lampmussels, wetlands, and other natural and cultural resources. These efforts shall continue through project completion in 2021.

(Note: Estimated completion dates subject to change based on construction schedule.)

Contact the Public Involvement Team

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For More Information

Visit the project website at scudderfallsbridge.com.

- Travel advisories are updated weekly on the home page
- Links to prior project outreach materials, press releases
- Links to project documents concerning tolling, noise, traffic, and environment

See the Videos



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