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Communication with the Engineer-in-Charge

Every NYSDOT construction contract has an engineer assigned as a project's managing engineer and the State's representative. This person is referred to as the Engineer-in-Charge (EIC). The EIC is the central point of contact for all issues on a project and is the primary person who communicates to the contractor as well as the public. Contractors decide the various means of accomplishing the actual construction work on a project while the EIC and their technical staff of inspectors assure that proper quality is obtained and other requirements (permit compliance, coordination of work with other entities, safe operations, etc) are achieved.

Most NYSDOT construction contracts have field offices established nearby, or on the project, where the EIC and their staff will work from during the project. These offices are open during working hours of the construction contract. Contact can be made either in person, by phone or email. The NYSDOT makes every effort at the onset of construction to distribute field office information to local officials and emergency service providers, local business groups, etc. If the project is of considerable size, there may be a kick-off meeting with local interested parties to review what can be expected and the anticipated construction schedule. Affected individuals along a project are always encouraged to contact the EIC with questions and concerns.

When contacting the project EIC or field office with concerns about the project or possibly a hazard that exists, it is most helpful if some identifying information can be provided so that the situation can be addressed promptly. As many of our projects can cover significant area, some features such as the highway name and nearest cross street, a house/building number, or if it is on a long rural highway the numbers on the nearest small green sign markers, known as reference markers, which exist along the road approximately every 500 feet, will allow for your concerns to be more efficiently investigated. Please provide as much clear information as possible.



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BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON NY ROUTE 400 EXPRESSWAY OVER NY ROUTE 240 (HARLEM ROAD) IN THE TOWN OF WEST SENECA, ERIE COUNTY

Contract Number: D262806
DOT Project Number: 5392.37

Project Description: This project will replace the NY Route 400 Expressway Bridge over Harlem Road in the town of West Seneca, to provide new bridge abutments, bridge decks, signage, guiderail, fencing and new approach pavement. The project will also rehabilitate a portion of Harlem Road in the vicinity of the bridge to provide new pavement, new curbs, sidewalks and the installation of new wheelchair ramps along portions of Harlem Road.

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Work Details: The bridge is located on NY Route 400 over Harlem Road. There are two bridge decks, one for each direction of traffic, that rest on the same abutments.

Project Schedule: Construction began in 2015. The rehabilitation roadwork on Harlem Road is now completed. During the summer of 2016, the construction of the new Route 400 bridges will be completed.

Traffic Impact: Beginning July 2016, weekend shutdowns of a portion of NY Route 400 and Harlem Road will be necessary to complete construction. During each shutdown, either NY Route 400 northbound or southbound will be closed to all traffic. Harlem Road will also be closed to traffic intermittently. Due to the vicinity of the NY Route 400 interchange with Interstate 90, the detour routes around these closures will originate from I-90 Exit 55 (Ridge Road) & Exit 52A (William Street), and from the NY Route 400 Union Road (NY Route 277) Exit. Please see the additional details inside for the list of scheduled closures and the specific detour routes that will be provided.



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Detailed Schedule of Road Closures: (Dates are approximate; schedule subject to change)

- 1. Thursday July 7, 9:00 a.m. through Monday July 11, 6:00 a.m.**
NY Route 400 northbound will be closed to traffic between Seneca Street and Interstate 90. Traffic to Interstate 90 should exit at Union Road and follow the posted detours. In addition, **Harlem Road**, between Seneca Street and Indian Church Road will also be closed to traffic in both directions. A posted detour will direct traffic.
- 2. Thursday July 14, 6:00 p.m. through Monday July 18, 3:00 p.m.**
NY Route 400 southbound will be closed to traffic between Interstate 90 and Seneca Street. Traffic from Interstate 90 eastbound to NY Route 400 southbound will need to exit at EXIT 55 (Ridge Road) and follow the posted detour. Traffic from Interstate 90 westbound to NY Route 400 southbound will need to exit at EXIT 52A (William Street) and follow the posted detour. In addition, **Harlem Road**, between Seneca Street and Indian Church Road will also be closed to traffic in both directions. A posted detour will direct traffic.
- 3. Friday July 22, 6:00 p.m. through Monday, July 25, 3:00 p.m.**
NY Route 400 southbound will be closed to traffic between Interstate 90 and Seneca Street. Traffic from Interstate 90 eastbound to NY Route 400 southbound will need to exit at EXIT 55 (Ridge Road) and follow the posted detour. Traffic from Interstate 90 westbound to NY Route 400 southbound will need to exit at EXIT 52A (William Street) and follow the posted detour. I.
- 4. Friday July 29, 9:00 a.m. through Monday, August 1, 6:00 a.m.**
NY Route 400 northbound will be closed to traffic between Seneca Street and Interstate 90. Traffic to Interstate 90 should exit at Union Road and follow the posted detours.
- 5. Saturday August 27, 6:00 a.m. until 4:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 28**
NY Route 400 northbound will be closed to traffic between Seneca Street and Interstate 90. Traffic to Interstate 90 should exit at Union Road and follow the posted detours.
- 6. Sunday August 28, 6:00 a.m. until 4:00 a.m. on Monday, August 29**
NY Route 400 southbound will be closed to traffic between Interstate 90 and Union Road. Traffic from Interstate 90 eastbound to NY Route 400 southbound will need to exit at EXIT 55 (Ridge Road) and follow the posted detour. Traffic from Interstate 90 westbound to NY Route 400 southbound will need to exit at EXIT 52A (William Street) and follow the posted detour.

For regularly updated traffic information visit NITTEC at <http://maps.nittec.org>



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NY Route 400 Expressway and Harlem Road Detour Map

