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PORTION OF KENNEDY WAY IN WILLINGBORO TO CLOSE FOR SIX MONTHS

Bridge Replacement Between Levitt Parkway and Charleston Road Planned

The Freeholders today authorized advertising for bids after approving plans and specifications to replace the bridge on Kennedy Way (County Route 633) in Willingboro between Levitt Parkway (CR630) and Charleston Road.

Construction is expected to begin in November and take approximately six months to complete. Kennedy Way will be closed at Bridge C3.64 and open to local traffic only on each side of the bridge. A detour route will be posted.

The estimated cost of construction is \$1.85M. NJ Department of Transportation, through its 2010 Local Bridge Future Needs Program, is providing \$1M toward construction costs. The remainder will be funded by the County.

The 35-foot long bridge over Mill Creek was constructed in 1918, widened to 51 feet in 1960 and has been determined structurally deficient and scour critical by Federal Highway Administration standards. Structurally deficient simply means the bridge decking or substructure is in poor condition and in need of repair or replacement. It does not mean it is unsafe.

Scour critical indicates the bridge foundation is subject to erosion which could compromise the integrity of the bridge substructure during a storm event.

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Bridge C3.64 will be replaced with a single span, precast concrete rigid frame supported on concrete footings and timber piles. In addition, steel sheet pile cutoff walls will be installed around each footing and extend beyond the stream bed to protect against future erosion and scour of the streambed.

The existing roadway width (36 feet) and alignment over the bridge as well as sidewalks on both sides of the bridge will be maintained. The roadway surface will be raised approximately 14 inches by reconstructing 600 linear feet of bridge approaches to address possible flooding during significant storm events.

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