



Department of Transportation

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January 24, 2022

Dear Local Official:

RE: CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION - PIN 921330 / D264573
NY ROUTE 79 OVER CHENANGO RIVER BRIDGE PROJECT
BRIDGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 1030480
TOWNS OF BARKER AND FENTON, BROOME COUNTY
TOWN OF GREENE, CHENANGO COUNTY

The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) would like to notify you that construction is underway to replace the existing bridge carrying NY Route 79 over the Chenango River in the Towns of Fenton and Barker in Broome County. The project, initiated under Project Identification Number (PIN) 921330, will construct a new bridge and realign NY Route 79 approximately 0.6 miles upstream in the Towns of Greene and Fenton, respectively located in the counties of Chenango and Broome. A project location map is enclosed for your use.

The new structure will be a two-lane multi-girder bridge approximately 470 feet in length with 11-foot travel lanes and 5-foot shoulders on both sides of the bridge. A new signalized intersection with turning lanes, bike lanes and crosswalks will be constructed at the intersection of NY Route 12 and new alignment of NY Route 79 in the Town of Greene. The section of the railroad crossing at the bridge's western approach will be improved and upgraded to a public crossing. A new one-way stop intersection will be constructed at the bridge's eastern approach in the Town of Fenton. Private driveways will be modified to provide access to the new highway alignments. Landscaping activities will be conducted to preserve the environmental and visual character of the project area.

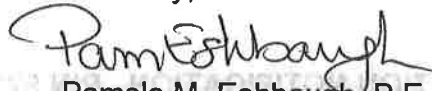
Traffic is planned to be maintained on the existing bridge during construction. Flagger personnel or temporary traffic signals will be used to manage alternating one-way traffic for construction operations on NY Routes 12 and 79. Residents on Oak Grove Drive will be provided access at the northern project limit while roadway improvements are completed on NY Route 12. Access at the middle and southern intersections of Oak Grove Drive and NY Route 12 will be closed. Upon completion, the middle intersection access point will be permanently closed; access will be provided at the two current northern and southern intersections of Oak Grove Drive and NY Route 12.

Once the new bridge and intersections are open to traffic, the existing bridge will be demolished. New signage will be installed to alert motorists of changes in travel patterns and road names. The public railroad crossing and traffic light that currently provides access to River Road and River Lane will remain. NYSDOT will re-pave the old alignment of NY Route 79 between the existing and new bridges, and then transfer ownership and future maintenance responsibilities to the Towns of Barker and Fenton in their respective jurisdictions.

Active construction is anticipated to start in March/April 2022 and last two construction seasons. The project schedule is subject to change depending on project details and as overall capital program resources dictate. Should you have any questions regarding construction activities, please contact Andy Martin, NYSDOT Engineer-in-Charge by phone at 607-721-8100; by email at Andy.Martin@dot.ny.gov; or by mail at NYSDOT Region 9, 44 Hawley Street, 11th Floor, Binghamton, NY 13901.

Thank you for your interest in this transportation project. Please share this letter with your constituents, neighbors, or anyone else that may have an interest in this information.

Sincerely,



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Project Location Map
Project Identification Number 921330
NY Route 79 over Chenango River Bridge Project
Towns of Baker and Fenton, Broome County
Town of Greene, Chenango County

