



VIRTUAL
Public Information Center
Monday, July 29, 2020
Route 322, Route 50 to Leipzig Avenue,
MP 45.86 – MP 49.98
Grading, Paving and Traffic Signals
Hamilton Township, Atlantic County

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance the transportation needs, the environment, community concerns, and cost. NJDOT will hold a **Virtual Public Information Center (PIC)** to inform local residents, officials, and the community about the proposed Construction for the **Route 322, Route 50 to Leipzig Avenue Project**. You are encouraged to participate by providing comments at the virtual meeting or by mail.

THE MEETING

The PIC meeting will be held virtually by visiting the following website, <https://www.state.nj.us/transportation/> starting on July 29, 2020. It will be available until August 5, 2020. Visit the Public Meetings section and you can enter the Public Information Center Portal, in **yellow** with the NJDOT logo, on the homepage. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the proposed plan, leave comments and share information with NJDOT staff members via the website or by mail. Property owners of rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate.

BACKGROUND

This project involves a 4.12-mile segment of Route 322 from just west of the Route 50 interchange (MP 45.86) to just east of the signalized intersection at the Hamilton Mall entrance (MP49.98). The project will address several known deficiencies including:

- Pavement in Poor Condition with Failing Concrete Joints
- Substandard height (13-inch) Median Barrier Curb
- Periodic Flooding at the Route 322 and Cologne Avenue (CR 614) Intersection
- Substandard Traffic Signals, intersection lighting and ADA Curb Ramps

THE PROJECT

This project proposed to address the noted deficiencies as follows:

Pavement

The existing roadway consists of asphalt over concrete in the travel lanes and asphalt shoulders. There are locations where the underlying concrete joints are failing and have caused the pavement to heave. These joints will be removed and replaced. All lanes and left shoulders within the project limits will be milled 3 inches and paved 3 inches; all ramps and shoulders 6 feet or wider will be milled 2 inches and paved 2 inches to improve ride quality and provide a minimum 10-year service life.

Median Barrier Curb

Most of this segment of Route 322 has a concrete median barrier curb approximately 2.4-miles of which is substandard, measuring 13-inches in height. This barrier will be demolished and replaced with 32-inch high barrier to meet current NJDOT standards.

Drainage Improvements

To address periodic flooding at the Route 322 and Cologne Avenue intersection, the project will construct a stormwater management basin in the infield area formed by Route 322 westbound and the ramp to Cologne Ave. Additional inlets and pipes will be installed and connected to an existing culvert on Cologne Avenue north of Route 322, resulting in fewer flood events of less severity.

Traffic Signals/ITS, ADA Ramps

There are four signalized intersections within the project limits where the existing signal and lighting equipment do not meet current standards; (Unadachtigo Road, Cologne Avenue, Leipzig Avenue and Hamilton Mall Driveway C). In addition, the intersection quadrants are missing curb ramps or the existing ramps are not compliant with current ADA standards. The signal equipment will be replaced, new lighting provided, and curb ramps will be added or replaced bringing the intersection into compliance with applicable standards.

As part of a larger effort to improve traffic operations on the Route 40/322 corridor through Hamilton, Egg Harbor and Pleasantville, NJDOT is undertaking a separate project to install adaptive signal technology which will improve travel time by automatically adapting signals to changing traffic conditions. Fiber optic conduit/cable and upgraded traffic signal components will be installed as part of this project to accelerate the overall deployment of the adaptive system.

ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

- Start Construction: August 2020
- Completion: Fall 2021

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