

# Project History



## 2003

- **Final Environmental Impact Statement Issued**

- **Environmental Clearance (Record of Decision) by FHWA**

The selected alternative was a newly constructed parallel bridge to the south of the existing bridge and rehabilitation of the existing bridge to provide three lanes in each direction

## 2017

- **Bridge Fracture and Associated Closure**

Due to the passage of time, regulatory changes, and potential changes to the selected alternative after the 2017 bridge fracture, the original selected alternative is being reconsidered along with the full range of alternatives

## 2018

- **I-95 Interchange Stage 1 Complete**

I-95 designated along Pennsylvania and New Jersey Turnpikes

## 2022

- **Reactivation of Environmental and Design Studies**

## 2023

- **FHWA Confirms Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) Required**

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# Project Purpose and Need



**The Delaware River Bridge (DRB) project is part of the larger PA Turnpike/I-95 Interchange Project. The purpose and need includes the following:**

## Purpose:

- ① Improved I-276 and I-95 linkage for system continuity
- ② Improved I-95 continuity through the Mid-Atlantic Region\*
- ③ Additional capacity for the current I-276 and I-95 connections
- ④ Additional I-276 and I-95 capacity
- ⑤ Improved study area travel times and delay reduction
- ⑥ To secure a vital link in the regional and national interstate transportation network across the Delaware River\*\*

## Needs:

- ① Inadequate I-276 and I-95 linkage for system continuity
- ② Lack of I-95 continuity through the Mid-Atlantic Region\*
- ③ Inadequate capacity for the current I-276 and I-95 connections
- ④ Inadequate capacity on I-276 and I-95
- ⑤ Prolonged study area travel times and delays
- ⑥ Lack of service reliability/redundancy of the existing Delaware River Bridge\*\*

\* Project purpose 2 and need 2 were satisfied with the completion of the flyovers that re-routed I-95 east along the PA Turnpike, across the Delaware River Bridge of the NJ Turnpike Connector to New Jersey, east along the connector to NJ Turnpike Exit 6 and then north along the NJ Turnpike.

\*\* New Project Purpose and Need given the fracture that occurred to the DRB in 2017.

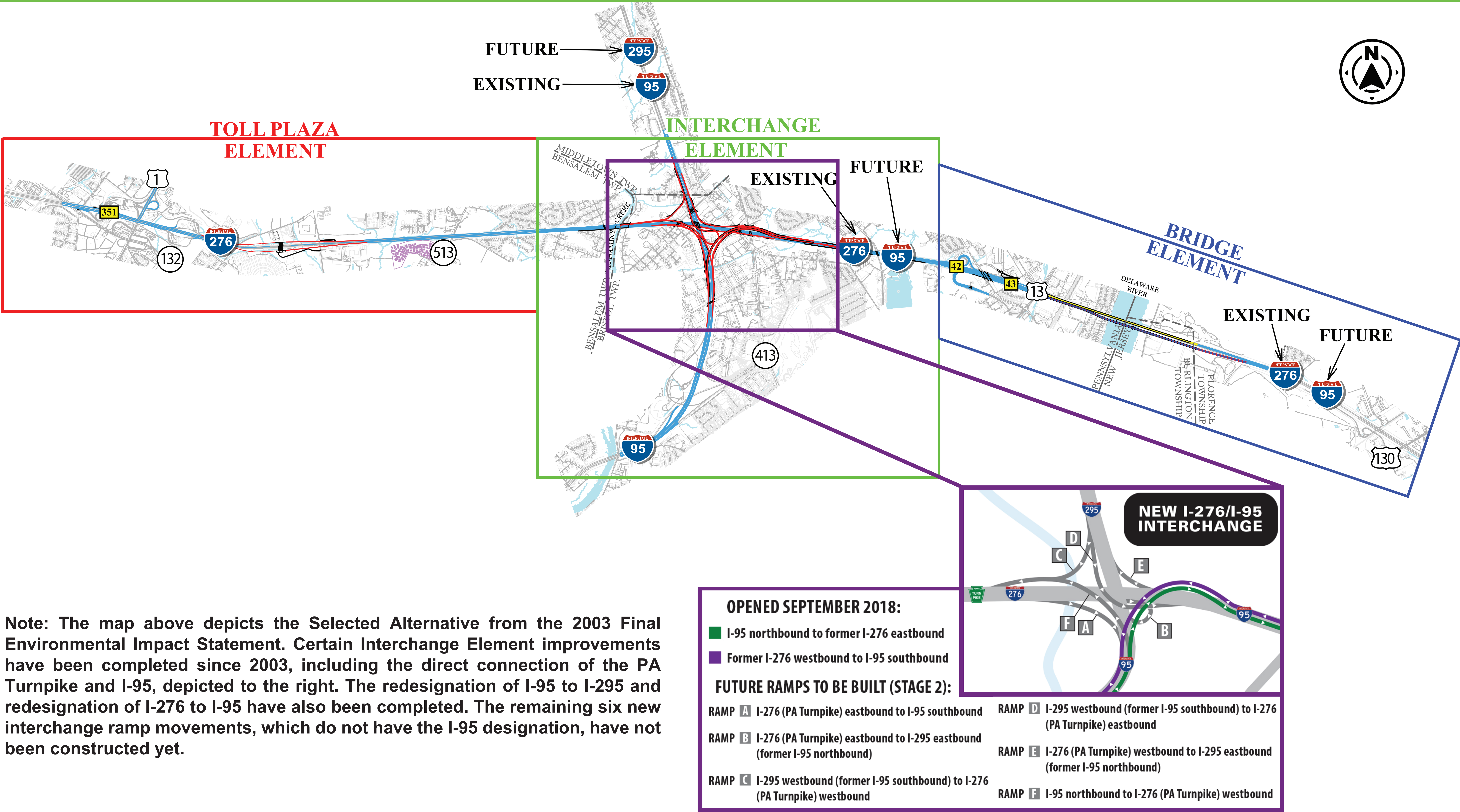
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# 2003 Project Elements



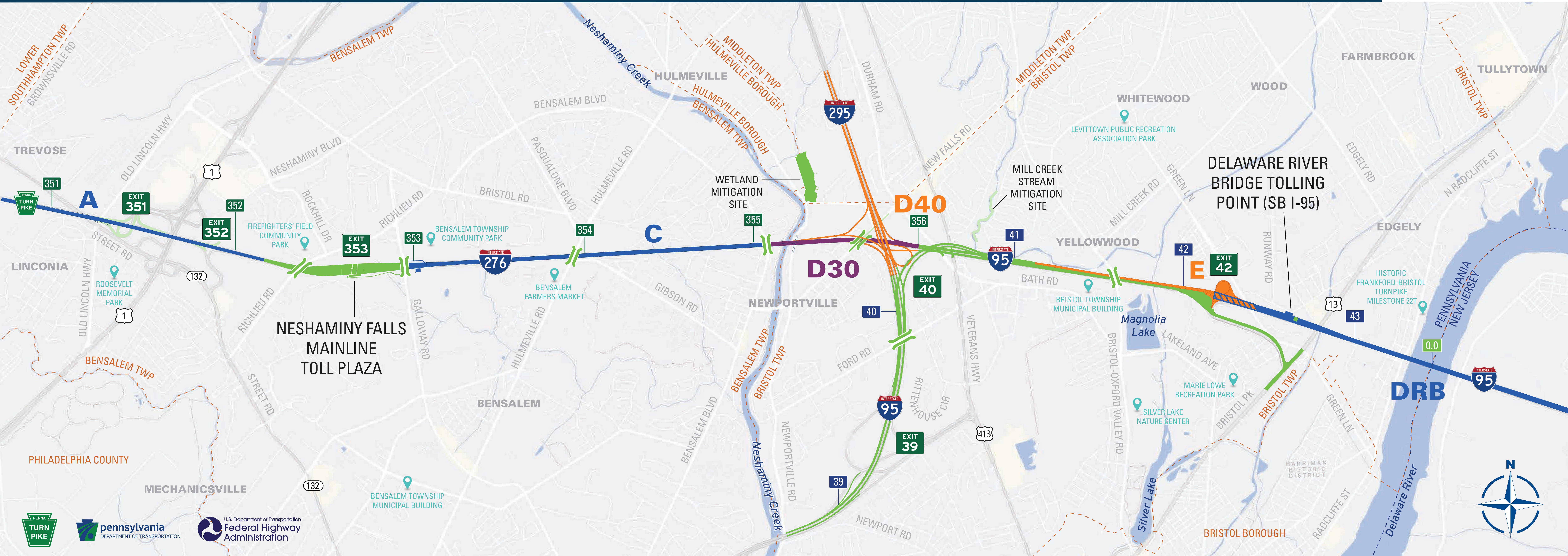
## 2003 Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) Selected Alternative & Subsequent Interchange Improvements





# PA Turnpike / I-95 Interchange Project

## Current Design and Construction Status



### CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE

STAGE 1 COMPLETED DECEMBER 2020

### CURRENT CONSTRUCTION

**D30** Turnpike Mainline Widening from Bensalem Boulevard to I-95 flyover connection.  
**355 → 356**

### CURRENT DESIGN

**A** Turnpike Widening through Interchange 351.  
**350.5 → 352.3**

**C** Turnpike Mainline Widening from Galloway Road to Bensalem Boulevard.  
**352.7 → 355.2**

CONSTRUCTION START ANTICIPATED 2026

**DRB** Stage 3, Delaware River Bridge.  
CURRENTLY IN THE ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS/  
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING PHASE

### FUTURE DESIGN

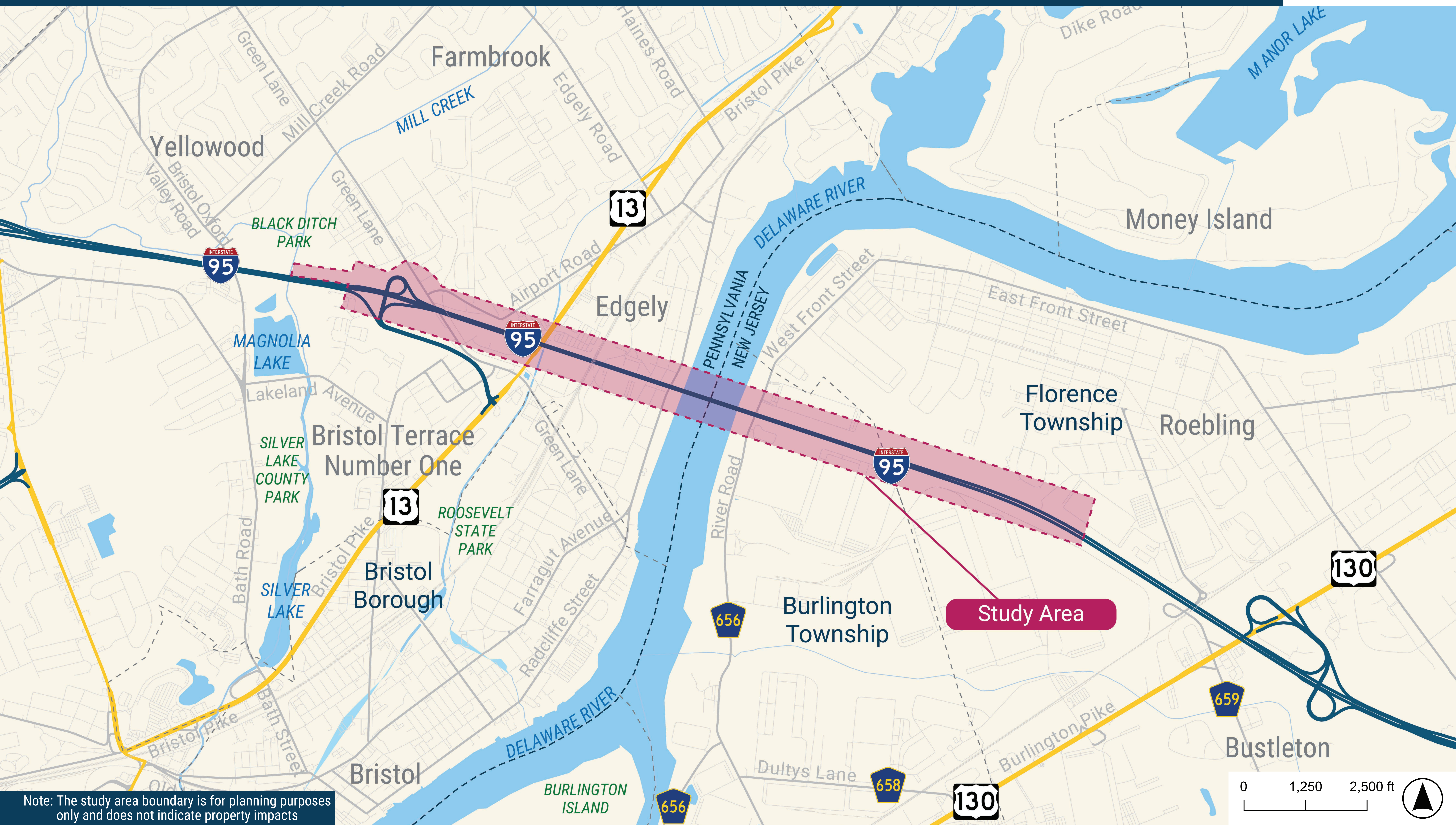
**D40** Remaining six (6) interchange ramps including the I-295 bridges over I-276.

**E** I-95 South Widening from Delaware River to I-95 flyover connection.  
**41.2 → 43.4 (SB I-95/WB I-276)**

- SECTION E/DRB OVERLAP
- PTC MILEPOST
- I-95 MILEPOST
- NJTA MILEPOST



# Delaware River Bridge Project Study Area



Note: The study area boundary is for planning purposes only and does not indicate property impacts

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# Project Description



- **This is Stage 3 of the PA Turnpike/I-95 Interchange Project and the final section to advance to preliminary design**
- **The DRB connects Bucks County, PA and Burlington County, NJ**
- **This includes a rehabilitation or replacement of the structure and mainline improvements on the bridge approaches in PA and NJ**
- **The project corridor is generally the same corridor evaluated during the 2003 environmental clearance process**
- **A Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement is being prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act**
- **The project will achieve design year capacity requirements on the bridge and address project needs**

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