

What We've Heard



The first round of public meetings was held in March 2025.

Feedback:	How It's Being Addressed:
Bike and pedestrian access improvements and shared use across the river on the structure	The 2003 Record of Decision (ROD) identified the following issues that limited or restricted the incorporation of a multi-modal component on the bridge: existing state regulations, operational safety, fare collection, maintenance, environmental clearance, planning, funding and programming. These issues are currently being reviewed and evaluated.
Which alternative will be selected and how will it proceed	View Alternatives Boards for detailed information - A selected alternative will be identified as part of the Record of Decision which concludes the environmental review process. The decision will be based on potential resources impacts, resource agency coordination, and public feedback. - The target date for that decision is Winter 2027/2028.
Potential Property Impacts	Property impacts will be identified during the Final Design phase of the project after Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Clearance are complete. Final Design is currently targeted to begin in 2028.
Noise concerns	A Preliminary Noise analysis will be finalized as part of the environmental review process once a preferred alternative is identified.
Increased traffic and truck traffic due to construction and warehousing	While there may be increased traffic throughout the area during construction, the PA Turnpike and NJTA will seek opportunities to minimize the effects through traffic management and construction staging. Increased traffic resulting from warehouse development in the project area is occurring independent of the project. The enhanced bridge capacity will accommodate future projected traffic volumes.
Wildlife concerns and threatened and endangered species	An assessment of potential effects to wildlife and threatened and endangered species will be conducted during the environmental review process. The results of this assessment will be coordinated with resource agencies and any mitigation measures will be incorporated into the project, as appropriate.
Air quality	Environmental approval will be contingent on the project conforming with the requirements of the Clean Air Act. Temporary air quality effects during construction will be mitigated to the greatest extent practicable.
Potential for toll increases to fund projects	The PA Turnpike and NJTA do not raise tolls to fund individual projects.
Federal funding with this administration	The PA Turnpike and NJTA are exploring federal funding opportunities to assist with the cost of the DRB project. The environmental review process is following the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) so that the project remains eligible for federal funding.
Construction timeline	Construction is currently anticipated to begin around 2031. The actual timeframe for construction will be determined during the Final Design Phase.
2017 fracture questions	The bridge is safe for the traveling public. The bridge undergoes a comprehensive bridge inspection every two years in conformance with National Bridge Inspection requirements.

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Note: These displays are intended for the October 2025 Public Meeting Open House Series and are subject to change as the project progresses.

Project Schedule



1

Initiate Alternatives Analysis

2024

2

Public Survey

December 2024

3

Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare a SEIS

Winter 2025/2026

4

Publish Draft SEIS

August 2026

5

Publish Final SEIS/ Record of Decision

Winter 2027/2028

Public Meeting #1

March 2025

Public Scoping Meeting #2

October 2025

Public Meeting #3

Spring 2026

Public Hearing

Fall 2026

Public Meetings	Open House Content
Public Meeting #1 March 2025	Overview of the project and study area, public survey results and public involvement opportunities
Public Scoping Meeting #2 October 2025	Define Purpose and Need, describe alternatives, identify potential environmental impacts and necessary permits
Public Meeting #3 Spring 2026	Overview of detailed evaluation of alternatives, potential resource impacts, and timeline
Public Hearing Late Summer 2026	Overview of the Recommended Preferred Alternative and opportunity for public testimony

