



PA Turnpike Commission

TRAVEL ALERT

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Planned Closures Scheduled Between Quakertown and Lehigh Valley Interchanges

Early morning work planned to minimize traffic impacts

MIDDLETOWN, Pa. — The Pennsylvania Turnpike (PA Turnpike) advises motorists traveling on the Northeast Extension (Interstate 476) in Lehigh and Bucks County of planned detours between the Quakertown (Exit 44) and Lehigh Valley (Exit 56) Interchanges.

The closures are necessary for beam erection for Lower Macungie Road Bridge Replacement, which will support the total reconstruction project from [Milepost A53 to A57](#). The PA Turnpike's [Total Reconstruction](#) initiative transforms America's first superhighway to provide a safer and more efficient travel experience for PA Turnpike customers. This system-wide initiative expands the PA Turnpike, improves capacity and major corridor access.

The Northeast Extension is scheduled to close in both directions between Lehigh Valley (Exit 56) and Quakertown (Exit 44) from 12 a.m. until 4 a.m. on Saturday, June 21. Southbound lanes only between these interchanges will be closed again on Monday, June 23 from 12 a.m. to 4 a.m.

The following suggested detour will be in place during the closures:

Northbound detour

- PA 663 North 3.3 miles
- PA 309 North 9.3 miles
- I-78 West 6.3 miles
- PA 309 North 1.0 miles
- US 22 West or Tilghman Street west 1.1 miles
- Re-enter at the Lehigh Valley Interchange #56

Southbound Detour

- US 22 East 0.5 miles
- PA 309 South 2.0 miles
- I-78 East 6.2 miles
- PA 309 South 9.2 miles
- PA 663 South 3.2 miles
- Re-enter at the Quakertown Interchange #44

Pennsylvania State Police and PA Turnpike personnel will be positioned at the impacted areas to assist drivers. Changeable message signs will also provide information on this closure. Motorists are encouraged to plan travel accordingly. Work schedules are subject to change based on weather conditions.

To report an incident or other emergency on the PA Turnpike, dial *11 via mobile phone. To learn more about PA Turnpike conditions, use one of these resources:

ON THE TURNPIKE

[511PA Smartphone App](#): real-time, hands-free PA traffic advisories

Changeable Message Signs: more than 200 boards along the PA Turnpike

ON THE WEB

511/[511pa.com](#): live, interactive map

X/Twitter: [@PATurnpikeAlert](#)

BY PHONE

511: dial from any PA roadway for local travel information

Pennsylvania Turnpike Customer Assistance Center: 877-736-6727, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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