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Sunday Morning Road Closure Scheduled as Part of Bridge Replacement Project on Northeast Extension

Southbound closure scheduled to minimize impacts for travelers

LEHIGH COUNTY, Pa. — The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission advises motorists traveling southbound on the Northeast Extension (I-476) in Lehigh and Bucks County that there will be an early morning road closure this weekend due to a bridge replacement project

To allow for beams to be safely erected as part of the replacement of bridge NB-349 (Tilghman Street), the Northeast Extension is scheduled to be closed to southbound traffic on Sunday, Sep. 22 from 12 a.m. to 6 a.m. between the Lehigh Valley (Exit 56) and Quakertown (Exit 44) interchanges.

The following suggested detour will be in place:

- U.S. Route 22 East, 0.5 miles
- PA Route 309 South, 2.0 miles
- Interstate 78 East, 6.2 miles
- PA Route 309 South, 9.2 miles
- PA Route 663 South, 3.2 miles
- Re-enter at Quakertown Interchange #44

Northbound traffic will not be impacted. Pennsylvania State Police and PA Turnpike personnel will be positioned at the impacted areas to assist drivers. Digital 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

<u>511PA Smartphone App</u>: real-time, hands-free PA traffic advisories Digital Message Signs: more than 200 boards along the Turnpike

ON THE WEB

511/511pa.com: live, interactive map

X/Twitter: openTurnpikeAlert

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.

This roadwork is part of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission (PTC)'s mission to operate a safe, reliable, customer-valued toll road system that supports national mobility and commerce. In 2023, the PTC supported more than \$690 million in construction bids for roadway maintenance and improvements to modernize the Turnpike and improve customer experience, including resurfacing more than 46 miles of roadway, undertaking total reconstruction of 27 miles of roadway, an all-time high, and replacing two major bridges at Beaver River and Hawk Falls. Find resources and planned construction projects at <u>Traveling on the PA Turnpike | PA Turnpike</u>.

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