

Travel Advisory

December 8, 2023

**PA Turnpike to Close Overnight Dec. 10
Between Quakertown and Lehigh Valley Interchanges**
Six-hour, I-476 closure is needed for overhead bridge beam removal

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission advises motorists that the Northeast Extension (I-476) will be closed in both directions on Sunday, Dec. 10 from 12:01 a.m. to 6 a.m. between the Quakertown Interchange, Exit 44, Bucks County, and the Lehigh Valley Interchange, Exit 56, Lehigh County.

The closure is necessary for the protection of motorists and workers so crews can safely remove overhead bridge beams. The bridge, which carries Tilghman Street Bridge over the Turnpike, crosses I-476 at milepost A57.06 in Lehigh County.

During the road closure, the northbound and southbound entry and exit ramps will be closed to all traffic at the Allentown Service Plaza. Visitors that do not exit the service plaza prior to 11:45 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9 will have to remain in the service plaza until the work is completed and the ramps are reopened to traffic. The Allentown Service Plaza is located on I-476 northbound and southbound at milepost 55.9 in Lehigh County.

Motorists should seek alternate options for fuel, food, and restrooms by using the nearest available interchange on I-476, depending on your travel destination.

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

Northbound Detour

Exit at the Quakertown Interchange, Exit 44. Take State Route 663 north to State Route 309 north to Interstate 78 west, then to State Route 309 north. Follow to U.S. Route 22 west or Tilghman Street west. Re-enter the PA Turnpike at the Lehigh Valley Interchange, Exit 56.

Southbound Detour

Exit at the Lehigh Valley Interchange, Exit 56. Take U.S. Route 22 east to State Route 309 south to Interstate 78 east. Then follow to State Route 309 south to State Route 663 south. Re-enter the PA Turnpike at the Quakertown Interchange, Exit 44.

NORTHEAST EXTENSION TOTAL RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Milepost A53-A57 | South of Lower Macungie Road to Route 22



To report an accident 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
- Digital Message Signs: more than 200 boards along the Turnpike

ON THE WEB

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

For more information regarding the overall project, please visit the website at

[Milepost A53-A57 Northeast Extension \(paturnpike.com\)](http://paturnpike.com)