

MON/FAYETTE EXPRESSWAY

Construction Activity Weekly Updates



Planned Construction Activities for the Week of May 13, 2024

SECTION 53A1 • JEFFERSON HILLS BOROUGH, ALLEGHENY COUNTY

Contractor: Trumbull Corporation

1. Work Shift

- The standard work shift is 6:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday to Thursday. Friday and Saturday shifts will be used as needed.

2. Traffic

- Coal Valley Road re-opened **May 6, 2024**. It will be closed again in the future for steel erection.
- The SR 885 truck crossing for large off-road trucks is being used at times. Flagging will be utilized when trucks are crossing the roadway and for stoppages during blasting.
- PTC 43/Jefferson Boulevard - Drivers traveling to southbound PA Turnpike 43 will experience a lane shift at the ramp on Jefferson Boulevard. All traffic has been shifted to the northbound ramp. Once over the bridge, SB traffic on the ramp will cross back over to southbound side. Drivers traveling southbound from southbound SR 51 **need to stop** at the end of the ramp before moving onto Jefferson Boulevard. Please monitor speed through this construction area.
- Jefferson Boulevard/Rt 51 – Traffic shifts will occur for phased reconstruction of Jefferson Boulevard.
- Brickyard Road will have traffic restrictions during working hours. No left turns are currently permitted from existing Brickyard Road onto SR 51.
- New England Road was closed as part of the Section 53A2 project on March 25, 2024.

3. Earthwork

- Blasting for mass excavation will continue through December 2025. Between Jefferson Boulevard and SR 885 and between Coal Valley and New England Roads. For all blasts, 5 minutes prior to blasting the contractor will give 3 horn alerts of 15 seconds each. 1 minute prior to blasting, 3 horn alerts of 10 seconds will be sounded. 30 seconds prior to blasting, a series of short horn alerts will be sounded up to the time of detonation. After the blast, the area will be checked, and a horn will be sounded for 15 seconds to indicate that “all is clear”.
- Bulk excavations continue with material being transported via large off road trucks.
- Topsoil placement and seeding on slopes when available.



First beams being erected for bridge to span SR 51.

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4. Roadway and Bridge Work

- Bridge 400/401 over Brickyard Rd/Rt 51/Peters Creek –Steel erection has started at Abutment 2 near Peters Creek Road moving towards Abutment 1. Three large cranes are placing beams.
- Bridge 402 over Jefferson Boulevard – Abutments and parapets to be stained, Abutment 2 articulated block to be placed.
- SR 885 Bridge 403 - Parapets on new bridge are being placed.
- Bridge 404/405 over Coal Valley – 404 NB and 405 SB Piers 2,3,4 under construction. Pier 1 foundation concrete underway. Abutment 1 pile driving on-going.
- The temporary concrete facility is setup and ready for use.

5. Noise/Dust/Runoff Control

- Erosion control measures are installed and will be modified as construction advances. The erosion controls will be maintained as necessary.
- Diversion ditches have been constructed to take runoff water to sediment basins.
- A street sweeper is on-site and will be used to clean local roadways when needed.
- Water trucks are on-site and will be utilized to control dust when needed.

6. Dravosburg Temporary Signal

- The new traffic signal on Richland Ave is operational. The signal is currently within a 30 day operation testing period. Punch list work will be ongoing in the area.

SECTION 53A1 – ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE: Late 2026

Learn more about the Mon/Fayette Expressway by visiting the project website.