

## Frequently Asked Questions – Old York Road (SR 0611) over SEPTA Bridge Replacement Project

### 1. What are the project limits for the Old York Road over SEPTA Bridge Replacement Project?

**Answer:** Along Old York Road, the approximate construction project limits extend from the intersection with Madeira Avenue to the intersection with The Fairway/Harte Road. Temporary traffic Control (including lane shifts) will extend from approximately the intersection with Cloverly Lane/Rydal Road to the intersection with Woodcrest Avenue.

### 2. What is the purpose and need of the project?

**Answer:** The purpose of this project is to replace the existing deteriorating bridge carrying SR 0611 (Old York Road) over the SEPTA railroad at Noble Station in Abington Township and Jenkintown Borough, Montgomery County.

The following needs have been identified for the project:

- The existing multi-beam, three-span bridge, that was built in 1905 is rated in poor condition.
- There is no pedestrian access to Noble Station from the western side of Old York Road, and the existing stairs do not meet current ADA guidelines.
- ADA ramps missing; existing ADA ramps at the intersections of Rodman Avenue and Baeder Road are not all in compliance with PennDOT Standards.
- Outdated pedestrian signals, insufficient or failing pedestrian actuation, inadequate pedestrian access that creates unsafe conditions for pedestrians.
- Signalized intersections have faded pavement markings. Safety during wet weather due to lack of sufficient drainage facilities.

### 3. What improvements are included in the project?

**Answer:** Replacement of the existing bridge including the removal of concrete, removal of fill over the existing arch and replacement of pavement, curb and sidewalk along Old York Road. Work also includes:

- Utility relocation and replacement (PECO Gas and Electric, Aqua, and Verizon).
- Installation of new ADA compliant ramps on the eastern side of the structure to access Old York Road.
- Installation of new staircases on the western side of the structure

to access Old York Road.

- Resurfacing Old York Road within the project limits.
- New pavement markings and signing upgrades within the project limits.

**4. What is the anticipated construction schedule?**

**Answer:** Construction activities are anticipated to begin late in 2026 and will take two-years to complete.

**5. How will construction impact residents and commuters?**

**Answer:** Traffic impacts are necessary due to the efforts needed to replace the structure. Construction staging will require that traffic be reduced to one lane in each direction. Due to the anticipated increases in traffic, certain stages of construction will require that left turns be prohibited at Rodman Avenue and Baeder Road/Hilltop Road. Commuters will be directed to other nearby intersections to make these movements. Throughout construction:

- Access will be maintained to businesses and residences.
- Access will be maintained to SEPTA's Noble station access and the SEPTA Line service will be maintained.

**6. How will construction impact utility services?**

**Answer:** Utility companies will assist the contractor in performing necessary relocations during the project construction. Utility relocation work will be coordinated to minimize service impacts.

**7. How will the project address pedestrian safety during construction?**

**Answer:** Pedestrian routes will be impacted during the replacement of the structure. At least one sidewalk will be open and maintained across the structure at all times. Short and accessible pedestrian detours to the SEPTA Noble Station are included for each construction stage as needed. Pedestrian detour signing will be included during construction to clearly direct pedestrians to the accessible path.

**8. Will there be any night work?**

**Answer:** The majority of the construction activities are anticipated to occur during daytime hours; however, some construction activities may be necessary to occur over night to accommodate SEPTA needs.

**9. Will my property be impacted by this project?**

**Answer:** All impacted property owners have already been contacted by the PennDOT Right-of-Way Unit.

**10. How can I contact the project team with questions and concerns?**

**Answer:** Please contact PennDOT Project Manager, Harry Freed PE, at 610-205-6981 or [hfreed@pa.gov](mailto:hfreed@pa.gov).