



## Virtual Public Information Center

**Date: November 30 – December 13, 2020**

### **Route 73, Granite Avenue to Route 41 Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements**

Townships of Maple Shade and Mount Laurel, Burlington County, NJ

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns, and costs is holding a **Virtual Public Information Center (PIC)** to provide local residents, officials, and businesses with information on the **Route 73, Granite Avenue to Route 41 Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements project**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments by mail or email.

#### **The Presentation**

Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the Public Information Center will be held virtually. Please visit the following website any time between **December 10 and December 31, 2020** to learn more about the project and leave comments:

<http://creative-mt.com/rt73graniteave/>

Visit the Public Meetings section and you can enter the Public Information Center Portal on the homepage. You will have an opportunity to review a presentation, submit questions, and leave feedback. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate. If you are unable to view the presentation but are interested in learning about this project, please contact us as the telephone number or email address listed below.

#### **Background**

This project includes a 2-mile segment of Route 73 where several fatal pedestrian crashes have occurred in recent years. There is a lack of sidewalks and bicycle facilities along this section of Route 73. High levels of pedestrian and bicycle activity occur throughout the corridor, and pedestrians have been observed crossing Route 73 at mid-block locations where median barrier and a curbed grass median are present. The purpose of the project is

to improve the safety, accessibility, and mobility of bicyclists and pedestrians along Route 73 within the project limits.

#### **The Project**

The Preliminary Preferred Alternative for the project includes the following:

- Installation of an 8-foot to 10-foot wide Shared Use Path to accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists. The Shared Use Path is proposed along Route 73 northbound and southbound between the Waverly Avenue and Fox Meadow Drive signalized intersections.
- Installation of median fencing between Waverly Avenue and Fox Meadow Drive. The fencing will be installed on the median barrier and within the grass median.
- The Route 73 and Waverly Avenue signalized intersection will be upgraded to provide high-visibility crosswalks, pedestrian countdown signal heads and pushbuttons, ADA-compliant curb ramps, and a Leading Pedestrian Interval to provide additional crossing time for pedestrians.

#### **Estimated Schedule**

- Start Preliminary Engineering: Summer 2021
- Start Final Design: Fall 2022
- Start Construction: Fall 2024
- Complete Construction: Summer 2025

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