

Needham - Wellesley and Newton

Add-A-Lane Contract V along a Section of Interstate 95 Includes 6 Bridges

Weekly Look-Ahead

Week of May 18th, 2015

Throughout the week of May 18th, Barletta Heavy Division (BHD), MassDOT's contractor for the Route 128 Add-a-Lane Bridge V project, will continue construction operations. Work will be performed during both the standard working hours of 7:00AM to 3:00PM and third shift of 7:00PM to 5:00AM.

During the third shift, construction activities will be located on the Route 128 mainline and require the closure of two highway lanes which is prohibited during standard working hours. Work on the mainline will include the installation of temporary barrier and stripping loam. Nighttime demolition of the center pier of the disused railroad bridge over Route 128 within the work zone is now complete. On the nights of May 18th and 19th, the remains of the pier's footing will be removed and other clean-up work performed. This operation generates less noise than the pier demolition.

Within standard working hours, work will take place on the Kendrick Street Bridge and the Highland Avenue Bridge. At Kendrick Street, operations will focus on forming and pouring pier footings, columns, and caps and demolition of the east and west abutments. The installation of tiebacks and lagging will also be ongoing. At Highland Avenue, work will concentrate on forming and pouring of columns and abutments.

On Route 9, installation of erosion control measures is now complete. The project will now progress to installing signal and power duct banks, building a temporary access roadway along the ramp from Route 9 westbound to Route 128/I-95 northbound, and installing temporary barrier along the mainline of Route 9. **As part of this work, operations will need to occur within the travel lanes. The roadway will be restriped and lanes shifted to provide BHD with a safe work zone.** All lane shifts and lane takings will occur off peak to ensure the normal passage of rush hour traffic.

For more information about the project, visit the website at <http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/highway/HighlightedProjects/NeedhamWellesleyI95AddALane.aspx>. For questions or issues and concerns related to construction, please email the project's public involvement specialist, Nathaniel Curtis at ncabral-curtis@hshassoc.com.