

Needham - Wellesley

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

Weekly Look-Ahead

Week of April 27, 2015

Throughout the week of April 27th, 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 a third shift of 7:00PM to 5:00AM.

Work during the third shift 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 impact attenuators. Nighttime demolition work on the Kendrick Street Bridge, suspended during the week of the 20th due to noise concerns will also resume on Monday evening. Demolition of the discussed railroad bridge over Route 128 within the work zone, which has been determined to be the chief cause of excessive noise on the evening of the 21st, will also resume. Additional noise mitigation measures have been put in place to protect the community including the hanging of noise baffle blankets and the use of more handheld equipment in lieu of machine-mounted hoe rams. It is currently anticipated that operations at the railroad bridge will be completed by May 7th, 2015.

During standard working hours, work will focus on the Kendrick Street Bridge, the Highland Avenue Bridge, and along Route 9. At the Kendrick Street Bridge operations will consist of excavations for footings and walls, installation of tiebacks and lagging, forming and reinforcing footing and loaming the median. At Highland Avenue, work will concentrate on the reinforcing, forming, and pouring of abutments and piers. On Route 9, borings for drilled shafts will be taken; duct banks installed, and compost filler tubes positioned for erosion control. All work will be contained within existing work zones or take place off-line allowing vehicular travel to be maintained in its current configuration on all local roads.

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.