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# **Virtual Public Information Center**

## February 13, 2024 through February 27, 2024 Route 94, Bridge Over Jacksonburg Creek Blairstown Township, Warren County

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance the transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, is holding a **Virtual Public Information Center (PIC)** to provide local residents, officials, businesses, and the general public with information on the **Route 94, Bridge Over Jacksonburg Creek** project. You are encouraged to actively participate by viewing a project presentation at the website listed below and providing comments either at the time of the presentation, or after the presentation by e-mail or mail.

## The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be conducted virtually at the following website:

## https://jacobsvisual.wixsite.com/route94

Please view the presentation at a time convenient for you **between Tuesday February 13, 2024 and Tuesday February 27, 2024** to learn more about the project. After the presentation, you will have an opportunity to submit comments and questions to the NJDOT. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate.

#### Background

The Route 94 Bridge over Jacksonburg Creek is located in the Township of Blairstown, Warren County, and immediately south of the Route 94 intersection with Jacksonburg Road. The existing 2-span concrete bridge was constructed in 1931. The bridge is nearing the end of its service life and is in need of replacement.

## **Proposed Project**

NJDOT proposes to replace the existing Route 94 bridge with a single-span structure consisting of a 12-foot wide lane and a 10-foot wide shoulder in each direction. The Route 94 roadway will be re-aligned at the Jacksonburg Road intersection to better accommodate the Jacksonburg Road eastbound to Route 94 southbound truck turn movements. In the vicinity of the bridge, the existing guiderail will be replaced and a storm water detention basin is proposed to be constructed. During the construction phase, one lane in each direction of Route 94 will be maintained through the work zone. Temporary closures of Jacksonburg Road will be required during the construction phase.

## **Historical and Cultural Resources**

Federal regulations pertaining to the protection of historic properties, referred to as the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 process, requires the NJDOT to take into account the effect of proposed projects upon historic resources that are listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places.

NJDOT is required to solicit public input as part of the Section 106 process. Historic preservation organizations, historical societies, and similar groups, or individuals with information about cultural resources (archaeological or architectural) in the project area are encouraged to submit comments at the conclusion of the virtual Public Information Center presentation, or if preferred, comments may be submitted by e-mail or by mail to:

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## Schedule and Cost

- Construction is anticipated to begin in Fall 2027 and be completed in approximately 22 months
- Construction cost is estimated to be \$14 Million

For Special Accommodations, please contact: 862-242-7494

#### For further information, please contact:

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