

New Jersey Department of Transportation Acting Commissioner Fran O'Connor

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## **Public Information Center**

Route 33, CR 547 (Asbury Road) and Route 34 Intersections
Wall Township, Monmouth County
Wednesday, May 22 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and costs, will hold a Public Information Center (PIC) to provide local residents and businesses with information on the Route 33, CR 547 (Asbury Road) and Route 34 Intersections Project. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments by mail or e-mail.

#### THE MEETING

The Public Information Center will be held on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Monmouth County Library, 2700 Allaire Rd., Wall, NJ. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the project, ask questions and discuss any concerns with NJDOT representatives. If you are unable to attend, but are interested in learning about this project, please contact us at the e-mail or phone number listed below. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are invited and are encouraged to participate in the process.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this project is to improve safety at the roundabout intersection of Route 33, CR 547 (Asbury Road) and Route 34 in the Township of Wall, Monmouth County, NJ.

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

Route 33 has two travel lanes in each direction and a posted speed of 50 mph. Route 34 also has two travel lanes in each direction and a posted speed of 55 mph. County Route 547 has one travel lane in each direction and a posted speed of 50 mph. These roads intersect at a four-leg hybrid modern roundabout. The existing intersection experiences a high crash rate compared to the state-wide average for similar roadways. Most of the crashes were found to be rear end crashes on the approaches, side swipe crashes entering and exiting the roundabout, and crashes occurring at driveway conflict points within the roundabout.

### THE PROPOSED PROJECT

The project proposes to improve safety by restriping the existing roundabout to provide two 15-foot-wide travel lanes with a 1-foot-wide left shoulder and 10-foot-wide truck apron. The circulatory roadway will also be widened to provide an 8-foot-wide right shoulder. The Route 33, Route 34 and Asbury Road roadways will be

realigned to provide improved approach geometry that encourages slower vehicle speeds on approach to the roundabout. Additionally, all existing driveways within the roundabout, and within 50 feet from the roundabout, will be removed and relocated to improve safety by eliminating conflict points.

The project includes new sidewalks and curb ramps around roundabout and along Route 33 eastbound from the roundabout to Wyckoff Road. Where there is no shoulder in the westbound direction of Route 33, a 10-ft wide shared use path will be provided. The signalized intersection of Route 33 / Wyckoff Road / Shafto Rd. will be reconstructed for ADA compliance.

The project will exceed ¼ acre net new imperious and 1 acre of disturbance and therefore will require the incorporation of stormwater management facilities for compliance with the NJ Stormwater Management Rules. Possible basin locations have been identified; however, more information will be needed in Preliminary Engineering to finalize the locations and sizes.

Construction of the project may occur as follows:

Stage 1	Reconstruct the center of the roundabout. Construct temporary pavement along approach roadways. Begin relocation of existing aerial utilities.
Stage 2	Reconstruct / widen the outside of approach roadways and roundabout. Relocate existing driveways.
	Construct sidewalks and curb ramps.
Stage 3	Reconstruct splitter / median islands on
	approach roadways.
Stage 4	Complete final paving, signing & striping.

## **ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE**

Concept Development Complete: Fall 2024

Design Phase Begins: Spring 2025
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• Construction begins: Spring 2029

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