

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Route 208 over Lafayette Avenue
Proposed Bridge Replacement
Hawthorne Borough, Passaic County
Public Information Center
Wednesday, March 30, 2011, 6 – 8 pm**

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance the transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a **Public Information Center** to inform local residents, public officials and the business community about the **proposed improvements to the Route 208 Bridge over Lafayette Avenue**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail, or by e-mail. 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.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held at the Hawthorne Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 from 6 – 8 pm. Please come at a time that is convenient for you. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the proposed project, ask questions and discuss issues with representatives of NJDOT.

The Proposed Project

NJDOT proposes to replace the Route 208 bridge deck and beams over Lafayette Avenue with a precast deck with integral beams; construct new bridge sidewalks and parapets and replace and upgrade bridge guiderails. Milling and resurfacing of the highway approach roadways will be done to conform to the new bridge height.

Traffic Control/Detour

Variable message signs will be installed to inform motorists of pending construction and alternate detour.

Route 208 will remain open in all directions during construction.

There will be five 3-day weekend periods, where it will be necessary to restrict Rt. 208 in one direction to one lane, with an alternative detour route provided for cars, if needed, using Goffle Road and Goffle Hill Road. Trucks will not be permitted to use the local detour route. Night work will occur during the weekend periods.

The ramp from Goffle Rd. SB to Rt. 208 NB will be closed for about 2 months.

Lafayette Avenue will be closed during intermittent periods while work occurs on the overpass. Traffic will be detoured through Braen Ave. and Goffle Rd.

Estimated Schedule

Construction will begin Spring-2012 and will last approximately 6 months.

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