



## Virtual Public Information Center

**Date: November 30-December 14, 2020**  
**Piaget Avenue over Passaic-NY Branch Railroad**  
**City of Clifton, Passaic County, NJ**

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 Virtual Public Information Center (PIC) to provide local residents and businesses with information on the **Piaget Avenue over Passaic-NY Branch Railroad project**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments by mail or e-mail.

### THE MEETING

Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency the Public Information Center will be held virtually. Please visit the following website any time between November 30 and December 14 to learn more about the project and leave comments: [www.piagetavenue.com](http://www.piagetavenue.com)

You will have an opportunity to review a presentation, exhibits of the draft plans, submit questions, and leave feedback. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate.

### BACKGROUND

The Piaget Avenue Bridge spans over Passaic-NY Branch Railroad at MP 12.92 in the City of Clifton, Passaic County, New Jersey. The project limits include the Piaget Avenue roadway between Brown Place (MP 0.40) and Vernon Avenue (MP 0.65) as well as the area under the structure on Passaic-NY Branch Railroad. The identified bridge is structurally deficient due to the poor condition of the deck and functionally obsolete due to the substandard deck geometry. The purpose of the proposed project is to address the existing safety, longevity, and functionality concerns of the bridge carrying Piaget Avenue over Passaic-NY Branch at MP 0.50 along Piaget Avenue and MP 12.92 along Passaic-NY Branch, by replacing the deteriorated structure.

### THE PROPOSED PROJECT

NJDOT determined that replacement of the structure is required as the bridge is functionally obsolete due to the inadequate vertical and lateral under-clearances, and substandard deck geometry. NJDOT proposes the following:

- Full Bridge Replacement
- Full Closure ABC Construction with Detour
  - Approximate Construction Duration: 4-6 Months

- Maintain existing stopping sight distance while improving existing vertical underclearance
- Improve lateral clearance to NJDOT and Railroad standards
- Increase existing approx. 5-ft sidewalks to standard 6-ft sidewalks
- ADA compliant sidewalks at intersection
- Guiderail with impact attenuator at the east approach of bridge, eastbound lane

### Traffic Control and Staging

The bridge construction will involve a full closure of the bridge, and detours for vehicles as well as pedestrians will be provided. In order to complete construction at a quicker rate and reduce the time needed for detours, accelerated bridge construction methods will be followed.

There are currently no bus routes being impacted on Piaget Ave.

Construction easements will be needed for construction equipment and storage access. However, no neighboring driveways will be impacted. Equipment and material will be stored on Piaget Avenue west of the west bridge abutment to Getty Avenue, and east of the bridge from the east bridge abutment to the nearest driveway for each lane. Use of the railroad for access and material will be coordinated as well, and there will be no permanent ROW impacts.

Existing overhead telephone utility lines passing over the south fascia of Piaget Avenue Bridge over Passaic-NY Branch will be temporarily relocated during construction.

### Anticipated Schedule

- Concept Development Complete: Spring 2021
- Preliminary Engineering Complete: Fall 2021
- Final Design Complete: Summer 2022
- Construction Start: Spring 2024

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