



PUBLIC HEARING RULES

The following rules will govern the Public Comment portion of the Public Hearing:

1. Everyone wishing to speak must register at the desk located at the entrance to the auditorium.
2. Speakers will be called in the order in which they registered, except for public officials who will be given priority.
3. Speakers are asked to state their full name and address, and spell their last name. All comments will be recorded by the Certified Court Reporter.
4. Oral comments for public officials will be limited to 10 minutes. Oral comments for the members of the public will be limited to 5 minutes. Remaining time cannot be assigned to another speaker. There is no limit on the length of written comments.
5. The public hearing will end when all those registered to comment have done so.

The record shall remain open for sixty (60) days after the hearing, until June 9, 2014 and any additional comments must be submitted in writing to:

Lamis T. Malak, P.E., Hearing Officer
New Jersey Turnpike Authority, P.O. Box 5042
Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095

All comments will be addressed in a written Final Hearing Report, which will be issued after the hearing.

New Jersey's No Net Loss Reforestation Act

As part of this public hearing and in accordance with New Jersey Statutes Section 13: 1L-14.4, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority (a state entity who owns and maintains the Garden State Parkway) is conducting a public forum to present its plan for deforestation and plan for reforestation of an area at least one acre in size associated with Garden State Parkway Widening from Milepost 35 to 38.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

	2014				2015				2016				2017			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Pre-Stage 1																
Stage 1																
Stage 2																
Stage 3																



New Jersey Turnpike Authority

Public Hearing

April 9, 2014 / 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm





HEARING LOCATION

Egg Harbor Township Community Center
5045 English Creek Avenue
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234

AGENDA

Introduction of Purpose & Need	Lamis T. Malak, P.E. Senior Highway Engineer Hearing Officer, NJTA
Program Overview	Peter T. Kühne, P.E., PMP Program Manager Atkins North America, Inc.
Description of Improvements	Michael McDonnell, PE Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.
Public Comment	Open

Written comments and/or questions will be accepted by NJTA until June 9, 2014. These may be submitted to:

New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Engineering Department
P.O. Box 5042
Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Attn: Lamis T. Malak, P.E., Hearing Officer

Garden State Parkway Widening Program

Widening from Milepost 35 to 38 and Interchange Improvements

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project will widen the northbound (NB) and southbound (SB) Garden State Parkway (GSP) mainline from two lanes with nominal shoulders to three lanes with full shoulders in both directions. The widening will take place both in the inside median and outside areas. The proposed highway typical section will provide a 10' left shoulder, three 12' thru travel lanes and a 12' right shoulder. Other improvements include new overhead guide signs, ramp lighting, guide rail, utility relocations, and retention swales. The Authority is utilizing the widening program as an opportunity to address congestion and safety issues at Interchanges 36, 37 and 38. These closely spaced interchanges experience weaving, congestion and high crash rates. The proposed interchange improvements include: separating the GSP Interchange 37 exit and the Interchange 38 entrance, widening the Interchange 38 entrance to two lanes, providing a SB auxiliary lane to the GSP Interchange 36 exit, and providing an EB acceleration lane on Tilton Road to accommodate the Interchange 36 exiting traffic.

The proposed widening and interchange improvements will be accommodated within the existing GSP right-of-way. A right-of-way acquisition from the Shore Mall and easements along the SRNJ railroad are required to accommodate all the improvements. Construction along the mainline will be accomplished in multiple stages. Two lanes of travel, in each direction, will be maintained on the GSP during peak travel times. Permits have been obtained from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), United States Coast Guard (USCG), and New Jersey Pine-lands Commission (NJPC) for the mainline widening and permits for interchange improvements are pending.

The project includes replacement bridges at: Interchange 36 entrance over the GSP, Tilton Road (CR-563), Black Horse Pike (US Rt 40 and 322), Washington Avenue (CR-608) and Delilah Road (CR-646); a new bridge carrying the Interchange 38 entrance over the Interchange 37 exit; and widening the GSP bridge over the SRNJ railroad. The estimated construction cost for the project is between \$80 and \$90 million.

