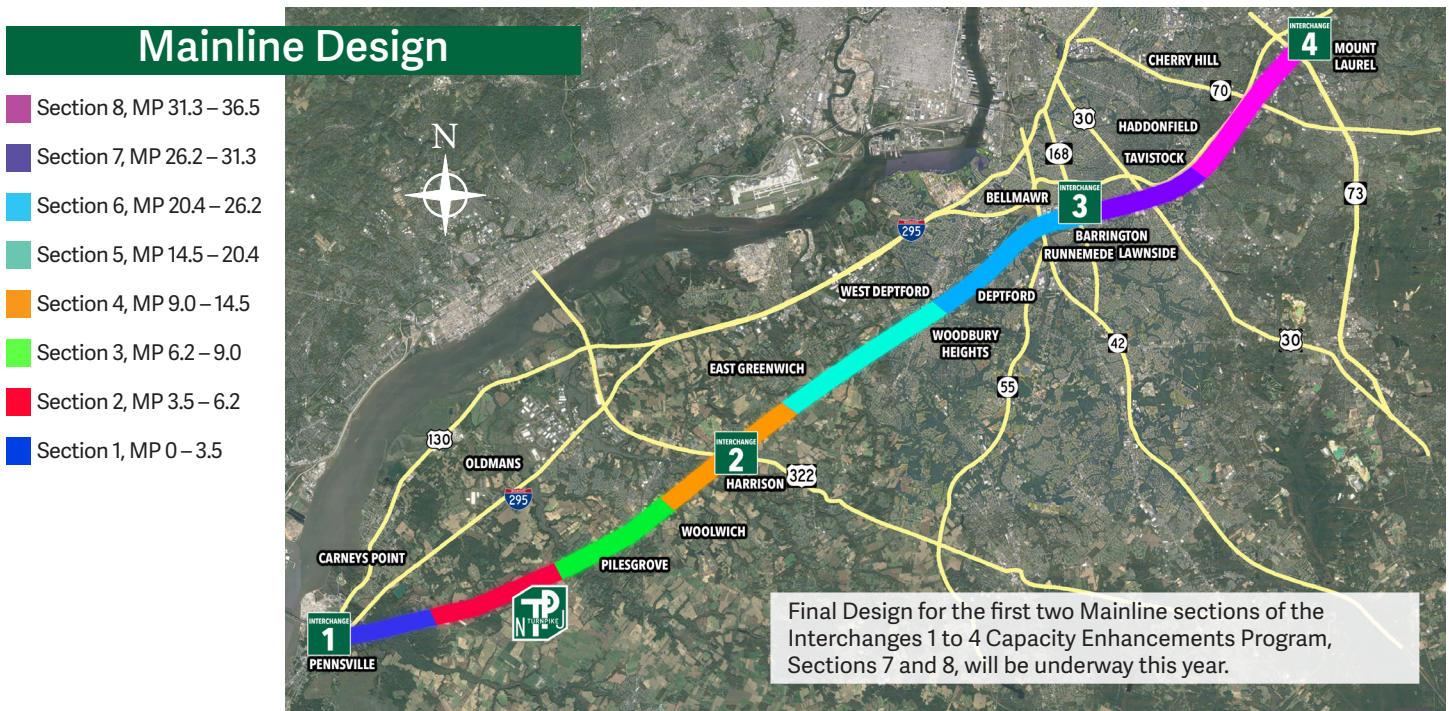


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OVERVIEW

Since the opening of the New Jersey Turnpike in 1951, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority (NJTA) has increased capacity over various sections of the Turnpike – except for the Interchanges 1 to 4 Corridor. Despite significant growth in population and traffic in the region, the Corridor has remained the same four-lane highway (two in each direction). In contrast, other sections of the Turnpike have been updated to six lanes (three in each direction) or twelve (six in each direction). Between Interchanges 11 and 14, the road has been updated to 14 lanes (seven in each direction).

As the result of the *Traffic Operational Study of New Jersey Turnpike Interchanges 1 to 6* – which identified safety, mobility and operational needs along the Corridor – the NJTA is undertaking the Interchanges 1 to 4 Capacity Enhancements Program. This effort will add a lane in each direction along the 36.5 miles from the southern terminus of the Turnpike to Mount Laurel Township – an area that spans 18 municipalities and four counties. AECOM, an international infrastructure consulting firm, was issued a Professional Services contract in March 2021 to serve as Program Manager for this effort and spearhead the environmental review process.





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CAPACITY PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS

The addition of a lane in each direction will advance mobility, improve safety, reduce congestion and thereby improve air quality across the Program Corridor. Other Program improvements include geometric and capacity improvements at Interchanges 1, 2, 3 and 4, solutions to alleviate congestion on the local roadway network at ramp termini, the replacement or retrofit of 56 of the 66 bridges over/along the Turnpike, shoulder improvements and interchange lighting. Additional environmental benefits include the incorporation of green infrastructure elements to improve water quality, and planning for both the current and future needs of electric and autonomous vehicles.

TIMING

The Program began in May 2021 and is currently completing preliminary design and environmental studies. Final Design, engineering and environmental permitting are anticipated to begin in 2023. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2025.

OUTREACH AND RESOURCES

The Program Team has engaged in a robust outreach effort with local, county, state and federal officials, agencies, utilities and the general public. Stakeholder engagement throughout the design and construction process is paramount. The Program Team has conducted two rounds of meetings in the summer of 2021 and spring/summer of 2022 with local, county, state and federal elected officials to review initial design concepts and advance MOUs/MOAs with affected parties. A series of Public Information Centers and Public Hearings will be scheduled to present the Program.

The Program Team has established a wealth of resources to keep the lines of communication open, including a Program call line and e-mail address for inquiries and a Program newsletter.

Visit the Virtual Room at <https://aecomviz.com/NJTA1-4CEP-2022> for interactive digital Program resources and a library of Program documents. The Program can be reached at (855) 277-8282 and NJ1TO4questions@aecom. Visit www.njta.com/capitalprojects for more information.