

NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM

New Jersey Turnpike Authority

Notice of Public Forum on Proposed No Net Loss Reforestation Plans for the Grade Separated U-Turn Program at Milepost 43.0 along the New Jersey Turnpike (Westampton Township, Burlington County).

Take Notice that the New Jersey Turnpike Authority (Authority), as part of the New Jersey No Net Loss Reforestation Act (N.J.S.A 13:1L-14.1 *et seq.*), will conduct a Public Forum to present their plans for deforestation associated with the Grade Separated U-Turn Program at Milepost 43.0 along the New Jersey Turnpike (the Project).

The Project will construct a new U-Turn bridge which is intended to replace the traffic movement previously provided by the median cut-throughs and will only be for official use (e.g., emergency and maintenance vehicles)

The Project area at Milepost 43.0 includes 9.5 acres of existing forested land, of which 7.4 acres is subject to the No Net Loss Compensatory Reforestation Program. The area of disturbance is no larger than is necessary to construct the Project, as the Authority has taken every effort to reduce the impact to forested areas.

The Public Forum will be held on the following date:

Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Westampton Municipal Building, First Floor Courtroom, 710 Rancocas Rd, Westampton, New Jersey 08060.

At the Public Forum, representative(s) from the Authority will be available to provide project information and answer questions. The public will be given the opportunity to provide both oral and written statements. The public comment period will remain open for sixty (60) days following the Public Forum and will close on October 26, 2024. Written statements may be submitted either at the Public Forum or may be sent to Oleem O'Garro, P.E. at the address provided below.

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