



THE NEWARK BAY — HUDSON COUNTY EXTENSION IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM



Notice of Intent

Upcoming Construction Contracts to be Advertised

The Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvements Program Westbound Trestle Construction

July 7, 2025

The New Jersey Turnpike Authority (Authority) is planning to replace the existing Newark Bay Bridge (Vincent R. Casciano Memorial Bridge) with twin cable-stayed bridges as part of the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvements Program. The first (Westbound) bridge will be built offline on the north side of the existing bridge and has a forecast construction duration of 2027 through 2031. To facilitate construction of this first bridge, a pair of in-water construction trestles (extending from each side of Newark Bay) are proposed to be built in two separate construction contracts. The first contract, Contract No. T835.770.204 (Newark trestle), will be built on the west side of the existing United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) maintained channel and the second, Contract No. T835.770.205 (Bayonne Trestle), will be built on the east side of the channel.

The trestles will consist of a steel superstructure supported on steel pipe piles with a timber deck. Each will include a 45-foot-wide main spine, along with multiple 32-foot-wide trestle “fingers” that branch off the main spine to facilitate bridge pier and superstructure construction. The Newark trestle will be advertised for construction first with an estimated advertisement date in July 2025. The Bayonne trestle advertisement will then follow soon thereafter. It is estimated that the bid period for each trestle will be six weeks.

Access to the Newark trestle will be via local public roadways onto compacted maintenance driveways within Authority ROW under the existing bridge. Access to the Bayonne trestle will be via NJ Route 440 southbound. It is anticipated that a haul road constructed as part of Contract No. T835.770.205 will run along the southbound side of NJ Route 440 and provide access to the trestle from a staging area just west of John F. Kennedy Boulevard in Bayonne.

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) issued a public notice on May 9, 2024, with the comment period ending on July 13, 2024. The Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI) and the USCG Bridge Permit was subsequently received on May 7, 2025. Additionally, a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Multi-Permit covering work to be performed under these contracts was received on April 3, 2024. The work is subject to additional permits and right-of-way being obtained by the Authority and to be provided to the contractor.

Bidders must be prequalified under Contract Classification 8, Heavy Highway, Rating Unlimited, prior to the receipt of proposals. Inquiries pertaining to these contracts are to be directed in writing via e-mail to highwaydesign@njta.com. The subject line should read “NB-HCE Westbound Trestle Construction - NOI Inquiry”. The deadline for inquiries is Friday, July 11, 2025. The Authority will respond to all written inquiries received by the deadline. Each inquiry will be stated, and a written response provided. Responses will be posted on the Authority’s website under Doing Business/Current Solicitations on or before Wednesday, July 16, 2025.



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