

# SCUDDER FALLS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT



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## **SINGLE-LANE TRAVEL PATTERNS NEXT WEEK ON PA ROUTE 32 AND NJ ROUTE 29 IN VICINITY OF SCUDDER FALLS BRIDGE** *Off-Peak Travel Restrictions Needed to Allow for Installation of Bridge Netting*

**EWING, NJ** – Motorists may encounter slight delays during off-peak daytime hours next week on PA Route 32 (River Road) and NJ Route 29 in the vicinity of the Scudder Falls (I-95) Bridge, the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission announced today.

The travel restrictions are associated with bird-netting installation work that has been taking place at the Scudder Falls Bridge since late October.

Next week's expected lane closures are as follow:

- Pennsylvania side – Monday, Nov. 28, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Route 32/River Road reduced to single alternating travel lane with traffic controlled by flaggers beneath the Scudder Falls Bridge;
- New Jersey side – Monday, Nov. 28; noon to 5 p.m. – Route 29 southbound reduced to single lane beneath the bridge;
- New Jersey side -- Tuesday, Nov. 29, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Route 29 southbound reduced to single lane beneath the bridge;
- New Jersey side – Wednesday, Nov. 30, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Route 29 northbound reduced to single lane beneath the I-95 approach bridge to the Scudder Falls Bridge.

The scheduled travel restrictions are subject to change due to weather, emergency, and traffic considerations. Motorists should reduce their speeds whenever traveling through designated work zones.

The lion's share of netting installation work on the Scudder Falls Bridge was carried out in late-October and mid-November. A series of weekday lane closures allowing for that work from atop the bridge ended on Monday, November 21. An alternating travel lane configuration along PA Route 32/River Road beneath the bridge is in effect today.

A moratorium on travel restrictions in the vicinity of the Scudder Falls Bridge will be in effect – except if emergencies arise -- during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend travel period.

The installation of bird netting beneath the Scudder Falls Bridge is one of several preparatory measures currently underway to prepare for the onset of the Scudder Falls Bridge Replacement Project next year.

The comprehensive regional transportation project encompasses a heavily commuted 4.4-mile portion of I-95 extending from the Route 332/Yardley/Newtown Road exit in Bucks County, PA and the Bear Tavern Road/Route 579 exit in Mercer County, NJ. The congestion-prone highway segment is a choke point for job-commuter traffic between Bucks County and Central Jersey. The segment, especially in the area of the bridge and its flanking interchanges, has a high accident rate; more than 100 accidents a year and some have been fatal. More information and videos on the bridge replacement project are available at [www.scudderfallsbridge.com](http://www.scudderfallsbridge.com).