



BERGEN COUNTY
Local Preliminary Engineering Phase for
Bridge & Intersection Improvements
at Market Street, Essex Street & Rochelle Avenue/Main Street
Borough of Lodi, Township of Rochelle Park, and Township of Saddle Brook

PROJECT INFORMATION

UPDATE – 4/29/19

Bergen County's Department of Planning and Engineering is advancing the design for Bridge & Intersection Improvements at Market Street, Essex Street and Rochelle Avenue/Main Street.

The intersection and the corridors it serves are important to the region's transportation infrastructure due to their proximity to Routes 80, 17, 46, 4 and the Garden State Parkway. The existing intersection approaches are substandard and are a choke point for the large traffic volumes it serves. Bergen County is the lead agency administering the contract and working in coordination with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) using federal funding.

The bridge and intersection have traffic congestion issues and traffic movement capacity issues for which preliminary engineering plans have been developed to improve safety and reduce congestion while still taking into account practical measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential impacts to the built and natural environment.

The Project Background

Bergen County has been working with Lodi, Saddle Brook and Rochelle Park to find a solution to improve this intersection. As part of the continuing process of this project, the Local Concept Development phase was completed in April 2015 and included a number of meetings with local officials, stakeholders and the community to obtain input pertaining to the intersection and bridge. Through alternatives analysis with agency coordination and community involvement, the Preliminary Preferred Alternative (PPA) was selected and resolutions of support were received from each of the municipalities. The project was reviewed by NJTPA and NJDOT and approved to move into the design phase.

Local Preliminary Engineering Phase

The current phase of this project is Local Preliminary Engineering (LPE). The LPE Phase involves performing engineering and environmental tasks and preparing documentation in order to obtain National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) clearance for the project. Based on the PPA, a number of activities are simultaneously set in motion: community involvement (meetings with affected property owners or business owners), agency consultation, environmental documentation, design level mapping and design services. A public information center meeting is conducted to inform and to encourage community consensus, which may lead to some minor adjustments to the PPA, while maintaining the resolutions of support received at the end of the LCD phase.



Project Schedule

Local Preliminary Engineering (LPE) Anticipated Project Schedule - Major Milestones

Environmental Documentation Completed	Spring 2019
Submission of Preliminary Engineering Report	Spring 2019
Completion of Preliminary Engineering Phase	Summer/Fall 2019

Project Schedule - Tentative Dates for each Phase

Local Concept Development (LCD) Phase	2012-2015 completed
Local Preliminary Engineering (LPE) Phase	2017-2019
Final Design (FD) Phase	2020-2022
Construction Phase	2022-2024

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