



Virtual Public Information Center

Date: July 16 - August 9, 2021

Route 82, Caldwell Avenue to Lehigh Avenue

Township of Union, Union County, NJ

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns, and costs is holding a **Virtual Public Information Center (PIC)** to provide local residents, officials, and businesses with information on the **Route 82, Caldwell Avenue to Lehigh Avenue project**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments by mail or email.

The Presentation

Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the Public Information Center will be held virtually. Please visit the following website any time between July 16th and August 9th to learn more about the project and leave comments:

<https://development-mt.com/route-82-caldwell-to-lehigh/>

You will have an opportunity to review a presentation, submit questions, and leave feedback. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate. If you are unable to view the presentation but are interested in learning about this project, please contact us as the telephone number or email address listed below.

Background

The section of Union Township within the project limits is an urban residential and business district. The Union town center, located in the middle of the project limits, has many small business and restaurants. The purpose of the project is to improve pedestrian safety and mobility throughout the Route 82 corridor from MP 1.87 to MP 4.0. The condition of the roadway pavement appears to be fair/poor. There are nine existing traffic signals within the project limits, eight of which need updating to current standards. Deteriorated sidewalks exist within the project limits and all curb ramps are substandard, not in compliance with ADA Standards.

The Project

The proposed project improvements include: Mill/Overlay pavement and install upgraded striping, minor full depth pavement reconstruction along Route 82 Eastbound shoulder, reconstruct deteriorated sidewalks, reconstruct all curb ramps to ADA standards, road diet at Caldwell Ave, provide left turn lane onto Harding Ave, close median opening at Ingersoll Terrace, add auxiliary lane along Route 82 eastbound from Route 22 eastbound ramp to jug handle, improve truck turning movements at Lehigh Ave, upgrade eight signalized intersections to current standards including high-visibility crosswalks, pedestrian countdown heads and pushbuttons, and improve intersection lighting. Minor drainage improvements including bicycle safe inlet grates, replacing approximately 4 corrugated metal pipes with reinforced concrete pipes, upgrading 12-inch pipe to an 18-inch pipe at the bottom of the Route 22 eastbound ramp to alleviate ponding, and reconstruct a number of deteriorated inlets and manholes.

Estimated Schedule

- Summer 2021 – Start Construction
- Summer 2023 – Construction Complete

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