



PennDOT to Replace Ardmore Avenue Bridges in Haverford Township, Delaware County

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King of Prussia, PA – Ardmore Avenue is scheduled to close between Haverford Road and Golf House Road in Haverford Township, Delaware County, on Monday, July 15, through June 2020, as part of a PennDOT project to replace two bridges that carry Ardmore Avenue over Cobbs Creek and SEPTA's Norristown High-Speed Line.

This transportation improvement project is driven by the need to replace both bridges that are rated in poor condition and improvements are needed to enhance the safety and operations of the two bridges because of their age, state of deterioration and the lack of adequate shoulders and approaches to the structures.

The bridge over Cobbs Creek was built in 1935, and the structure over SEPTA tracks dates back to 1927.

During the full closure, Ardmore Avenue motorists will be detoured over Darby Road, College Avenue and Haverford Road. Local access will be maintained up to the construction zone.

Drivers are advised to allow extra time when traveling near the work area because backups and delays will occur. Ardmore Avenue carries an annual average daily traffic volume of 11,700.

In addition to building two new bridges, the project will include the complete reconstruction of Ardmore Avenue between Golf House Road and Haverford Road to accommodate two four-foot-wide shoulders and two 12-foot-wide travel lanes.

PennDOT will install a temporary pedestrian bridge at the Ardmore Avenue Station for SEPTA's Norristown High Speed Line prior to the implementation of the project detour. This bridge will provide pedestrian access for both station platforms during construction.

The Norristown High Speed Line station will remain in service throughout the length of the project and motorists will be able to access the Ardmore Avenue Station parking lot via Golf View Road.

J.D. Eckman, Inc., of Atglen, Chester County, is the general contractor on the \$9,837,500 bridge replacement project, which is financed with 80 percent federal and 20 percent state funds. The entire project is expected to be completed in the summer of 2020.

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