

Construction Update
Middlesex – US 2 Bridge Replacement
IM 089-2(41)

Project Location: Bridge 55 is located on US 2 in Middlesex approximately 1.9 miles east of the intersection of US 2/VT 100B and spans over Interstate 89 and the New England Central Railroad (NECR) line. This is a multi-year project with construction starting in 2016 and completion scheduled for 2018.

I-89 Traffic Delays – Daily single lane closures on I-89 northbound and southbound can be expected all week. Construction crews will be excavating within the median as part of the bridge project. Reduce speed and use caution when driving through the project. Traffic delays can be expected.

The posted speed limits *within the construction zone* has been reduced to 55 mph on I-89 and 30 mph on US 2.

New photos have been posted to the project website

<http://www.us2middlesex.vtransprojects.vermont.gov/photos.html>

Week of May 15, 2017

For the next several months, crews will be focusing on building the bridge substructure which includes two piers, two abutments and two retaining walls. US 2 and I-89 traffic will be affected by this work.

Pier 1, located between I-89 southbound and the New England Central Railroad line, is scheduled for concrete placement this week.

Abutment 2 footing is under construction and work will continue on the associated retaining wall.

Pier 2 will be located within the I-89 median. Crews will be driving steel sheeting for the coffer dam which will support I-89 during construction.

US 2 will be reduced to one lane throughout the entire project with alternating one-way traffic maintained. Flaggers will be present to assist with maintaining traffic flow.

Traffic –Traffic delays can be expected this week on US 2 and I-89.

It is illegal in VT to use any handheld portable electronic devices while driving. The law carries fines of up to \$200 with points assessed if the violation occurs in a work zone.

Contact Francine Perkins, Project Outreach Coordinator, FRP Enterprises, LLC with any questions or concerns with regards to the project at 802-479-6994. Construction updates and project photos are posted at <http://www.us2middlesex.vtransprojects.vermont.gov/> .