

**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.

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**Memorial Day Weekend – There will be no work performed on the project throughout the holiday weekend, including Monday, May 29, 2017. Crews will return to work on Tuesday, May 30, 2017.**

**I-89 Traffic Delays – Daily single lane closures on I-89 northbound and southbound can be expected Tuesday (5/30) through Friday (6/2). 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.**

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

**Week of May 29, 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.**

Abutment 2 footing is under construction and work will continue on the associated retaining wall. Plans for this footing calls for three levels of cast-in-place concrete. Crews are currently working on constructing the second level.

Crews are forming the cast-in-place pier cap for Pier 1.

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/> .