

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.

Construction on this project is expected to continue through the end of January. At that time, the project will close for the remainder of the winter and work will resume in the spring.

Week of January 23, 2017

Due to the recent inclement weather conditions, crews were not able to complete the planned tasks as they anticipated. The work plan this week will be the same as last week.

Sheet piling will continue to be installed along US 2 on the east side of the project (Montpelier) for a coffer dam. Once this work is complete, crews will begin excavating to prepare for construction of retaining wall #3 which will be part of abutment 2 of the new bridge. This work will occur behind the Jersey barrier located on US 2.

Construction of abutment 1 and the footing for pier 1 will continue throughout the week. Concrete for abutment 1 is expected to be placed this week. Pier 1 will be formed and prepared for concrete placement. All work is weather dependent.

US 2 traffic will be reduced to one lane with alternating one-way traffic over the bridge so trucks can access the site. Flaggers will be present to assist with maintaining traffic flow.

Traffic – Traffic delays are expected on US 2 this week. Lane closures are *not* expected for I-89 this week.

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/> .