

Will the Junction Hollow Trail be closed during construction?

It is too early in the project design process to know what temporary impacts will occur in relation to the Junction Hollow Trail. The design team is aware of the importance of the trail to the community, commuters and recreational users. Our design team will consider traffic impacts to I-376 travelers and impacts to travelers below the bridge.

The existing underdeck shielding is deteriorating and has been falling on the playground below. When will this be repaired or replaced?

PennDOT is in the process of procuring new shielding material and replacement of the existing shielding system will begin this fall.

Are noise studies going to be completed for the I-376 over Four Mile Run project? Are sound barriers being considered for the I-376 over Four Mile Run project?

It is too early in the project design process to know if a preliminary noise study will be completed. More information regarding the scope and size of the improvement is necessary, which will be developed, and clarified, as the project progresses.

Typically bridge rehabilitation or replacement projects do not require a noise study to be completed. Under federal and state requirements, only Type I projects (projects that substantially alter/widen/reconfigure an existing facility) are considered for incorporating sound barriers into a project. Moving forward the design team will also consider the effects of temporary construction noise, daytime and nighttime work, and construction duration. Regardless of the alternative that is selected, the project team will incorporate noise reducing features, such as reducing the number of expansion joints on the bridge, the use of longitudinal grooving on the bridge deck, etc.

Further questions or clarifications on noise or any other environmental concern can be forwarded to Mark Young, District Environmental Planning Manager, at markyoung@pa.gov.

Four Mile Run Park was just renovated. What's going to happen to the park during and after construction?

The design team will work with the City of Pittsburgh and the local community to minimize disturbances to park use. During construction, the park will be temporarily closed, and the new park equipment will be removed and stored for reuse. The design team will work with the City of Pittsburgh and the community to reestablish the park after construction.

Will my property be impacted by the project?

The design team will make an effort to minimize property impacts for this project, however it is too early in the process to identify what properties may be impacted and to what degree.

Following environmental clearance and if your property is impacted by the project, your first contact will be a letter informing you that your property will be affected. You will also be personally assigned a Real Estate Specialist to answer any questions you may have and/or explain all of the benefits to which you may be entitled. The value of your property will be determined by a State Certified Appraiser. Local real estate trends and the value of comparable properties will be taken into consideration when determining the value of your property which you will be offered as Just Compensation. Future Public Meetings will include more information on the state's right-of-way process.

Flooding is a big issue in our neighborhood. Will this project make it worse?

The PennDOT team has been coordinating with Pittsburgh Water on their [Four Mile Run Stormwater project](#), which is intended to help to reduce basement backups and neighborhood flooding that many residents in The Run have experienced. Stormwater drainage from the I-376 bridge and roadway will be studied and drainage systems will be properly designed, constructed, and maintained to meet State requirements.

What are you doing about the debris that falls from the Parkway traffic (litter, car crash debris, etc.)?

Regardless of whether a rehabilitation or replacement option is chosen the design team will investigate including fencing on the top of the bridge. The design team will also investigate extending the fencing along the roadway to capture debris as well. The public will have the opportunity to comment on the specifics of these improvements later in the design process.

Will this project use the slide-in-place technique like the Commercial Street Bridge?

The slide-in-place technique is one of several Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) methods under consideration. There are several ABC methods that the project team is considering to accelerate construction while minimizing impacts to the community. The project team will evaluate which method best suits the community and project requirements.