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ASHFORD AVENUE LONG-TERM LANE CLOSURES START WEDNESDAY NIGHT Closures are part of the Ashford Avenue Bridge and Ramp Rehabilitation Project

Motorists are advised that Ashford Avenue in Ardsley and Dobbs Ferry will be reduced to one lane in each direction between Southfield Avenue and Saw Mill River Road (Rt. 9A) starting on Wednesday, June 15, at 7 p.m. This traffic pattern will continue for approximately one year and will commence the Stage 1 construction of the Ashford Avenue Bridge and Ramp Rehabilitation Project. Motorists will be traveling on the northern portion of the bridge, while the southern portion of the bridge is demolished and replaced. Next year, when the southern side of the bridge is completed, traffic will shift to that side in order for the northern side of the bridge to be demolished and replaced.

The \$17.9 million project to fully rehabilitate the Ashford Avenue Bridge and Ramp along the border of Ardsley and Dobbs Ferry started pre-construction on January 4, 2016, and began impacting traffic on March 1 with off-peak lane closures on Ashford Avenue, the Saw Mill River Parkway and the New York State Thruway (I-87). It is expected that all four lanes of traffic will be restored on the Ashford Avenue Bridge by the summer of 2018.

The construction stages of the Ashford Avenue Bridge and Ramp Rehabilitation Project include:

- **Pre-Stage**, which began on January 4, 2016, and runs until June 2016. During the Pre-Stage there were off-peak lane closures on Ashford Avenue for off-structure utility relocations as well as on the Saw Mill River Parkway and New York State Thruway (I-87) for preparation work. The closure of the northbound entrance & exit ramps to Ashford Avenue occurred during the pre-stage on March 14, followed by the demolition of the ramps.
- **Stage 1**, expected to begin on June 15, 2016, and continue for approximately one year. During Stage 1, the southern side of the Ashford Avenue Bridge will be demolished and replaced. One lane in each direction on Ashford Avenue will be open to traffic with no access to or from the northbound Saw Mill River Parkway.
- **Stage 2**, expected to begin in June 2017 and last approximately one year. During Stage 2, the northern side of the Ashford Avenue Bridge will be demolished and replaced. One lane in each direction on Ashford Avenue will be open to traffic with no access to the northbound Saw Mill River Parkway. Exit 17 northbound on the Saw Mill River Parkway will be reopened.

- **Stage 3**, expected to begin in June of 2018 and last approximately four months. During Stage 3, the Ashford Avenue Bridge will be restored to two lanes in each direction during peak periods with final paving and sidewalk work occurring in midday periods. The interchange (exit/entrance ramps) with the northbound Saw Mill River Parkway will also be fully restored during peak periods.

For additional information, contact Westchester County Department of Public Works and Transportation at (914) 995-2555. Full details on this project are available at www.westchestergov.com/ashfordavenuebridge. Sign up for special email alerts on this project at www.westchestergov.com/subscribe.

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