

PROYECTO DE REEMPLAZO DEL PUENTE LENHARTSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA - ESTADOS UNIDOS

El propósito del Proyecto es reemplazar el puente existente I-78 Lenhartsville sobre Maiden Creek y PA-143 y ensancharlo para acomodar la adición de carriles auxiliares y arceños interiores y exteriores completos para cada dirección, en la I-78. Este puente es uno de los candidatos a puente de peaje.

Project Information

County: Berks

State Route: SR 0078-LBR (Interstate 78)

Local Name: I-78 Lenhartsville Bridge Replacement Project

Project Type: Bridge Replacement and Auxiliary Lane Addition

Proposed Construction Start: 2023-2025

Estimated Construction Duration: 2-3 years

Last Updated: February 2021

The **cost** for the project is estimated at between \$40 and \$50 million

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The I-78 Lenhartsville Bridge was built in 1955 and was last rehabilitated in 1985. This bridge is in a rural setting and crosses Maiden Creek in Greenwich Township, Berks County. It also serves as an overpass to PA-143. The bridge carries 51,080 vehicles daily, approximately 30 percent of which is truck traffic.

The purpose of the I-78 Lenhartsville Bridge Replacement Project is to replace the existing bridge over Maiden Creek and PA-143 and widen it to accommodate the addition of auxiliary lanes and full inside and outside shoulders on I-78 in each direction. These modifications will provide a consistent typical section along the I-78 corridor.

The project is intended to address the substandard I-78 westbound deceleration and I-78 eastbound acceleration lane lengths to and from the PA-143 interchange.

Through the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental review process, the I-78 Lenhartsville Bridge Replacement Project was approved as a Categorical Exclusion (CE) in 2019, and the project team has moved forward with final design and right-of-way acquisition.

PennDOT is reevaluating the CE for this project because it is one of several projects being evaluated as a candidate for bridge tolling. A bridge toll is a fee that drivers pay when passing a specific location, often by using a service like E-ZPass. The cost for the project is estimated at between \$40 and \$50 million. The funds received from the bridge toll will go back to the I-78 Lenhartsville Bridge project to pay for construction, maintenance and operation.

As part of the environmental reevaluation, PennDOT is analyzing how bridge tolling may impact local communities and how alternate routes drivers could take to avoid the toll may impact local traffic and roadways. When studies are completed in Spring 2021, we will present our findings for public review and comment in a virtual public meeting. During the meeting, the team will also share project details, such as engineering design, environmental impacts, construction schedule and maintenance and protection of traffic during construction.

The project is currently in final design. Construction is anticipated to begin between 2023 and 2025. During the meeting, the team will also share project details, such as engineering design, environmental impacts, construction schedule and maintenance and protection of traffic during construction.

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