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Public Notice: Emergency Closure - CR-521 (River Road) Distributed: July 9, 2013

Municipality:

Montague Township

Facility:

County Route 521 (River Road) - CLOSED

County Route 521 (River Road) is closed approximately 1000' North of New Mashipacong Road in Montague

Advisory:

During the installation of a drilled shaft for a new Tennessee Valley Gas Main under CR-521 (aka River Road) in Montague, the Drilling Contractor noticed a localized settlement developing in the roadway pavement. The Contractor promptly suspended their operations and notified the County of Sussex Division of Public Works, who in the interest of public safety then quickly closed the road to traffic.

Actions Taken:

- **ROAD CLOSURE:** On Monday, July 8, 2013 County Route 521 (River Road) was closed approximately 1000' North of New Mashipacong Road.
- **SECURE ROAD CLOSURE:** County and Contractor forces implemented a "hard" roadway closure utilizing concrete construction barriers and traffic control devices (drums, barricades, etc.) to protect the traveling public.
- **POST TEMPORARY DETOUR:** County forces posted a temporary detour (see attached detour map), utilizing Breakaway Barriers, Variable Message Boards, and advisory signs.

Follow Up Actions:

- The Pipeline Contractor, in conjunction with the Sussex County Division of Engineering is currently evaluating on-site conditions and repair alternatives.
- Pending the completion of an engineering investigation, development of approved remedial plans and subsequent full restoration of the failed area of CR-521, the County intends to re-open the road to traffic (possibly within 2-3 weeks).

Contact Information:

For more information about this project please feel free to contact the Sussex County Division of Engineering at 973-579-0430 or dpw@sussex.nj.us.



CR-521, Looking East – Roadway Settlement



CR-521, Looking South Towards New Mashipacong Road – Roadway Settlement



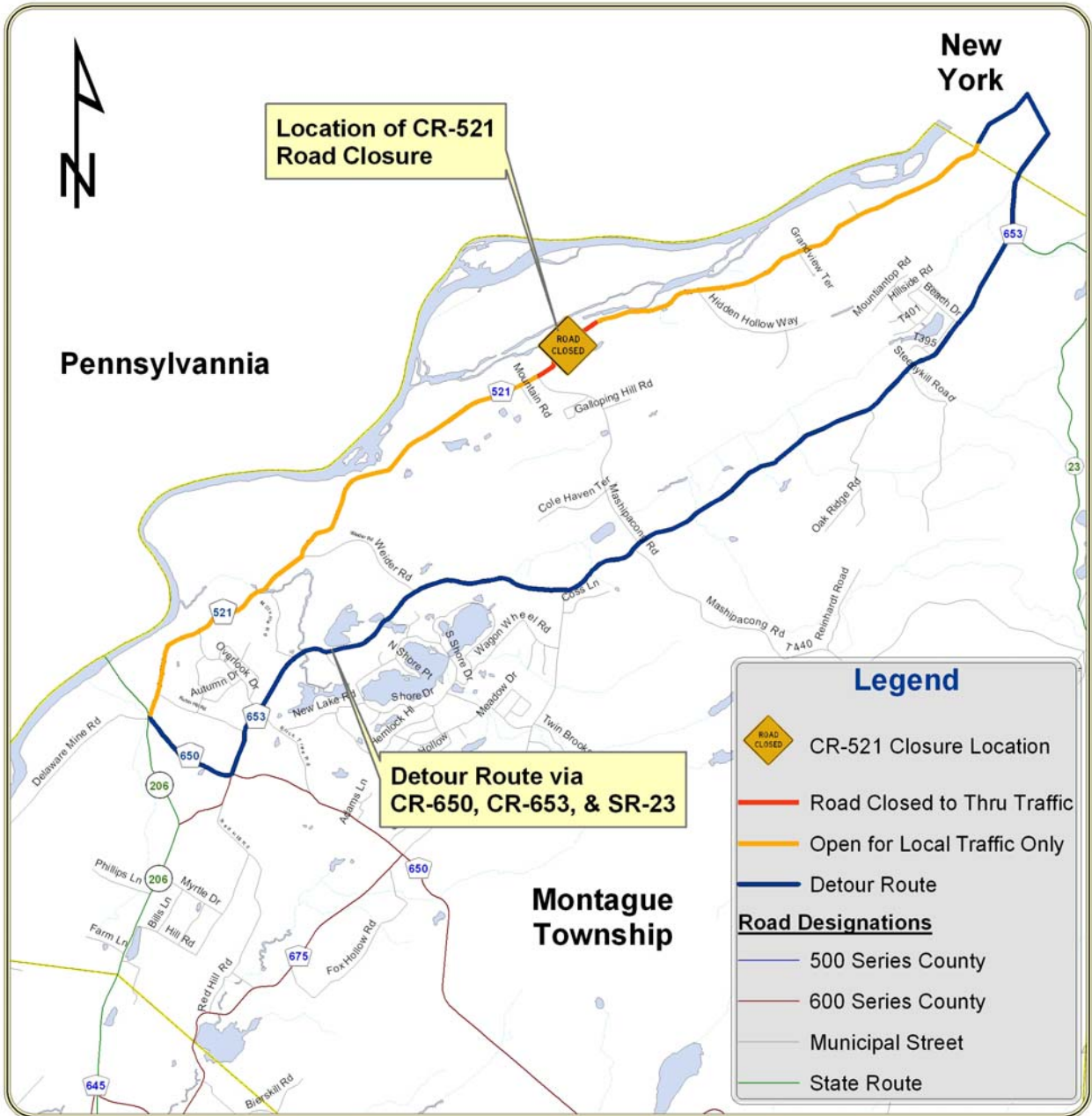
CR-521, Looking North – Installation of Concrete Barrier to Secure Roadway Closure



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County Route 521 Closure: Detour Map:



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