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Public Notice: Bridge B-10 Closure

Municipality:

Branchville Borough

Facility:

Bridge B-10- TO BE CLOSED

Carrying County Fairgrounds Road (a.k.a. Recreational Road) over Dry Brook

Advisory:

During the routine biennial inspection of Bridge B-10 by an NJDOT hired consultant, Bridge Inspectors observed holes through the webs of stringers #4 and #5 and advanced section loss to stringer #6.

As a result of this advanced deterioration, NJDOT's consultant recommended the bridge be closed until permanent repairs can be completed.

In the interest of public safety, Bridge B-10 will be closed pending further evaluation of the safe load carrying capacity of the bridge.

Actions To Be Taken:

 BRIDGE CLOSURE: On Friday, June 5, 2015 Bridge B-10 on County Fairgrounds Road (a.k.a. Recreational Road) will be closed using temporary signs and barricades.

Follow Up Actions:

In an effort to maintain Bridge B-10 open for the safe passage of vehicular traffic, the Division of Engineering has directed our on-call Engineering Consultant, Genesis Engineering, to evaluate the current safe carrying capacity of the structure.

Pending favorable results of this structural evaluation, Bridge B-10 may be reopened to vehicular traffic on a restricted (weight posted) basis and/or additional structural repairs may be investigated.

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Deteriorated Bridge Stringer S4 at West Abutment. (Note heavy corrosion and holes through web of beam)

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Contact Information:

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

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