

Route 80 in North Branford Construction Announcement

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Traffic Shift on Route 80 in North Branford Scheduled To Begin August 13

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) is announcing a traffic shift on Route 80 between Twin Lakes Road and the intersection of Route 139. Traffic will be shifted to the south side of Route 80 throughout the project site and under the newly constructed railroad bridge. This shift will be put into place during overnight starting August 13, 2006, depending on favorable weather conditions. The shift will remain in effect for several months. One lane in each direction will be open at all times.

The reconstruction of this section of Route 80 includes:

- the widening of Route 80 to four lanes
- construction of a new steam railroad bridge (to replace the current Tilcon Bridge)
- reconstruction of railroad tracks to align with the new bridge
- installation of storm drainage and sanitary sewers
- reconstruction of the intersection of Commerce Drive and Cedar Lake Road
- repaving of Commerce Drive.

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