

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Contractor has completed a significant scope of the Philip J. Fahy Memorial (New Street) Bridge Rehabilitation Project. The contractor is currently installing reinforcing steel and anticipates beginning the installation of the southbound concrete deck of the bridge when this steel installation is complete. Pouring the concrete must be completed in sections and will take several weeks. Once the southbound concrete deck is complete and the concrete has cured, the framing and installation of the parapet walls in the middle of the bridge and the west side of the bridge will begin. The remainder of the lights on the west side can then be installed.

Following this work, the bridge structural steel surfaces will be cleaned so that a detailed inspection of the bridge can be conducted and final repairs and adjustments can be made. An epoxy protective wearing surface overlay of both the southbound and previously completed northbound bridge decks will be placed and cured prior to final line striping.

Final closeout during the final several weeks of the project will include such items as removal of the under-bridge scaffolding, bituminous roadway pavement ties-ins and permanent line striping.

In the fall, the contractor will be adjusting traffic patterns daily to complete items such as cleaning the bridge, placing the epoxy surface overlay on the northbound side, and completing other items on the northbound side of the bridge.

The project is anticipated to be completed late fall 2017.