

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Route 31 Pennington Circle
Hopewell Township, Mercer County**

**Township Council Meeting
Monday, January 25, 2010, 7:00 pm**

The New Jersey Department of Transportation will present the proposed Pennington Circle Improvements in the Township Council meeting to the local residents, officials and the business community of Hopewell Township, where they will have the opportunity to comment on this proposal. NJDOT is committed to balancing transportation needs, community concerns, the environment and costs. You are encouraged to actively participate by offering your comments and concerns about how the proposed project may affect you and your community.

The Meeting

The Council meeting will be held at the **Hopewell Township Municipal Building, 201 Washington Crossing-Pennington Road, Hopewell, New Jersey on Monday, January 25, 2010 at 7:00 pm.** NJDOT will briefly present the proposed plan, and you will have the opportunity to ask questions to NJDOT. In accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, anyone with information concerning historic and archeological properties in the area should share it at the meeting so that it can be considered during the project development process.

The purpose of this project is to improve traffic operations and safety at the Pennington Circle. High traffic volumes and high vehicle speeds contribute to poor traffic operations, queuing and safety concerns within the circle during the morning and afternoon peak hours. The proposed project will provide traffic calming measures to reduce vehicle speeds, improve traffic conditions and enhance safety at the circle.

The Proposed Project

- Realign Route 31 northbound approaching the circle to reduce vehicle speeds.
- Install yield traffic control on Route 31 northbound at the circle using signs and pavement markings.
- Install yield traffic control on Route 31 southbound at the circle using signs and pavement markings.
- Install pavement striping within the circle to better delineate travel lanes
- Provide two travel lanes for Route 31 northbound traffic through the circle.
- Install "Yield Ahead" warning signs along Route 31, Blackwell Road, Washington Crossing-Pennington Road and Main Street prior to the circle.

Traffic Control

During construction, there are no roadway closures or detours anticipated. Temporary lane reductions and alternating traffic patterns may be implemented at various times.

Estimated Schedule

Based on funding availability, construction could begin in 2012.

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