

New Kosciuszko Bridge Construction

REVISED NOTICE

► **TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE**
over the EB Long Island Expressway (LIE)
Service Road Ramp between 43rd Street
beneath the LIE and Laurel Hill Boulevard

Beginning on or about Monday, November 14th and
continuing through approximately early April 2017
24-hours-a-day

Please look for and observe all construction signs and barriers so that work can proceed in a timely manner.

The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) has awarded a \$555 million contract to construct Phase 1 of the new Kosciuszko Bridge. Beginning on or about Monday, November 7th and continuing through approximately early April 2017, NYSDOT will implement:

- a temporary closure of the **pedestrian bridge over the EB LIE Service Road ramp between 43rd Street beneath the LIE and Laurel Hill Boulevard**. The existing structure will be removed to allow for the construction of a new pedestrian bridge structure and for placement of new concrete pavement on the entrance ramps to WB Brooklyn-Queens Expressway. There will be no pedestrian access over the pedestrian bridge throughout the construction period. The B24 and Q67 bus stops will not be affected.

Detours (please see attached map):

- 1) To access Laurel Hill Boulevard south of the Long Island Expressway (LIE), pedestrians should turn south (right) onto 48th Street, west (right) onto **53rd Street**, south (left) onto 43rd Street, and finally west (right) onto 54th Road to Laurel Hill Boulevard.
- 2) To access 43rd Street north of the LIE, pedestrians should turn east (right) onto 54th Road, north (left) onto 43rd Street, east (right) onto **53rd Street**, north (left) onto 48th Street, and finally west (left) onto Laurel Hill Boulevard to 43rd Street.

The new Kosciuszko Bridge will improve traffic safety, reduce congestion and improve travel speeds. Enhancements to the roadway will include extra lanes, wider lanes and a reduced incline creating longer sight lines and increased visibility. The project will also include a new bikeway/walkway on the bridge; new parks and open spaces; improved access to the waterfront; and enhancements to local streets. The project is part of the New York Works Program, created to generate jobs and increase economic development.

The project team will make every effort to minimize impacts during this large construction project. However, some disruption and inconvenience typically occur on any construction project, including changes to vehicular and pedestrian traffic patterns, loss of parking, noise, vibrations, and dust. To promptly and proactively address community concerns, NYSDOT has hired a full-time **community liaison, Christine Holowacz**. Christine is available to answer your questions, provide additional information and assist you in resolving construction-related issues. She can be reached at (347) 988-4412 or Kosciuszko@dot.ny.gov.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation during construction of this historic bridge. For more information, visit www.dot.ny.gov/kbridge and follow us on Twitter: @NYSDOT_DOT.