

Van Wyck Expressway to JFK Airport Capacity and Access Improvements Contract 1 - D900048 Project Update: January, 2022

Project Location



Bridges & Ramps

- 1. Hillside Avenue
- 2. Jamaica Avenue
- 3. **101st Avenue**
- 4. Liberty Avenue
- 5.109th Avenue
- 6. Linden Boulevard Bridge & NB Ramp
- 7. Foch Boulevard
- 8. Rockaway Boulevard
- 9. **133rd Avenue**

10.WB Belt Parkway Ramp

Group 1 - Summer, 2022 completion Group 2 - January, 2022 start

In early 2021, the New York State Department of Transportation began construction on Group 1 Bridges (in white circles at left): Hillside Avenue, Liberty Avenue, 109th Avenue, Rockaway Boulevard, the southbound exit ramp from the highway to Belt Parkway being moved and reconnected to North Conduit Avenue. With completion anticipated in Summer 2022, attention turns to the Group 2 Bridges (in blue circles at left): Jamaica Avenue, 101st Avenue, Linden Boulevard, Foch Boulevard, and 133rd Avenue.

All bridges will be lengthened to create room for future HOV lanes. The Jamaica Avenue and 133rd Avenue Bridges will be rehabilitated, while the 101st Avenue and Linden Boulevard bridges will be replaced.

The northbound Linden Boulevard exit ramp will be relocated south in order to create more space for merging traffic. You can see a rendering of the new bridge below.



Project Benefits

- Creates critical infrastructure improvements for future HOV lanes that will help keep through traffic on highway and off local and service roads
- Enhances safety and mobility in local neighborhoods, including push-button traffic signals, dedicated turning lanes, new sidewalks and smooth roadways
- Linden Boulevard exit ramp relocation will help reduce highway backups
- Preserves community connections by extending lifespan of bridges
- Upgrades ADA-compliant intersections
- New VWE connection to Belt Parkway reduces traffic on North Conduit Avenue and VWE service roads

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