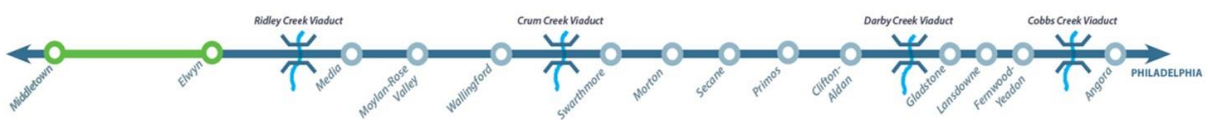


ELWYN TO WAWA

SERVICE RESTORATION PROJECT
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PROJECT UPDATE

New Traffic Patterns on Route 1 Beginning Saturday, October 3 Construction on Rail Station and Parking Deck Underway

New Traffic Pattern on Route 1 Beginning on Saturday, October 3

Beginning this Saturday, October 3, the traffic pattern on Route 1/Baltimore Pike in the area of the rail bridge and station construction site will be changed. Currently, Northbound and Southbound Route 1 are reduced to a single lane with the outside lane closed to vehicle traffic. On Saturday, crews will be working to switch the lane closures from the outside lanes to the inside lanes in both directions.

Executing this lane change will require intermittent closures of no more than 15 minutes in either direction of Route 1. During these closures, Southbound traffic will be temporarily stopped at Valley Road and Northbound traffic will be temporarily stopped at Wawa Road. Drivers are asked to use caution approaching this area.

Once this lane shifts are completed by Saturday afternoon, Route 1 North will be single laned – using the outside travel lane – from Wawa Road to just past the rail bridge. Route 1 South will be single laned – using the outside travel lane – from Valley Road to just before the rail bridge.

Based on the current construction schedule, SEPTA anticipates that both lanes of traffic on Route 1 North and South will be reopened by the end of November.

Train Station & Parking Deck Construction – Construction Will Intensify Through the Fall

This Summer, crews began work on Phase 3 of the project, which includes construction of the train station and the parking deck along Route 1. Site preparation work to create the access road into the station, and the installation of a retaining wall and structure foundations will require controlled blasting and pile driving. For residents living near the station construction area, this work will be louder than previous construction activity.

On **Tuesday, September 29**, crews will perform a blasting test in the area of the station road entrance. This will require a brief rolling shutdown of Route 1 to ensure the safety of motorists and construction crews. Following the results of the test, crews will be utilizing controlled blasting over the course of a few weeks. Blasting work will likely every day during this period, and we anticipate no more than one controlled blast per day.

Beginning on **Monday, October 5**, crews will begin driving steel piles for a retaining wall and for the foundation of the parking deck structure. Pile driving activities will continue through the fall.

Additional Updates – Work Areas 2 & 3

Work Area 2 – Lungren Road to Route 352

While major work is wrapping up in some parts of this Work Area, considerable work remains on the installation of the new stream culvert behind Riddlewood Swim Club, and right-of-way and track restoration work continues to be performed throughout the entire Work Area.

On **Monday, October 5**, crews will begin placing railroad ties on the trackbed, starting in the area of Route 352 and moving west. These ties are treated with creosote and residents living near the track may initially notice a temporary odor after they are placed.

Work Area 3 – Route 352 to Elwyn Station

Crews have completed construction activities in this Work Area.

Lenni Road Grade Crossing –

Later this fall, the installation of the new grade crossing and final paving of the roadway will require Lenni Road to be closed to vehicle traffic for one week. We will notify residents and motorists well in advance of the scheduled work and advise of the detour route.

Thank you for your continued patience

With COVID-19 restrictions in place, we know residents have been home for more of this project than was anticipated, and we thank you for your continued patience throughout this work.

As always, residents are reminded that the entire SEPTA track area should be considered an active construction zone at all times, and residents are asked to observe all posted signage and stay clear of the construction area for their own safety.

Information on the project is available at <http://septa.org/rebuilding/station/elwyn-wawa.html>. Please also do not hesitate to email elwyntowawa@septa.org or call 215-580-8210 with any questions or to be added to our project email list.