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**Group: Construction News**

**Project No.: 0146-0196**

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**Headline:** The Connecticut Department of Transportation is announcing the temporary road closure of Route 74 in the Town of Vernon beginning Monday June 13, 2016 for an (8) week period until Monday August 8, 2016. Detour will be posted.

**Teaser:**

This closure is necessary for the replacement of Bridge No 05588 over the Hockanum River. This bridge is located west of the Stop & Shop Plaza on Route 74 and East of the round-a-bout.

**Body of the Message:**

The project consists of a 42 foot long clear span bridge utilizing precast concrete deck units cast integral on precast abutments founded on steel piles. Curb to curb width will be 32 feet, which consists of two 11 foot travel lanes and 5 foot shoulders in each side. A 5 foot wide sidewalk will be constructed on the South side of the bridge.

DOT Project No. 0146-0196, was awarded to NJR Construction LLC, of Torrington, Connecticut on December 14, 2015 at a cost of \$ 1,982,181.00 and is scheduled to be completed in September 2016.

**LANE CLOSURE INFO:**

Motorists can expect traffic delay with alternating traffic on Route 74, between the hours of 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The majority of the construction work will be performed utilizing an eight week detour from June 13, 2016 until August 8, 2016 during the summer months while schools are closed.

**DETOUR INFORMATION:**

From Ellington heading east on Route 74 to Route 83, from the round-a-bout at the intersection of Skinner Road and Pinney Street motorists will be directed to follow Pinney Street, right onto Windermere Ave., right onto Lower Butcher Road and right onto West Road.

In the Town of Vernon heading west on Route 74, motorists will be directed to travel east on Route 83, left onto West Road, left onto Lower Butcher Road and left onto Pinney Street back to Route 74. Local access will be maintained to Penfield Road in Ellington and Franklin Street in Vernon.

**The information below must be filled in for press information to show up on map and website**

Specific Date e-alert to be issued: May 16, 2016

**NOT FOR PUBLICATION MAPPING ONLY**

DOT Project No.: 0146-0196

Route: Route 74

Town: Vernon

Highway log:

Project Start Date: April 1, 2016

Anticipated Completion Date: September 8, 2016