



## **Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority**

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **RITBA SUMMER 2018 PROJECTS**

**July 3, 2018**

**Jamestown, R.I.** - [The Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority \(RITBA\)](#) would like to provide a construction report and traffic advisory update for the upcoming months. There will be multiple RITBA projects in progress. These projects include work on the Mount Hope Bridge, Sakonnet River Bridge, Newport Pell Bridge, Jamestown Verrazzano Bridge and the Route 138 Connector.

#### **Newport Pell Bridge/Route 138 (Jamestown)**

- Cable Inspection Project (Main Span Only) – There will be occasional right lane closures from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for equipment loading and unloading. Will begin at the end of July and go through October 2018
- Safety Walkway and Deck Repairs – Nightly right lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. during the summer through mid-September. Occasional daytime right lane closures for forming and pouring of concrete with those taking place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. eastbound and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. westbound
- Toll Plaza Maintenance – Occasional daytime gated toll lane closures
- Route 138 Jamestown Landscaping – There will be lane closures for landscape maintenance and grass cutting once per week. These will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. eastbound and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. westbound

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### **Mount Hope Bridge**

- Suspended Span Painting Project (Northbound) – This work will be performed behind construction barrier, no lane closures are required
- Bridge Pressure Washing – The project will require alternating lane closures from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday to Thursday through July 13, 2018
- South Approach Painting Project – There will be occasional lane closures through early September 2018 for loading/unloading from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Safety Walkway and Deck Repairs – Night work lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through July 20, 2018. Daytime work lane closures from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 17, 2018 to July 19, 2018. No deck work to be performed after late July 2018

### **Sakonnet River Bridge**

- Bridge Pressure Washing – There will be northbound right shoulder closures from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., starting July 16 through August 6
- Bridge Parapet Rehabilitation Project – The project will take place throughout the month of July, Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m., northbound lane closures will be implemented from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

To stay up to date and receive the latest on construction activity and real-time traffic, visit RITBA's site at [RITBA.org](http://RITBA.org). This site provides the latest information concerning lane closures, construction activities and traffic delays for the Newport Pell, Jamestown Verrazzano, Mount Hope and Sakonnet River Bridges, in addition to the RT 138 Connector.

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