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Temple Hill Road Bridge Closes for Approximately 14 Months as New Bridge is Built

(LARGO, MD) – The Temple Hill Road Bridge is closed to traffic and will undergo a complete redesign and reconstruction over the next 14 months. The bridge located over Pea Hill Branch in Clinton, Maryland, failed under the intensity and severity of a storm, resulting in its closure. A detour is in place to assist vehicles with alternate travel routes.

Prior to the closure, funding had been allocated for the bridge's reconstruction as one of several Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) in Prince George's County. Both Washington Gas and Pepco have already begun performing utility relocation work so that construction can begin in August. The project's estimated date of completion is Fall 2021.

The County is dedicated to making roadways safer for all users and the new design includes safety elements that consider drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. To improve vehicular safety, the new bridge will be higher, larger and wider, with an added 36 feet to its length and 68 feet to its width. Pedestrians will be accommodated along a new sidewalk and cyclists along wide shoulders that tie in with the roadway approaches to the bridge. Additionally, roadway lighting will be included to increase visibility. This approach is part of the Vision Zero Prince George's strategy to utilize engineering to help eliminate traffic-related fatalities in our County.

Detour Information:

Cars should use Plata Street, Old Branch Avenue, and Piscataway Road (MD 223).

Trucks are directed to Kirby Road, Old Branch Avenue, and Piscataway Road.

More information on the Temple Hill Road Bridge Replacement Over Pea Hill Branch project, visit: <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/30210/Temple-Hill-Rd-Bridge-Repl-over-Pea-Hill-Branch>

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