

Scudder Falls Bridge  
 Open Houses - June 22 and 23, 2004

Survey Question No.	4. What do you think about increasing the number of traffic lanes from 2 in each direction to 3 lanes of through traffic, plus an on/off lane?
<b>Lower Makefield</b>	
1	It's a good idea. The access to 29 without getting on and off the bridge is clever – and useful.
2	Greatly needed.
3	OK, but must have on and off lanes.
4	Sounds good but – interested in learning about plans re: noise (sound barrier?) storm water run off, control (Hilltop, Edgemere – Maplevale)? Access from Taylorsville Rd?
5	Needed.
6	Necessary.
7	Definitely needed. PA must increase the I-95 lanes from the bridge to Newtown.
8	Will work for a while! Must also provide bike/ped access so all forms of transportation can cross.
9	Will work for a while! Need to make all forms of transportation available as in bike/ped paths.
10	Positive move.
11	Will work for a while. Need to make all forms of transportation available as in bike/ped paths.
12	Needed badly for peak traffic.
13	Based on design plans – ok. Like “local is thru” idea.
14	Good idea.
15	Good idea.
16	Great idea but minimize land acquisition and add sound mitigation.
17	Excellent so long the bridge does not shut down completely.
18	Not necessary.
19	Is necessary, given AM & PM traffic volumes.
20	Provided they incorporate sufficient noise reduction.
21	Good as long as we get sound wall.

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22	Ok if aesthetically pleasing with an adjacent bike/ped way.
23	Fantastic if it improves traffic flow but not encourage further development.
24	Overdue; can't wait. Please do best to help NJ side crash ratio.
25	Noise!!!
26	Necessary.
27	None.
28	None.
29	This makes sense & is needed, but loss of open space/seizing of property should be minimized to the maximum ability while still achieving the goal.
30	This is probably necessary.
31	I have concerns about the increase noise levels with the addition of new lanes. If these issues are considered and addressed, I would then approve of the increase.
32	I don't like this idea at all. Don't expand. Build another bridge somewhere else – nearer to Trenton.
33	Sound good.
34	Probably needed.
35	Need it plus bike access for hike walkers etc.
36	None.
37	Most acceptable.
38	If would increase driving speeds.
39	Build storm water detention, stream flowing through my tract routinely floods from lack of storm water controls on 95 from 332 eastward to "Rest area".
40	Excellent idea.
41	It's a must.
42	Excellent! Superb! Do it tomorrow!
43	Makes sense.
44	I think this would become inadequate within several years.

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45	Personally I hate it but understand the need.
46	Only if it becomes necessary – to improve the flow of traffic.
47	Good idea if noise is not increased.
48	I am concerned about the on/off ramp construction more than the on/off line painting the residential homes.
49	Yes.
50	Majority needed.
51	Yes, please.
52	If it would alleviate congestion, it would be a wise decision.
53	It makes sense – it is so needed during rush hours. We can't keep building and not keep up with our roads and bridges.
54	Whatever works is fine, just include a bike/ped facility.
55	For traffic purposes it needs critically to be done. However what does it mean to all the issues you raise tonight – environment, existing housing, etc.
56	Too much – 2 each way.
57	It is needed.
58	It should be done. The NJ-29 on ramp is dangerous.
59	Build a 10 lane c/o bridge with 6 thru lanes (3 each way) and 4 c/o lanes (2 each way) plus 4 shoulders (2 for thru traffic, 2 for c/o lanes).
60	Good idea, but needs to be done sooner, would have been more intelligent to think pro-actively on something like this.
61	Depends on how its done.
62	Good idea.
63	Needs to be done.
64	Should be done!
65	Good idea.
66	Preferable.

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67	None.
68	Needed desperately.
69	Really needed!
70	Sounds good – access ramps off Taylorsville Rd? Sound barriers? Storm water run-off into Hillwood Terrace.
<b>Villa Victoria Acad</b>	
71	I am concerned about the placement of the bridge ie. North or south of existing span easement and environment domain.
72	I question if this until be shortsighted in the long run.
73	Noise concerns but good idea.
74	Definitely needed, but concerned about impact of road widening on property, especially noise, which is already intolerable.
75	Its fine if they go north of the highway.
76	I welcome safety but worry about additional traffic, noise and how it will affect Taylorsville Road and quality of life in PA.
77	Keep it as it is and put a (train) monorail down the center with stations every 2 miles.
78	It is needed.
79	None.
80	As long as it does not impact any property owners.
81	I think it is justifiable, but noise abatement (sound barriers specifically) would be necessary. I feel also, a maximum speed of 55 mph approaching the bridge.
82	Great.
83	Widening should be kept to a minimum in consideration of homeowners in area.
84	Anything to help the traffic flow would save a lot of travel time for those of us who use I-95 daily.
85	I am opposed – there is far too much traffic. There should be an alternate route or new bridge.
86	The only way to go.
87	Opposed. Don't like 3 lanes.
88	Fine, but do not take down the NJ sound barrier.
89	Certainly would help, but would probably prove inadequate over time.
90	Needed.

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91	Yes, but do it on the Jersey State Police side of 95.
92	Flexible lanes for rush hours.
93	I-95 is ok as is, widening the bridge is what is necessary.
94	What will be the impact on local residents?

<b>13. Do you have any other suggestion regarding the I-95/Scudder Falls Bridge improvements?</b>
<b>Township, PA</b>
Not at the moment. Very interesting presentations and informative.
None.
Adding additional lanes in the median is the only answer – lanes to the outside impacts the existing neighborhoods negatively. Noise barrier a must.
Are you aware of Elm Lowne property and current feasibility study! Plan for this not only as historic property barn for theatre?
Impact on the stream that runs behind Lower Hilltop Rd. Potential for sound barriers for area that already exceed 64.
None.
Get it done quickly.
Must be bike/ped accessible and connect to D & R canal and PA canal. Accessible transportation must be built for everyone! Complete streets and complete bridges and tunnels. Path needs to be 12 feet wide minimum for safety and so that emergency vehicles can access and use!
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None.
Make it for bike/ped and safety.
Noise abatement!!!
Main worry is 2g loop onto bridge – “death trap”.
Keep construction as close as possible to current boundaries of rights of way.
None.
Minimize land acquisition and add sound mitigation. Appearance is second to function. Minimize impact to existing traffic during construction.
The bridge is congested – no question but to ever close a bridge to 60,000 cars daily would be not only crazy but poor public policy. It is imperative no matter which solution chosen, the bridge must be allowed to stay open.
Whether or not bridge is expanded, reduce the noise impact o adjacent areas.
None.
None.
None.

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None.
Move as quickly as possible.
2 bridges.
None.
None.
None.
None.
A portion of the grass median in PA would be reserved. Merrill Lynch should stagger hours to reduce congestion now.
We need sound barriers. The noise has increased dramatically in the last 15 years.
My biggest concern is the existing and future noise levels from I-95. I strongly suggest putting noise barriers up to help reduce these noise pollution problems.
Yes. Leave the bridge alone. Build another closer to Trenton (south of Route 1).
If you knew that you would have all this traffic why were the houses aloud to built. Why was soundboard not put up when the road was being built. You knew about the projection.
None.
None.
None.
None.
None.
Build stormwater detention ponds and controls to help mitigate damage from flood events which occur with regularity in this area, i.e. "Fall line".
I would prefer the widening of the existing bridge. However, in widening, on both sides, we have to build two new bridges. It is a costly matter. It may be better to build a new bridge south of the existing bridge and make use of both bridges for one-way traffic in each direction. More land may be available at the south side on both states.
None.
Great job with the posters. You're off to a good start.
Double deck for thru traffic would reduce grades – reduce truck power brake and shifting gears – also reduce stopping distance in winter a/c no down grade.
Add a welcome center and rest stop in New Jersey.

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Please take sound reading on our riverbank where we eat many meals, read, relax, etc. The noise reflects off the water and is much worse than up on the road. Can you add noise abatement panels on bridge?
Not at this time.
I am concerned that noise levels will increase up to two limits permitted government. I would consider it a goal to maintain current levels at all costs.
Provide information and off ramp scenarios if an additional bridge is to be built.
None.
None.
Provide access to wes/park copies of aerial maps.
None.
None.
Whatever is built, please include a pedestrian/bicycle facility.
Do some P.R. – very factual tonight – very helpful conversational structure. Low key and defusing. Thanks.
Please evaluate the amount of noise we already suffer with – your draft appear defective. What happened to issues PA had about the creek @ Highland Avenue – Taylorsville Road? Creek could not be disturbed due to wildlife issue. Who is working with this issue?
Interested in mitigation for noise and other adverse impact on Delaware Canal – also access issues to canal and any achievements document. Very interested in EA or EIS and FHWA decision.
None.
Build it as big as you can!
None.
None.
Stop building houses.
None.
None.
None.
None.

<b>13. Do you have any other suggestion regarding the I-95/Scudder Falls Bridge improvements?</b>
None.
None.
Consider noise barriers when needed!
Access ramp off Taylorsville Road to NJ? Storm water run-off into Hillwood Terrace. Sound barriers.
<b>lemy, Ewing, NJ</b>
Yes, consideration for residents property, well-fair and general overall environment. A sound barrier, whether is a wall, brume, or whatever.
Make on ramps as safe as possible.
None.
Please consider noise impact on homeowners – our property values are at stake!
None.
Where is 35% increase of traffic (projected in 2030) coming from. I would like to see twps. Figures/projections (a detailed regional growth plan, where are new housing developments, airport expansion, industrial use). Concern about noise & don't want Taylorsville Road to get additional traffic/noise (already too much!!).
Expand on the north side in PA, south side in NJ.
None.
Double deck bridge.
Number one priority is protect the rights of existing property owners. The second is reduce noise levels.
To relieve congestion on the Scudder Falls Bridge, would it be feasible to rebuild the old Yardley Bridge, and/or build a bridge connecting the major highways east of Trenton?
None.
Noise barriers on the bridge and on both sides of the approaches (north and south) must be built.
Since I live just north of the bridge I do want the expansion on the south side.
Build another bridge or alternative routes.
Major improvements necessary to improve safety at interchanges.
When will you know if you are going north or south? I'll be at the next meeting.
None.
Mail newsletters/info to all residents within the affected areas. This will reduce the protests after the fact.
None.

<b>13. Do you have any other suggestion regarding the I-95/Scudder Falls Bridge improvements?</b>
Start the bridge and widening.
None.
Off-ramp southbound is the worst engineering disaster ever created. Can you please find a way to make that safe?
None.