



For immediate release:

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Advisory: New Bedford

I-195 Viaduct Bridge Structure Demolition Work

Work starting at 7:00 a.m., Monday, February 2, and continuing for approximately 30 days

Traffic impacts including lane shifts and closures will occur depending upon operations

NEW BEDFORD – The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is announcing that crews and contractors will be conducting demolition work to remove the I-195 viaduct bridge structure in New Bedford, beginning at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, February 2, and continuing for approximately 30 days.

As part of these operations, crews will also be conducting nightly work from Sunday, February 8, through Thursday, February 19, from 9:00 p.m., to 5:00 a.m. the following morning, not including Friday and Saturday.

Traffic impacts will include lane shifts and closures on Route 18, Cedar Grove Street, County Street, and Purchase Street. Impacts will vary as work progresses and operations shift.

Appropriate signage will be in place to guide drivers through the work area. Drivers traveling through the area should expect delays, reduce speed, and use caution.

This work is part of the I-195/ Route 18 Interchange Rehabilitation Project in New Bedford. For more information on the project please visit: <https://www.mass.gov/route-i-195-to-route-18-interchange-rehabilitation-in-new-bedford>.

All scheduled work is weather dependent and subject to change without notice.

For more information on traffic conditions, travelers are encouraged to:

- Download the Mass511 mobile app or visit www.mass511.com to view live cameras, travel times, real time traffic conditions, and project information before setting out on the road. Users can subscribe to receive text and email alerts for traffic conditions.
- Dial 511 and select a route to hear real time conditions.
- Follow @MassDOT on X (formerly known as Twitter) to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.

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