



I-95/CPR FACT SHEET

Interstate 95 Section CPR - Cottman Avenue Interchange Improvement Project *City of Philadelphia*

Project Overview

PennDOT began construction in fall 2012 on the largest individual construction contract in PennDOT history, a \$212.3 million contract to rebuild and improve Interstate 95 and its interchange at Cottman Avenue (Route 73) in Northeast Philadelphia.

The record-setting project is the second stage of the two-stage program to improve travel through the I-95/Cottman Avenue Interchange by building new ramps, upgrading local streets and providing a continuous fourth travel lane in each direction on the interstate. The project addresses critical roadway, bridge and utility infrastructure needs at this heavily-traveled interchange to provide motorists with smoother travel for years ahead.

PennDOT awarded the low-bid \$212,325,000 contract to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC of Canonsburg, Pa. The contract is financed with 90 percent federal and 10 percent state funds.

Major construction is scheduled to finish in spring 2017.

PennDOT's contractor is:

- Rebuilding 1.4 miles of I-95 between Levick Street and Bleigh Avenue;
- Replacing seven structurally deficient bridges on the interstate and widening another;
- Building a new on-ramp to southbound I-95 from Cottman Avenue (Route 73);
- Upgrading three existing ramps;
- Extending Princeton Avenue east to Milnor Street;
- Reconstructing New State Road;
- Building 13 retaining walls;
- Replacing an 84-inch diameter water main and a 10.5-foot-high by 10.5-foot-wide sewer box culvert along Wissinoming Street; and
- Installing storm water drainage pipes and Intelligent Transportation System equipment.

This operation follows the \$34 million improvement project that PennDOT completed in 2012 at the I-95/Cottman Avenue Interchange. In this first stage of construction, crews built two new ramps and



improved Cottman Avenue, Princeton Avenue and State Road to move traffic to and from I-95 in a manner that enhances the Tacony neighborhood. Construction began in 2009.

The average daily traffic volume on I-95 at the Cottman Avenue Interchange (Route 73) is 150,000.

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