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ConnDOT Plans to Have Merritt Parkway Signs Replaced in 2018

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The Connecticut Department of Transportation is developing plans to replace the highway signs and their support structures on a 38.3-mile stretch of the Merritt Parkway from the Connecticut/New York border in Greenwich to the Stratford/Milford town line.

— [an announcement](#) from the Connecticut Department of Transportation

“This project is necessary because of the age, condition and structural integrity of these signs and their support systems— some of which have little remaining reflectivity and are literally falling apart after 20 years along the roadway,” said ConnDOT Commissioner James P. Redeker.

“This creates a safety issue, not to mention an inconvenience and distraction for motorists. As part of our ongoing asset management program, we are constantly evaluating the condition of all of our highways, bridges and ancillary structures. This project is a direct result of those efforts.”

Replacement of the highway signing will consist of removing and replacing existing overhead, side-mounted, post-mounted, and variable message signs (including one in Orange on the Wilbur Cross parkway) using some of the existing sign supports, as well as many new support structures. Ramp signing will also be included for removal and replacement on new sign supports.

See also:

- [Merritt Pkwy Improvements Project Restarts Monday, with Nighttime Lane & Ramp Closures](#) (April 14)

The present schedule calls for the design plans to be available in June 2017. The work will begin in the spring of 2018 and be completed later that year, with an anticipated to cost about \$6 million (100 percent federally funded).

Towns affected by the project are, north to south, Orange, Milford, Stratford, Trumbull, Fairfield, Westport, Norwalk, New Canaan, Stamford and Greenwich.

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