

Emergency Repairs to Close Bayberry Lane Bridge Over Aspetuck River

Westport Public Works Director Steve Edwards announced today emergency repairs to the Bayberry Lane Bridge over the Aspetuck River will close the bridge for two to four weeks beginning July 10.

He said a recent routine state inspection discovered significant structural deficiencies due to scour from recent storm events. Scour is [sediment](#) such as [sand](#) and [rocks](#) that swiftly moving water removes from the base of [bridge abutments](#), eventually compromising the integrity of a structure.

Edwards said an underwater inspection of the bridge confirmed that repairs needed to be made as soon as possible.

“The bridge is not unsafe to cross, but we want to get the work done as soon as possible before schools resume in the fall,” he said.

He said the closure will be especially inconvenient for area residents since there is already a closure nearby on the North Avenue Bridge over the Aspetuck River where work is under way on a six-month deck replacement.

Bayberry Lane Extension where the bridge is located is a cut-through from Easton Road in Westport to Lyons Plains Road in Weston. Drivers will be routed via Coleytown Road, westward to the intersection of Coleytown Road and Lyons Plains Road to get around the closure, Edwards said.