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## **MassDOT: Andover – Route 28 Bridge Replacement Project**

**Night work begins Monday, August 6**

**Traffic patterns changing on Thursday, August 9**

**ANDOVER** – The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) has announced that on Monday, August 6, night work will begin on the project to replace the bridge on Route 28 (North Main Street) in Andover that carries traffic over the MBTA Railroad. The hours each weeknight will be 9 p.m., through 5 a.m., for the next six weeks, and will enable crews to carry out construction operations.

Additionally, on Thursday, August 9, the current traffic pattern will be shifted from Phase 1 to Phase 2. During this interim traffic condition, the dedicated left turn lane from Route 28 north onto Railroad Avenue will be temporarily removed. This traffic shift will enable crews to carry out work including paving and roadway realignment, and this phase of work that is requiring the traffic shift is expected to be completed by the beginning of September 2018.

As with every project, work is being carried out in ways that limit impacts on the local community and traveling public. This work is one component of an \$8.5 million bridge replacement project that is scheduled to be completed in 2019.

Signs and traffic control devices will be used to guide drivers through this area. MassDOT encourages drivers to reduce speed and allow for extra time through this area. All work is weather dependent and is subject to change without notice.

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

- Dial 511 and select a route to hear real-time conditions.
- Visit [www.mass511.com](http://www.mass511.com), a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions.
- Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.
- Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

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