



Mixmaster Rehabilitation

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The Mixmaster Rehabilitation project is into its 37th month. A summary of recent activities include:

Route 8 Northbound (Bridge 3190A):

- Existing deck demo completed.
- Stage 2/3 deck forming and rebar installation continues from south to north.
- Stage 2/3 deck concrete placement continues, span #1 - span #5 complete, 12 spans remaining.
- Structural steel repairs continue.
- Class S Concrete sub-structure repairs continue.

Route 8 Southbound (Bridge 3190B):

- Stage 2 deck and parapet forming and rebar installation continues from south to north.
- Stage 2 deck concrete placement continues, span #1 – span #16 complete, 5 spans remaining.
- Structural steel repairs continue.
- Class S Concrete sub-structure repairs continue.

I-84 Eastbound (Bridge 3191A):

- Moveable barrier extended for long term closure of the Exit 21 off-ramp.
- Deck End reconstruction continues at several piers in the right lane.
- Full and partial depth patching continues between the Highland Avenue on-ramp and the Exit 21 off-ramp.
- Structural steel repairs continue.
- Class S concrete sub-structure repairs continue.

I-84 Eastbound (Bridge 3190C)

- Exit 31 remains closed.
- Began jacking the bridge for bearing replacement.

I-84 Westbound (Bridge 3191B):

- Right lane remains closed, scheduled to be re-opened by July 4th weekend.
- Continue deck end reconstruction in right and center lane.
- Continue parapet modifications and parapet cap reconstruction.
- Structural steel repairs continue.
- Class S concrete sub-structure repairs continue.

Route 8 Southbound (Bridge 3191D):

- Ramp remains in Stage 2 configuration.
- Deck end reconstruction complete.
- Full and partial depth deck patching continues.
- Class S concrete sub-structure repairs continue.

I-84 Westbound (Bridge 3191E):

- Prep work underway to change traffic from Stage 1 to Stage 2 configuration.

Route 8 Northbound (Bridge 3190F):

- Exit 33 remains closed.
- Deck end reconstruction complete.
- Full and partial depth deck patching continue.
- Class S concrete sub-structure repairs continue.

I-84 Westbound Auxiliary Lane:

- Soil borings complete.
- Existing gas line test pits complete.

Student Spotlight

Blaine, Age 12

West Side School, Waterbury, CT

The Story of Cone Man



He was just a wee little cone, smaller than every other cone.

He wanted to grow up and be a big cone like all the others.

All the drivers drove past him and ignored him. Speeding past him, some would hit him.

When he saw the big cones go up there, he got sad some of the big cones would get stolen or destroyed.

Cone Man's father went to stop traffic one day and never came back home.

He got the news that his father got hit and died. Cone Man was so mad.

He wanted justice for his father so he started working out and getting stronger.

Then, one day, he was on the back of a Walsh truck and he fell off into a toxic lake.

Nobody noticed that he went missing.

After spending two weeks in that toxic river, he grew legs and arms and he ate garbage.

Then he went out looking for a sign and he found one. Then he went out looking for armor and he found some.

Now he stands where his father got hit and he stops speeders and busts the outlaws and gets justice for his father.

The End.

Go Orange Day – Work Zone Safety Week

On Wednesday, April 28, 2021, the entire Mixmaster Rehabilitation project team got together to commemorate “Go Orange day” which is part of International Work Zone Safety Week. This is the time of the year that reminds motorists to stay alert while driving in construction work zones. Organizations around the country took the time to promote work zone safety by wearing orange in honor and support of all highway workers. Pictures were shared across social media to spread awareness. This year’s theme was **Drive Safe. Work Safe. Save Lives!!**



“The only way we can make work zones safer is to warn the traveling public of the risks to us and even themselves if they are involved in a work zone accident.”

David Ferraro
Project Engineer, CTDOT

Connecticut				
2019		2020		2021
Crashes	Deaths	Crashes	Deaths	Crashes (as of March)
1079	6	880	4	66

The above statistics for Connecticut are eye opening. In 2019, there were a total of 842 fatalities in work zone crashes across the country. Of those 842 deaths 690 were the drivers or passengers in the vehicle and 135 were highway workers. This is the reason people need to slow down and not drive distracted in work zones. The life you save may be your own.

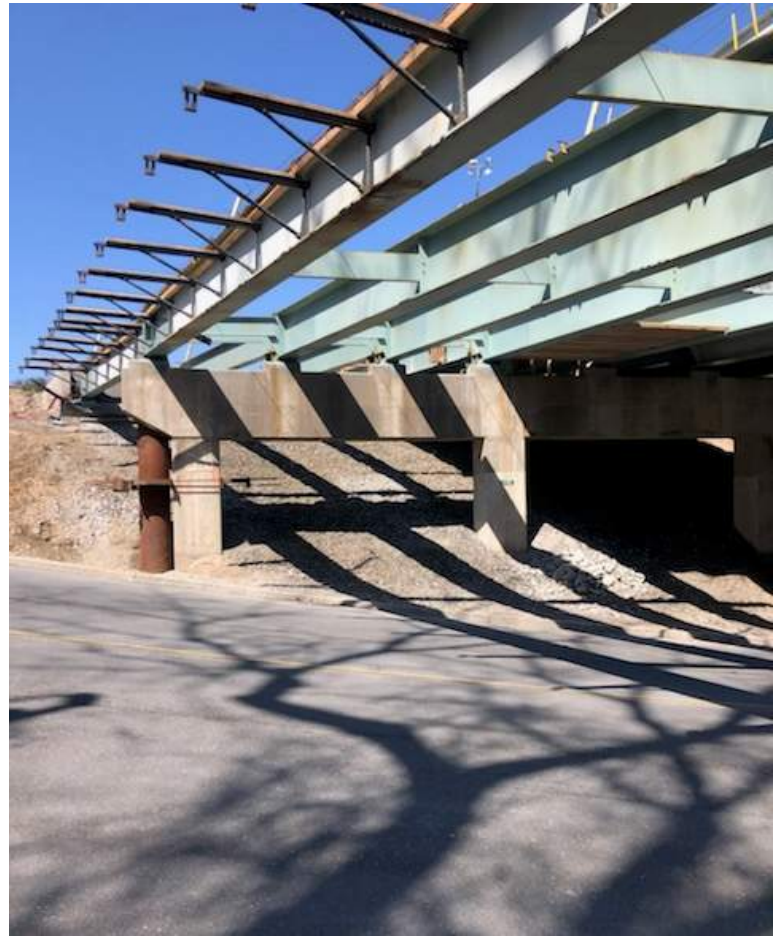
The only way we can make work zones safer is to warn the traveling public of the risks to our team and even themselves if they are involved in a work zone accident. Please take some time and spread the word to family and friends of the importance of safety. Every single construction worker deserves to go home safely to their family every day.



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