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New Bridges over Pa. Turnpike (I-276) in Bucks County now Open to Traffic  
Bristol-Oxford Valley and Galloway Road Bridges completed on schedule.

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission announced that the new bridges carrying Bristol-Oxford Valley Road (State Route 2029) and Galloway Road (State Route 2023) over the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-276) in Bucks County officially opened to traffic today, Nov. 4 at 3 p.m.

Part of the Pennsylvania Turnpike/Interstate 95 Interchange Project, the first stage of construction required the two overhead bridges, originally built in 1957, to be lengthened to accommodate the future highway-speed link to I-95.

The Bristol-Oxford Valley Road structure in Bristol Township is a pre-stressed concrete beam bridge; the Galloway Road structure in Bensalem Township is a steel bridge with an ashlar stone architectural treatment. The main supports (abutments) of the new structures have been moved farther apart and a new support (pier) constructed in the median. The new bridges now include two 12-foot wide travel lanes and 8-foot wide shoulders. A pedestrian sidewalk was added on the east side of the Galloway Road Bridge.

James J. Anderson Construction Co., Philadelphia, was awarded the \$9.7 million Turnpike-funded contract to replace the bridges on Sept. 7, 2010 and constructed both bridges simultaneously. The bridges are located between the Bensalem (Exit #351) and Delaware Valley (Exit #358) Interchange. The new wider structures were built on their current alignment to allow for the future widening of the Turnpike mainline underneath requiring both roads to be closed and detoured, Bristol-Oxford Valley on Oct. 25 2010 and Galloway on Nov. 15 2010.

Future projects associated with the I-95 Interchange Connector are scheduled to begin sometime in 2012 and 2013. This includes two overhead bridges (2012-13) Richlieu Road (State Route 2035) and Ford Road (State Route 2192) (2012-13); construction of a new Turnpike mainline toll plaza (2013-15); and the restoration of three acres of wetland and streams. Additionally, work will continue on the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) which includes: closed circuit television cameras, dynamic message signs, a traffic-flow detection system, and connecting existing systems throughout the I-95 project corridor.

Information on future bridge construction, ITS, detour routes, mainline toll plaza construction, project staging and travel advisories is available at [www.paturnpikei95.com](http://www.paturnpikei95.com) by clicking on the construction home tab.

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