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## TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 5:30 pm AGENDA

THE MEETING CAN BE ACCESSED AT http://www.tinyurl.com/LVPC2025 OR VIA PHONE 610-477-5793 Conf ID: 651 626 091#.

### **Roll Call**

#### Courtesy of the Floor

#### **Old Business**

- 1. INFORMATION ITEMS: Metropolitan Transportation Plan: Data Updates, including land use, congestion, safety
  - a. Population and Employment Projections Update (SK)
  - b. Congestion Management Process Update (SK)
- 2. INFORMATION ITEM: Lehigh County Industrial Land Use Guide Update (BB)
  - a. Municipal Industrial Land Use Workshop: October 15 5:30 -7:00 pm at LVPC Large Conference Room
- INFORMATION ITEM: US Route 22: Mobility, Safety and Congestion Management Plan (BB)

## **New Business**

- 1. ACTION ITEM: Street Vacation Request Salisbury Township (BB)
- 2. INFORMATION ITEM: Truck Parking Study Implementation (BB)

#### **Status Reports**

- 1. INFORMATION ITEM: PennDOT Highway Project Status Report
- 2. INFORMATION ITEMS: Highway Performance Monitoring System
  - a. Monthly Traffic Count Report
  - b. 3rd Quarter Traffic Count Report

## **Adjournment**

### **Next Transportation Committee Meeting:**

Virtual Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 5:30 pm



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October 16, 2025

Kerry Rabold Planning & Zoning Officer Salisbury Township 2900 South Pike Avenue Allentown PA 18103 krabold@salisburylehighpa.gov

**RE:** Street Vacation Petition

Portion of unopened E. Trout Street between S. Gilmore Street. and S. Halstead

Salisbury Township, Lehigh County

The Lehigh Valley Planning Commission (LVPC) will consider the subject street vacation petition at its Transportation Planning Committee and Full Commission meetings, pursuant to the requirements of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC). Discussion on agenda items largely happens during the Committee meeting. Both meetings were virtual, and held on:

- LVPC Transportation Planning Committee Meeting
  - o October 24, 2025 at 5:30 PM
- LVPC Full Commission Meeting
  - o October 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Ms. Rabold,

The proposed street vacation petition was reviewed for recommendations under Section 304 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, and for general consistency with the goals, policies and actions of *FutureLV: The Regional Plan*.

The proposed street vacation application was submitted by Salisbury Township on behalf of Victor Santiago of 710 E. Wayne Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103. The proposed request to vacate the rights of way for a portion of unopened E. Trout St. between S. Gilmore Street and S. Halstead St. in the Township. The petitioner currently has ownership of property on the North side of the area of rights of way for E. Trout Street. The petitioner has also received agreement from the surrounding property owners of:

- 702 E. Wayne Avenue
- 2019 S. Gilmore Street
- 726 E. Wayne Avenue
- 2030 S. Halstead Street

These properties abut the E. Trout Street rights of way.

The proposed location does not have any infrastructure currently built and has existing property including an in-ground pool and fencing in the rights of way as shown in the Vacation Exhibit provided by the township. The proposed location is in a residential area connected to the existing streets of S. Gilmore St. and S. Halstead St. Both are low-volume roads and are posted as No Outlet, Dead-End Streets.



Aerial view of the area petitioned to be vacated in red, courtesy of Google Maps



View of area petitioned to be vacated from S. Gilmore St. in red, also showing utility pole, courtesy of Google Maps

If the petition is granted by Salisbury Township, it is recommended that the utilities intersecting the proposed street vacation remain accessible in the event of maintenance or repair. This ensures maintenance of essential power, telecommunications, emergency services or other utilities required to sustain the public health, safety and welfare of the community. It is also recommended that any emergency access to utilities and to access properties be maintained to ensure proper response by emergency services personnel. Both utility and emergency services needs and access related to this street vacation petition support *FutureLV: The Regional Plan* policy 5.1 to "Promote safe and secure community design and emergency management".

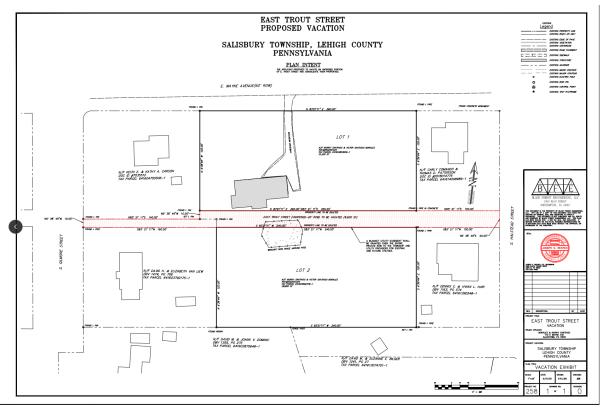
The LVPC appreciates Salisbury Township's consideration of the goals and policies of *FutureLV: The Regional Plan* related to the street vacation petition for a portion of E. Trout St. In this case, the petition appears to support the use of underutilized property generally (*FutureLV* Policy 5.4).

It is also recommended that if the township grants the petition to vacate, that the township communicate with and notify the LVPC of the potential change. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the LVPC review.

Evan Gardi

Transportation Planner

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Street Vacation Exhibit Engineering Plan, Courtesy of Salisbury Township



Area petitioned to be vacated, courtesy of Lehigh County GIS

## LEHIGH VALLEY TRANSPORTATION STUDY HIGHWAY STATUS REPORT **MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2025**

US 22, Section WDN Widening (C-C. Frey)

Whitehall, South Whitehall, and Hanover Townships, and City of Bethlehem Lehigh County; Hanover Township, Northampton County

MPMS 96384 - est. let N/A

- Revised Preliminary POA submitted September 2, 2025, and circulated for District review
- Preliminary Noise Analysis is being revised to current project limit just west of Airport Road and break-out project strategies discussed with CO and FHWA as well as the 2058 design year noted above, supplement in process for design year change
- FHWA has recently indicated that a streamlined Environmental Assessment is no longer warranted, allowing the project to be cleared under a Categorical Exclusion Evaluation, Level 2. While community engagement and public involvement are still required, a public hearing does not need to be held in conjunction with the project's environmental clearance process
- Design team continuing work to identify community leaders in preparation of public involvement process
- Upon environmental clearance, US 22 Widening will be advanced via a series of breakout projects. First breakout project will be SR 22/Fullerton Interchange (MPMS 117610) anticipated to be let in April 2030

SR 145, Section MLT 7th Street Multimodal Corridor (C-M. McGuire) City of Allentown and Whitehall Township, Lehigh County MPMS 99697 – est. let April 1, 2027

Final Design is being delayed aligning with funding, currently programmed in FFY 2026

## SR 309, Section 14M Betterment (C-M. Fallon) North and South Whitehall Townships, Lehigh County MPMS 102312 – est. let January 15, 2026

- NPDES permit resubmitted to LCCD May 6, 2025
- JPA permit resubmitted to DEP March 26, 2025; remaining comment received and June 3, 2025, is to include NPDES approval
- Traffic Control Plans resubmitted September 12, 2025
- Railroad coordination ongoing
- Signing Plans and Pavement Marking Plan resubmitted; revised plan expected by the end of September
- Final Plan Check submitted; revised plan expected by the end of September
- Right-of-Way Acquisition process ongoing
- Utility coordination is ongoing

## SR 378, Section 04M SR 378 Lighting (M. Patel)

City of Bethlehem, Lehigh County MPMS 110398 – est. let April 1, 2027

- - 901-Specs MPT approved by Traffic June 13, 2025, being reviewed by construction
  - Utility coordination is ongoing
  - Coordination has begun with PPL for power supply
  - Continue advancing Final Lighting Plans and Report
  - Preparing lighting agreement

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SR 1017, Section 02S Mauch Chunk Signal Improvements (C-M. McGuire) South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County MPMS 110174 – est. let December 4, 2025

- Right of way acquisition is nearly complete
- Utility clearance was issued on September 4, 2025
- Final Traffic Signal plans have been signed
- Designer is preparing the PS&E package

# SR 22, Section 15M SR 22/SR 191 Interchange Improvements (C-M. McGuire) Bethlehem Township, Northampton County MPMS 117606 – est. let April 1, 2030

- Working on public involvement plan
- Continuing to refine draft alternatives

## SR 191, Section 04S SR 191 Lower Nazareth Intersection Improvements (C-R. Himmelwright) Lower Nazareth Township, Northampton County MPMS 116936 – est. let January 14, 2027

- Final Design NTP September 16, 2025
- Utility Coordination Ongoing
- Working towards NPDES permit application
- Working towards SEPS
- Final ROW Plan Development

# SR 248, Section 07S SR 248/Airport Road Intersection Improvements (C-M. McGuire) East Allen Township, Northampton County MPMS 120952 – est. let March 23, 2028

• Draft alternative analysis has been submitted for Department review

# SR 2018, Section 02S Freemansburg Ave (SR 2018) Safety Improvements (C-J. Besz) Bethlehem Township, Northampton County MPMS 117509 – est. let July 16, 2026

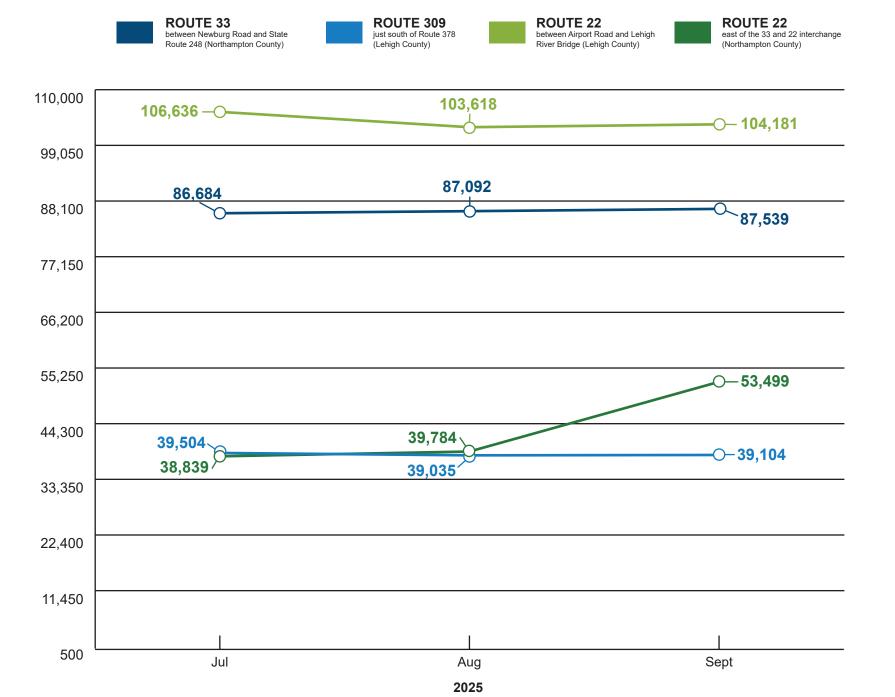
- Utility coordination continues
- Subsurface Utility Engineering investigations were conducted and completed
- Final ROW plans were approved and submitted for signature
- Preparation of the stormwater management/drainage design and the Individual NPDES Permit application continues
- The 60% Constructability Review was submitted

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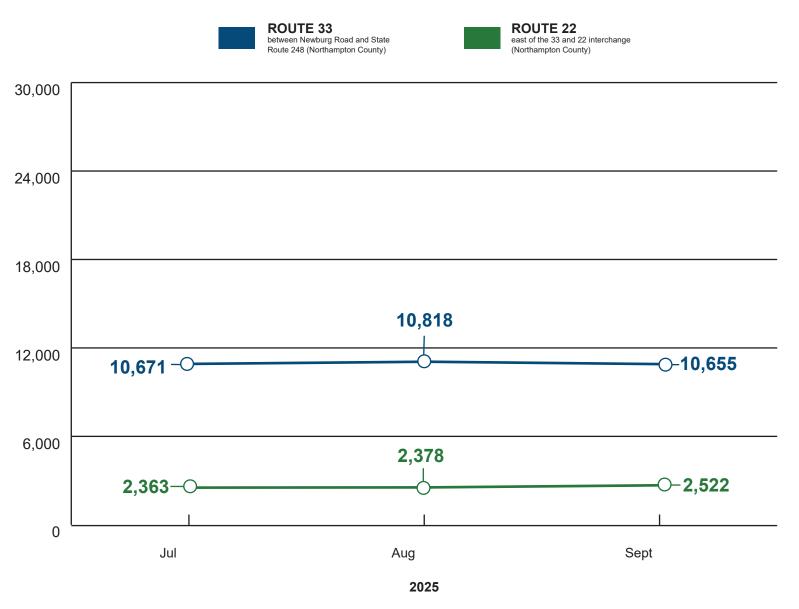
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ACRONYM REFERENCE	
ACM/LBP	ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIAL / LEAD BASED PAINT
ADA	AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT
BRPA	BRIDGE AND ROADWAY PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT
CE	CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
CEE	CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION EVALUATION
СО	CENTRAL OFFICE
CRP	CULTURAL RESOURCES PROFESSIONAL
DCNR	DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DEP	DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DFV	DESIGN FIELD VIEW
DO	DISTRICT OFFICE
E&S	EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION
EJ	ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
ESA	ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
FD	FINAL DESIGN
FHWA	FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
Н&Н	HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC
HOP	HIGHWAY OCCUPANCY PERMIT
HRSF	HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
JD	JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION
JPA	JOINT PERMIT AGREEMENT
L&G	LINE AND GRADE
LCCD	LEHIGH COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
LGTS	LINE, GRADE AND TYPICAL SECTION
LOMR	LETTER OF MAP REVISION
MPT	MAINTENANCE AND PROTECTION OF TRAFFIC
NCCD	NORTHAMPTON COUNT CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOITE	NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER
NPDES	NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM
NTP	NOTICE TO PROCEED
PE	PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING
PHMC	PA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
PNDI	PENNSYLVANIA NATURAL DIVERSITY INVENTORY
POA	POINT OF ACCESS
PS&E	PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATE
ROW	RIGHT OF WAY
RSGER	RECONNAISSANCE SOILS AND GEOLOGICAL ENGINEERING REPORT
SEPS	SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION PLANNING SUBMISSION
SFV	SCOPE AND FIELD VIEW
SHPO	STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
SPMP	SIGNING AND PAVEMENT MARKING PLAN
SUE	SUBSURFACE UTILITY ENGINEERING
T&E	THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES COORDINATION
TCP	TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN
TIF	TECHNICALLY INFEASIBILITY FORM
TIP	TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
TS&L	TYPE, SIZE AND LOCATION
USFWS	UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

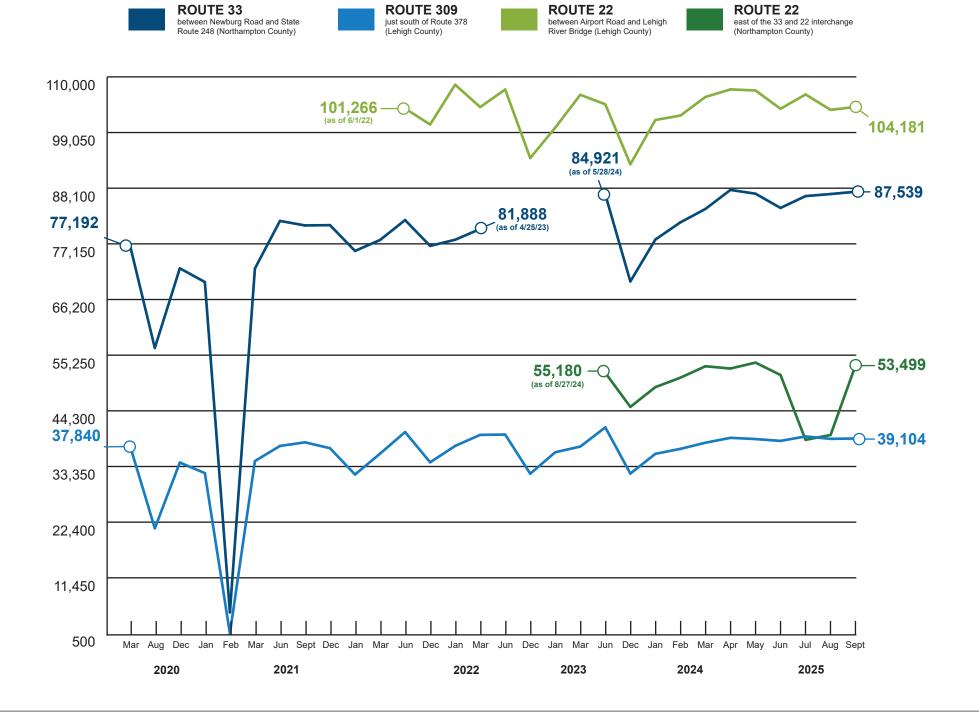
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