Champlain Hudson Power Express Announces Reopening of Farley Bridge

Resumption of traffic allows for the removal of the Lowland Hill detour and will ease traffic congestion while construction work is completed

Stony Point, NY — The Champlain Hudson Power Express (CHPE) today announced that traffic access on the James Farley Bridge in Stony Point resumed on Monday, October 20.

The return of traffic across the bridge allows for the removal of the Lowland Hill detour, as well as the alternate truck route through the Village of West Haverstraw. Motorists are urged to pay close attention to posted signage and observe all speed limits. As part of the CHPE's permitting process, Department of Transportation engineers and inspectors, along with third-party engineers and inspectors, have been on-site daily, and confirmed the Farley Bridge is safe and ready for normal operations.

"CHPE extends its continued appreciation to the North Rockland community and elected leaders for their patience during this significant period of construction," said Jennifer Laird-White, Senior Vice President of External Affairs for Transmission Developers. "We are also grateful to our construction teams for their continued efforts to adapt work plans and traffic configurations in response to feedback from elected officials, residents, and local businesses. The reopening of the James Farley Bridge as we approach completion of all CHPE installation work along 9W is a significant milestone and we look forward to project operation next spring."

Nightwork will continue along 9W for the next two weeks, with crews focused on backfill of excavations and asphalt work, as well as culvert repair. In addition, CHPE's work to relocate selected gas piping is more than 50% complete. That work will continue into December with a possible pause for winter, and subsequent resumption in the spring of 2026.

All remaining CHPE transmission cable installation will occur on private parcels in Rockland County and is expected to be completed by the end of 2025. The CHPE project team will continue to provide updates on the status of final CHPE work through local media and our regular newsletter updates.

Once all work is complete in 2026, CHPE will perform a full mill and curb-to-curb repaving, along with any necessary drainage work, on Route 9W.

As part of its commitment to the community, CHPE is providing \$9 million in streetscape improvement funding to the towns and villages to benefit business districts along Route 9W. The town of Stony Point, along with the villages of Haverstraw and West Haverstraw, will begin implementing new CHPE-funded 9W streetscape designs later next year.

In addition to the creation of a \$31 million Rockland Community Benefit Fund, which includes the \$9 million for a new streetscape design in Stony Point, CHPE is already delivering significant short and long-term benefits to Rockland County. These benefits include:

 \$22 million for new capital projects that will be selected by local leaders in the Towns of Clarkstown, Haverstraw and Stony Point and the Villages of West Haverstraw and Haverstraw.

- \$295 million in taxes paid to the host communities, school districts and County over the first 30 years of the project's operation.
- \$167 million in tax payments over the first 30 years to the North Rockland Central School District, including \$4 million in the first year alone.
- \$2 million in funding that helped establish full day kindergarten for the North Rockland School District.
- \$900,000 in separate funding to the North Rockland Central School District for the transportation impacts resulting from construction.
- Approximately \$500,000 in community expenditures have been made to local not-for-profits and businesses that serve the Rockland community include educational programming for young people, jobs training programs to create paths to union jobs, STEM education programs, local basketball leagues, community events and recreational activities. The project also regularly purchases meals for hundreds of CHPE workers from local restaurants along 9W.

For those with construction concerns, CHPE has a hotline (800) 991-CHPE (2473) and an email address (publicoutreach@chpexpress.com), as well as a Rockland specific newsletter that is published monthly to provide residents and businesses with construction updates. Residents can sign up for that newsletter here.

About the Champlain Hudson Power Express

CHPE involves the construction of an underground and underwater transmission line spanning approximately 339 miles between the Canada–U.S. border and New York City.

CHPE will also provide competitively priced hydropower from Québec that is expected to lower climate emissions and local air pollutants, as well as electricity generation costs throughout the state by \$17 billion over the first 25 years of operation, all the while providing increased reliability and resiliency for the downstate grid. The project also provides a total of \$3.5 billion in economic benefits to New Yorkers and creates approximately 1,400 family-sustaining jobs during construction, with a commitment to use union labor. CHPE will provide an economic boost to 73 municipalities and 59 school districts throughout New York State with an increase in incremental tax revenue of \$1.4 billion in funding for local communities over the first 25 years of the project.