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**BACK IN BUSINESS**

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Construction work in Bound Brook Borough is now back in full swing.

In case you had not heard, the first construction for the new and higher bridge to connect East Main Street, Bound Brook, with Lincoln Boulevard in Middlesex Borough, suffered a glitch at the end of March.

The Contractor could not proceed with demolition of the old bridge until all of the wires and pipes and cables were removed from the old bridge.

**LIGHTS AND PHONES AND FAUCETS MUST BE KEPT WORKING**

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Beginning many years ago, utility wires and pipes were installed within the old bridge. Hundreds of telephones in that vicinity depend upon wires running through the old bridge.

Sewer service for thousands of Middlesex County residents passes very close to the old bridge.

Telephone lines, cable lines, electrical power lines have expanded in the area over the years, and many of them were attached to the old bridge.

**THE PROBLEM IS SOLVED**

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With nine utility companies involved, plus the Federal government, the State government, two County governments, and two Municipal governments involved in this first construction, the problem of utilities was complex.

All of these had to be removed from the old bridge before demolition could begin.

All of the utilities had to be temporarily placed elsewhere so that service would not be interrupted.

And finally, all of the utilities will have to be reinstalled permanently on the new bridge.

It has been a complex situation, and required some high level cooperation.

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO MADE IT HAPPEN**

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The decisions about responsibility for moving all of these utilities took a while to sort out. This is only the first of many construction contracts for the Green Brook Flood Control Project.

Decisions made on this first phase will be important for the many future construction contracts, over the next decade or so.

Fortunately, the responsible officials in Trenton were able to bring all the pieces together and reach a solution.

The Commission sends particular thanks to Bob Shinn, Commissioner of the NJDEP, Assistant Commissioner Cari Wild, and Jeffrey Michaels of the Governor's Office.

New Jersey Attorney General John J. Farmer played a pivotal role. Assistant Attorney General Lawrence Stanley, and Deputy Attorney General Brian Weeks were an important part of the process.

Edwin Selover, Vice President of Public Service Electric & Gas was crucially important to the successful outcome.

Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger, in his own quiet and professional way, was very effective in bringing about the final solution.

**ONE MORE THANK YOU**

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There is one more State official to whom we owe great thanks: Bernie Moore.

Bernie Moore has been New Jersey's "point man" on the Green Brook Flood Control Project since it's very beginning.

Bernie Moore has been intimately involved with the Green Brook Flood Control Project longer than any other government official, Federal or State.

Bernie has quietly and effectively worked with the Green Brook Flood Control Commission since its beginning many years ago.

And, as with so many other situations, Bernie Moore's knowledge and quiet efforts have contributed immensely to this most recent success.