



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Distribution

**FROM:** Jay Jaber, P.E.  
Assistant Commissioner

**DATE:** September 9, 2021

**SUBJECT: 2021 HOLIDAY CONSTRUCTION EMBARGO-AMENDMENT #1**

A special Holiday Construction Embargo shall be in effect from 6AM to 11:59PM starting **Monday, November 15, 2021** through **Sunday, January 2, 2022**.

As a result, all routine work shall be suspended during the embargo period unless approval for the work is granted by the New York City Department of Transportation's (NYCDOT) Office of Construction Mitigation and Coordination (OCMC). Such suspension shall not apply to emergency work for which an emergency number is obtained by the permittee pursuant to the provisions of section 2-11 of NYCDOT's Highway Rules.

It shall be a violation of NYCDOT's Highway Rules to perform any work on the street during this embargo period without the prior approval of OCMC or the receipt of an emergency number. NYCDOT will strictly enforce this embargo and violators are subject to penalties.

A list of the affected locations and the conditions for this embargo is attached. A map of the affected locations is available on NYCDOT's website at: <http://gis.nyc.gov/doitt/nycitymap/template?applicationName=DOT>

**This policy supersedes any and all previously issued policies regarding NYCDOT's Holiday Construction Embargo.**

**CITY OF NEW YORK**  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**OFFICE OF CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION AND COORDINATION**  
**55 Water Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Fl.**  
**New York, New York 10041**

**2021 HOLIDAY CONSTRUCTION EMBARGO**

A special Holiday Construction Embargo (HE) shall be in effect from 6AM to 11:59PM starting **Monday, November 15, 2021** through **Sunday, January 2, 2022**. Roadway and sidewalk construction activities will be restricted during the embargo period on the streets listed below. Permit requests for construction activities during Holiday Embargo period should only be submitted for critical reasons for a specific project.

Any permits issued prior to the date of this notice, for work during this embargo period on the streets listed below which do not already have the HE permit stipulation “410” are hereby suspended for the period noted above. All permittees must comply with this embargo unless a special permission is granted by OCMC.

Prior to this embargo period all necessary measures must be taken so that all roadways and sidewalks are in proper condition to allow for the expeditious and safe movement of vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic.

The opening of utility access covers is prohibited on any of the streets noted below between the hours of 6:00 AM and midnight except in cases of emergency where the utility or contractor must first obtain an Emergency Authorization Number as required by section 2-07 of NYCDOT’s Highway Rules. The planned opening of utility access covers may occur during the hours of 12:01AM and 5:59AM where no authorization number is required.

As of August 31, 2017, a new Holiday Embargo (HE) review process has replaced the previously used HE waiver request process used by NYCSTREETS. During the application process, the NYCSTREETS system will automatically identify cases which require additional HE review, and processes them accordingly.

If a permit application includes permit requests to work on embargoed streets within 90 days prior to the start of the HE (**November 15, 2021**), the permittee will be presented with a warning, during the application process, stating that such permit request(s) will be subject to the upcoming HE. If work is planned through the HE period, the critical reasons for the work must be included in the “Work Description” field of the application.

For all permit applications including permit requests to work on embargoed streets throughout the HE period, the permittee will be automatically charged an additional \$135 HE application review fee. The HE application review fee must be paid in advance before any permit requests within a given application can be reviewed. None of the permit requests included in the application will be available for review by OCMC staff until the HE application review fee is paid. If the HE application review fee is not paid within five (5) calendar days, the entire application will be denied automatically by the NYCSTREETS system. The HE application review fee payment does not guarantee permit request(s) approval.

Permit requests for ongoing construction (permit renewals, reissues and extensions) through the HE period, which already include HE stipulation “410” will not require payment of the HE application review fee and will be processed as usual.

Emergency permits can be submitted as usual. All emergency permit conversion applications for work during HE period will require advanced HE application review fee payment. No Emergency conversion permit request(s) will be reviewed until the HE application review fee payment is received.

All permit requests which are not subject to HE, may be submitted online, and will be processed as usual.

Please note, the deadline for submission of permit applications for work during the HE period, is **Sunday, October 31, 2021**. Starting **Monday, November 1, 2021**, online submissions of permit applications for work on embargoed streets during the HE period will be disabled.

**\* Please note that this embargo only applies to NYCDOT construction activity permits and utility access cover openings.**

\*\* A map of the affected locations is available on the NYCDOT’s website at:  
<http://gis.nyc.gov/doitt/nycitymap/template?applicationName=DOT>

Streets subject to the conditions of the Holiday Construction Embargo are as follows:

***MANHATTAN***

- The area bounded by 66<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> Streets: river to river
- The area bounded by 29<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> Streets: 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, all inclusive
- The area bounded by Canal and Houston Streets: Centre/Lafayette Street to Essex Street
- The area bounded by East/West 8<sup>th</sup> Street to Canal Street: Lafayette Street to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, all inclusive
- The area bounded by Worth/Catherine/Harrison Street to Battery Park: river to river, all inclusive
- 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue: East Houston Street to 66<sup>th</sup> Street
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue: East Houston Street to 66<sup>th</sup> Street
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue: 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 66<sup>th</sup> Street
- 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue: entire length
- 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Washington Square North to 66<sup>th</sup> Street
- 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Avenue of the Americas: entire length
- 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South/7<sup>th</sup> Avenue: West Houston Street to Central Park South
- 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Hudson Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street/Columbus Circle
- 8<sup>th</sup> Street: entire length
- 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Little West 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street
- 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Little West 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street
- 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue: West 204<sup>th</sup> Street to West 212<sup>th</sup> Street
- 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Little West 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street
- 14<sup>th</sup> Street: entire length
- 17<sup>th</sup> Street: Broadway/Union Square West to Park Avenue/Union Square East
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Street: entire length
- 72<sup>nd</sup> Street: entire length (Includes Central Park Transverse Roadway)
- 79<sup>th</sup> Street: entire length (Includes Central Park Transverse Roadway)
- 86<sup>th</sup> Street: entire length (Includes Central Park Transverse Roadway)
- 96<sup>th</sup> Street: entire length
- 97<sup>th</sup> Street Central Park Transverse Roadway: entire length
- 116<sup>th</sup> Street: FDR Drive to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- 117<sup>th</sup> Street: FDR Drive to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- 118<sup>th</sup> Street: FDR Drive to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- 119<sup>th</sup> Street: FDR Drive to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- 125<sup>th</sup> Street: entire length
- 178<sup>th</sup> Street: Fort Washington Avenue to Amsterdam Avenue
- 179<sup>th</sup> Street: Fort Washington Avenue to Amsterdam Avenue
- 181<sup>st</sup> Street: Amsterdam Ave to Cabrini Boulevard
- 207<sup>th</sup> Street: Exterior Street/207<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge to Broadway
- 225<sup>th</sup> Street: Broadway to Bronx Border
- Allen Street: Canal Street to East Houston Street
- Amsterdam Avenue: 59<sup>th</sup> Street to 72<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Astor Place: entire length
- Avenue C: East 14<sup>th</sup> Street to East 25<sup>th</sup> Street
- Bleecker Street: 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Bowery
- Bond Street: entire Length
- Bowery: entire length
- Broadway: entire length
- Broome Street: entire length
- Canal Street: entire length
- Central Park West: Columbus Circle to West 66<sup>th</sup> Street
- Centre Street: Chambers Street to Kenmare Street
- Christopher Street: entire length
- Church Street: entire length

## **MANHATTAN** (Continued)

- Cleveland Place: entire length
- Columbus Avenue: 59<sup>th</sup> Street to 72<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Cooper Square: entire length
- Delancey Street: entire length
- Dyckman Street: Broadway to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- East Broadway: Bowery/Chatham Square to Grand Street
- Gansevoort Street: Hudson Street to West Street
- Grand Street: entire length
- Greenwich Avenue: entire length
- Houston Street: entire length
- Hudson Street: Chambers Street to 14<sup>th</sup> Street
- Joe DiMaggio Highway/West Street (9A)/11<sup>th</sup> Avenue/12<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Battery Park to West 57<sup>th</sup>
- Kenmare Street: entire length
- Lafayette Street: entire length
- Lexington Ave: East 21<sup>st</sup> Street to East 86<sup>th</sup> Street
- Madison Avenue: 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to 86<sup>th</sup> Street
- North Moore Street: West Street to Hudson Street
- Park Avenue South/Park Avenue: East 17<sup>th</sup> Street to East 66<sup>th</sup> Street
- Pleasant Avenue: East 116<sup>th</sup> Street to East 119<sup>th</sup> Street
- South Street: Montgomery Street to Whitehall Street
- St. Marks Place: entire Length
- St. Nicholas Avenue: Broadway to 183<sup>rd</sup> Street
- Trinity Place: entire length
- Union Square East: entire length
- Union Square West: entire length
- University Place: East 8<sup>th</sup> Street to East 14<sup>th</sup> Street
- Varick Street: West Broadway to West Houston Street
- Vestry Street: West Street to Hudson Street
- Walker Street: West Broadway/Church Street to Canal Street
- Washington Street: Little West 12<sup>th</sup> Street to West 14<sup>th</sup> Street
- West Broadway: Vesey Street to Varick Street
- West End Avenue: 59<sup>th</sup> Street to 72<sup>nd</sup> Street
- West Street: Battery Place to Little West 12<sup>th</sup> Street
- Worth Street: entire length

## ***BRONX***

- Westchester Square Perimeter and the entire Parkchester area bounded by East Tremont Avenue, Castle Hill Road, White Plains Road and Westchester Avenue, all inclusive
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue: East 147<sup>th</sup> Street to East 153<sup>rd</sup> Street
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue: East 184<sup>th</sup> Street to East Fordham Road
- Allerton Avenue: White Plains Road to Boston Road
- Arthur Avenue: Fordham Road to 184<sup>th</sup> Street/Crescent Avenue
- Bartow Avenue: Coop City Boulevard to Ely Avenue
- Broadway: 228<sup>th</sup> Street to Van Cortlandt Park South
- Burnside Avenue: University Avenue to Grand Concourse
- East 138<sup>th</sup> Street: Cypress Avenue to Alexander Avenue
- East 149<sup>th</sup> Street: Exterior Street to Brook Avenue
- East 167 Street: Jerome Avenue to Grand Concourse
- East 170<sup>th</sup> Street: Grand Concourse to University Avenue
- East 187<sup>th</sup> Street: Crescent Avenue to Bathgate Avenue
- East 188<sup>th</sup> Street: Webster Avenue to Third Avenue
- East 189<sup>th</sup> Street: Webster Avenue to Washington Avenue
- East Fordham Road: entire length
- East Tremont Avenue: Castle Hill Avenue to Westchester Avenue
- East Tremont Avenue: 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to Southern Boulevard
- Exterior Street: East 138<sup>th</sup> Street to East 153<sup>rd</sup> Street/Major Deegan Expressway N/B Entrance
- Grand Concourse: Burnside Avenue to 192<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Gun Hill Road: Webster Avenue to Jerome Avenue
- Hoffman Street: East 184<sup>th</sup> Street to East Fordham Road
- Hughes Avenue: Crescent Avenue to East Fordham Road
- Jerome Avenue: 196<sup>th</sup> Street to Bainbridge Avenue
- Kingsbridge Road East: Jerome Avenue to East Fordham Road
- Kingsbridge Road West: Sedgwick Avenue to Jerome Avenue/Kingsbridge Road East
- Melrose Avenue: 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to 163<sup>rd</sup> Street
- Morris Park Avenue: White Plains Road to Williamsbridge Road
- Park Avenue: East 184<sup>th</sup> Street to East Fordham Road
- River Avenue: East 149<sup>th</sup> Street to East 157<sup>th</sup> Street
- Southern Boulevard: 163<sup>rd</sup> to Westchester Avenue.
- Southern Boulevard: Cramers/Del Valle Square to Westchester Avenue
- Webster Avenue: 188<sup>th</sup> Street to 193<sup>rd</sup> Street.
- West 225<sup>th</sup> Street: Broadway to Sedgwick Avenue/Kingsbridge Road West
- West 230<sup>th</sup> Street between Broadway and Major Deegan Expressway
- West Fordham Road: entire length
- Westchester Avenue: entire length
- White Plains Road: Brady Avenue to Boston Road
- Williamsbridge Road: Westchester Avenue to Eastchester Road

## ***BROOKLYN***

- Downtown Brooklyn: Area bounded by Tillary Street, Atlantic Avenue, Flatbush Avenue and Clinton Street, all inclusive
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue: 101<sup>st</sup> Street to 65<sup>th</sup> Street
- 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue: 85<sup>th</sup> Street to 87<sup>th</sup> Street
- 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Flatbush Avenue to 16<sup>th</sup> Street: 38<sup>th</sup> Street to 95<sup>th</sup> Street/4<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Union Street to Prospect Avenue
- 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue: 39<sup>th</sup> Street to 86<sup>th</sup> Street
- 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue: 60<sup>th</sup> Street to 86<sup>th</sup> Street
- 86<sup>th</sup> Street: 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to Stillwell Avenue
- 87<sup>th</sup> Street: 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Ashland Place: Hanson Place to Dekalb Avenue
- Atlantic Avenue: Furman Street to Washington Avenue
- Avenue J: Coney Island to East 16 Street
- Avenue M: Coney Island Avenue to Ocean Avenue
- Avenue U: 86<sup>th</sup> Street to Stuart Street
- Avenue U: Ryder Street to East 57<sup>th</sup> Street
- Bay Parkway: 60<sup>th</sup> Street to Shore Parkway
- Bedford Avenue: Metropolitan Avenue to North 12<sup>th</sup> Street
- Brighton Beach Avenue: Ocean Parkway to Brighton 15 Street
- Broadway: Kent Avenue to Gates Avenue
- Cadman Plaza West: entire length
- Church Avenue: Rockaway Parkway to McDonald Avenue
- Cropsy Avenue: Bay Parkway to 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Court Street: Tillary Street to Hamilton Avenue
- Flatbush Avenue: Manhattan Bridge to Belt Parkway
- Fulton Street: Boerum Place to Flatbush Avenue
- Fulton Street: Flatbush Avenue to Greene Avenue
- Fulton Street: Classon Avenue to Troy Avenue/Lewis Avenue
- Graham Avenue: Broadway to Boerum Street
- Grand Street: Bushwick Avenue to Union Avenue
- Hanson Place: Ashland Place to South Elliot Place
- Kings Highway: Bay Parkway to Ocean Avenue
- Knickerbocker Avenue: Myrtle Avenue to Jefferson Street
- Liberty Avenue: Ruby Street to North Conduit Avenue
- Livingston Street: Court Street to Flatbush Avenue
- Manhattan Avenue: Driggs Avenue to Dupont Street
- Montague Street: Court Street to Hicks Street
- Myrtle Avenue: Flatbush Avenue to Classon Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue: Halsey Street to Sheepshead Bay
- Old Fulton Street: entire length
- Pennsylvania Avenue: Linden Boulevard to Flatlands Avenue
- Pitkin Avenue: Stone Avenue to Eastern Parkway
- Rockaway Parkway: Farragut Road to Flatlands Avenue
- Sheepshead Bay Road: Avenue Z to Shore Parkway
- Smith Street: Fulton Street to Hamilton Avenue
- Union Street: 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Grand Army Plaza
- Utica Avenue: Flatbush Avenue to Atlantic Avenue
- Vanderbilt Avenue: Atlantic Avenue to Grand Army Plaza

## ***QUEENS***

- Queens Fashion Center area bounded by Queens Boulevard, 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 94<sup>th</sup> Street, 92<sup>nd</sup> Street, and 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue, all inclusive
- The area bounded by Northern Boulevard, Sanford Avenue, Prince Street and Union Street , all inclusive
- 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue: 132<sup>nd</sup> Street to Parsons Boulevard
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue: 37<sup>th</sup> Street to 29<sup>th</sup> Street
- 31<sup>st</sup> Street: 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue to Northern Boulevard
- 40<sup>th</sup> Road: Prince Street to Main Street
- 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue: 213<sup>th</sup> Street to 214<sup>th</sup> Place
- 63<sup>rd</sup> Drive: Alderton Street to Queens Boulevard
- 71<sup>st</sup> Avenue: Queens Boulevard to Burns Street
- Archer Avenue: Sutphin Boulevard to Merrick Boulevard
- Austin Street: Ascan Avenue to Yellowstone Boulevard
- Bell Boulevard: Northern Boulevard to 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Cross Bay Boulevard: Rockaway Boulevard to 165<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Ditmars Boulevard: Steinway Street to 29<sup>th</sup> Street
- Greenpoint Avenue: Queens Boulevard to 44<sup>th</sup> Street/47<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Fresh Pond Road: Myrtle Avenue to Metropolitan Avenue
- Hillside Avenue: Van Wyck Expressway to 180<sup>th</sup> Street
- Jamaica Avenue: Eldert Lane to 169<sup>th</sup> Street
- Junction Boulevard: Roosevelt Avenue to 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Liberty Avenue: 110<sup>th</sup> Street to 124<sup>th</sup> Street
- Main Street: Northern Boulevard to Union Turnpike
- Metropolitan Avenue: Flushing Avenue to Jamaica Avenue
- Myrtle Avenue: Fresh Pond Road to Wyckoff Avenue
- Northern Boulevard: entire length
- North Conduit Avenue: entire length
- Parsons Boulevard: Hillside Avenue to Archer Avenue
- Queens Boulevard: entire length
- Queens Plaza East: Jackson Avenue to Northern Boulevard
- Queens Plaza North/South: Crescent Street to Jackson Avenue
- Roosevelt Avenue: Queens Boulevard to Union Street
- South Conduit Avenue: entire length
- Steinway Street: Ditmars Boulevard to Northern Boulevard
- Sutphin Boulevard: Hillside Avenue to 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Union Turnpike: Main Street to Langdale Street
- Woodhaven Boulevard: Rockaway Boulevard to Queens Boulevard



## ***STATEN ISLAND***

- Borough Hall area bounded by Victory Boulevard, Wall Street, Richmond Terrace, St. Marks Place, all inclusive.
- Amboy Road: Richmond Avenue to Richmond Road
- Arthur Kill Road: Richmond Avenue to Richmond Hill Road/Richmond Road
- Barrett Avenue: Decker Avenue to Forest Avenue
- Bay Street: Broad Street to Saint George Ferry Terminal
- Castleton Avenue: Clove Road to North Burgher Avenue
- Clove Road: Victory Boulevard to Narrows Road South
- Crystal Avenue: Forest Avenue to Victory Boulevard
- Decker Avenue: Forest Avenue to Post Avenue
- Forest Hill Road: Richmond Avenue to Rockland Avenue
- Forest Avenue: Staten Island Expressway to Victory Boulevard
- Giffords Lane: Amboy Road to Katan Avenue
- Hylan Boulevard: Guyon Avenue to Stueben Street
- Marsh Avenue: Platinum Avenue to Richmond Hill Road
- New Dorp Lane: Richmond Road to Mill Road
- Platinum Avenue: Forest Hill Road to Richmond Hill Road
- Port Richmond Avenue: Forest Avenue to Richmond Terrace
- Richmond Avenue: Victory Boulevard to Oakdale Street
- Richmond Hill Road: Richmond Avenue to Richmond Road
- Richmond Road: West Fingerboard Road to Richmond Hill Road
- Rockland Avenue: Forest Hill Road to Richmond Road
- Seguine Avenue: Amboy Road to Florence Place
- South Avenue: Forest Avenue to West Shore Expressway
- Victory Boulevard: West Shore Expressway to Slosson Avenue
- Woolley Avenue: Victory Boulevard to Willow Brook Road

## **Citywide Highways (and their Service Roads) and East and Harlem River Bridge Crossings:**

On all holiday season gridlock alert days during the Holiday Construction Embargo period lane closures are prohibited from 6:00 AM to midnight on highways (and their service roads) and East and Harlem River Bridge Crossings listed below. (Work behind permanent barrier, not impacting on vehicular, bicycle or pedestrian traffic flow may continue).

### **The holiday season gridlock alert days are as follows:**

- **Thursday, November 18**
- **Friday, November 19**
- **Tuesday, November 23**
- **Wednesday, November 24**
- **Wednesday, December 1**
- **Thursday, December 2**
- **Friday, December 3**
- **Wednesday, December 8**
- **Thursday, December 9**
- **Wednesday, December 15**
- **Thursday, December 16**
- **Friday, December 17**
- **Wednesday, December 22**

### **List of affected highway (and their service roads) and East and Harlem River Bridge Crossings include the following:**

#### **Brooklyn:**

Belt Parkway  
Brooklyn Queens Expressway  
Gowanus Expressway  
**Jackie Robinson Parkway**  
Prospect Expressway

#### **Bronx:**

Bronx River Parkway  
Bruckner Expressway  
Cross Bronx Expressway  
Henry Hudson Parkway  
Hutchinson River Parkway  
Major Deegan Expressway  
New England Thruway  
**Throgs Neck Expressway**

#### **Manhattan:**

Joe DiMaggio Highway/West Street (9A)/11<sup>th</sup>  
Avenue/12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Miller Highway/Henry Hudson Parkway  
FDR Drive/Harlem River Drive  
Trans-Manhattan Expressway

#### **Queens:**

Belt Parkway  
Brooklyn Queens Expressway  
Cross Island Parkway  
Grand Central Parkway  
**Jackie Robinson Parkway**  
Long Island Expressway  
Van Wyck Expressway

#### **Staten Island:**

Staten Island Expressway  
West Shore Expressway

#### **East River Bridge Crossings:**

Brooklyn Bridge  
Ed Koch/Queensboro Bridge  
Manhattan Bridge  
Williamsburg Bridge

#### **Harlem River Bridge Crossings:**

145<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge  
Alexander Hamilton Bridge  
Broadway Bridge  
Macombs Dam Bridge  
Madison Avenue Bridge  
Third Avenue Bridge  
University Heights Bridge  
Willis Avenue Bridge