SR 1030 FAQ

1. The bridge pictures look horrible. How come it took so long for PennDOT to replace it?

(slide 5) An inspection team goes out every 2-5 years to evaluate the condition of the Bridge and recommend weight limit and closure if required. Currently, bridge is safe, and it also takes time to navigate historic district and environmental impacts.

2. How much money will this cost?

The construction cost for this project is approximately 1.5 million dollars.

- 3. Thank you for increasing the bridge width to accommodate two lanes and shoulders. With peds and bikes, 4 ft shoulders would be more appropriate considering the bridge will be there for 100 years (hopefully).
 - PennDOT and FHWA roadway typical based on functional classifications and traffic volume has been followed for minimum width requirements. It is the best interest to reduce the roadway footprint to minimize the impact on historic resources and the wetlands adjacent to the project. Project is in preliminary design and any further suggestions/ public need may be incorporated in the final design if they can be implemented without having significant impact on resources and the project schedules.
- 4. PennDOT needs to spend less effort on historic analysis for bridge replacements. It needs to be replaced! Stop wasting taxpayer dollars.
 - PennDOT is very cautious on wasting any taxpayer dollars, but PennDOT projects must go through the project approval process which require these efforts to demonstrate that PennDOT projects are not significantly impacting the resources and the efforts from various agencies.
- 5. How can Township Officials can be engaged in detail design to further reduce the impact on the rural setting?

 PennDOT performed Stakeholder's meeting few weeks ago including the Township Officials. Any concerns have been noted and PennDOT will be directly coordinating with the Township Officials.
- 6. West Vincent Historical Commission believes there are design details that might further reduce impacts. One is reducing the shoulders and other details might be discussed. We are a consulting party and look forward in the Section 106 meeting.
 - We look forward to meeting with you and discussing the project. We want your input in the design and how the bridge/project will look when it's completed.

- 7. We have an adjacent property owner here who has many comments. He would like to comment, voice dialog would be much better.
 - Please contact the project team after the meeting. PennDOT is happy to discuss individual concerns. The meeting tonight does not support that functionality.
- 8. Who goes to the 106 meeting you talked about? The adjacent owners were not included in that meeting. No, not to the stakeholder meeting. They should be invited to the consulting party meeting.