

# BQE Interim Repairs

## Spans 4 and 34 - Weekend Closure

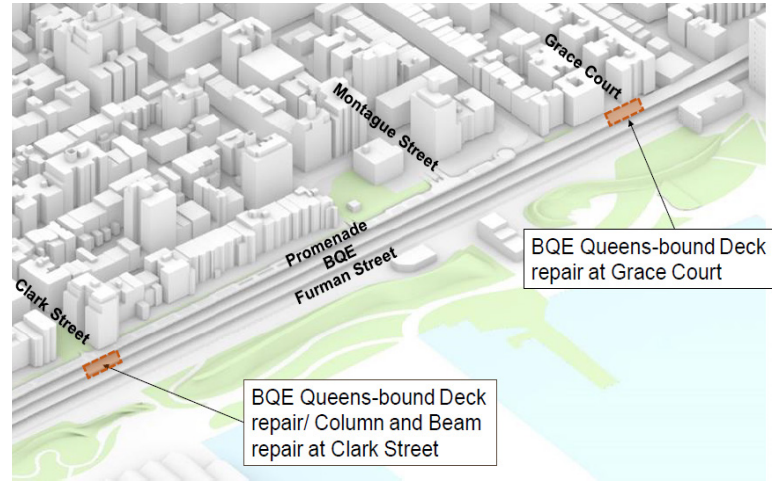
### Frequently Asked Questions



## What work is being done on the BQE?

New York City Department of Transportation (NYC DOT) will undertake critical repairs at Span 4 (Clark Street) and Span 34 (Grace Court), on the BQE from Atlantic Avenue to Sands Street to ensure the safety and continued lifespan of the triple cantilever structure as the City develops a long term repair plan for the structure. The repairs involve:

- Removing deteriorated asphalt, concrete and rebar
- Installing new rebar and concrete
- Performing concrete repairs inside the Joralemon Street Garage and the MTA Fan Plant at Clark Street



## What to expect?

- Full closure of the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway (BQE) in the Queens-bound direction (I-278 East) and a partial closure in the Staten Island-bound direction (I-278 West) for up to three non-consecutive weekends
- Preparatory work in the weeks leading up to weekend closures involves removal of the old rebar and concrete and installing temporary roadway plates

## What is the purpose of the full closure?

- The 50-hour closure will allow NYC DOT to remove the temporary roadway plates, pour new concrete and cure the concrete.

## When is the first weekend full closure of the BQE expected?

- Beginning at 2:00 AM, Saturday, October 14th, and ending on Monday, October 16th, on or before 4:00 AM
- The QB BQE will be fully closed from Atlantic Avenue to Sands Street
- The SIB BQE direction will have a partial closure with only one lane available, Vine Street/Old Fulton Street ramp will be closed.

## What are the detour routes?

### Staten Island-bound detours:

- Flushing Ave Entrance Ramp Detour – *Washington Ave/Atlantic Ave to 3rd Ave*
- Sands Street Entrance Ramp Detour – *Gold St, Flatbush Ave to 4th Ave*
- Vine Street/Old Fulton Street Entrance Ramp Detour – *Cadman Plaza/Furman St to Columbia St*

### Queens-bound detours:

- Atlantic Ave Detour – *Atlantic Ave/Boerum Place to Tillary St*
- 6th Ave and 3rd Ave Entrance Ramp Detour - *3rd Ave/Flatbush Ave to Tillary St*
- Prospect Expressway Entrance Ramp Detour – *Hamilton Ave/Hicks St to Atlantic Ave/Boerum Place/Adams St to Tillary St*

### Truck detour:

- Linden Blvd Detour – *Gowanus Expressway to Prospect Expressway/McDonald Ave to Caton Ave to Linden Blvd*



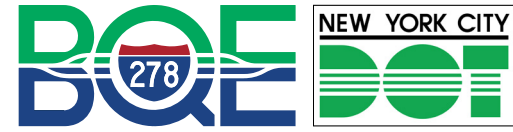
For more information and detours maps visit the website or scan the QR code:

[www.nyc.gov/bqealert](http://www.nyc.gov/bqealert)

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### How can I get around during the closure weekends?

- NYC DOT encourages travelers to avoid trips using the BQE during the closure weekends.
- NYC DOT encourages drivers to follow the suggested detours, Variable Message Signs (VMS), Traffic Enforcement Agents and Pedestrian Managers
- The inbound Gowanus HOV will remain open through the Hugh Carey Tunnel to provide an alternative to this section of the BQE.
- **Please note the Hugh Carey Tunnel toll CANNOT be waived during weekend closures.**

### Which BQE entrances will be closed or rerouted during the first weekend closure?

- QB BQE entrance ramps will close at Atlantic Ave, 6th Ave, 3rd Ave, Prospect Expressway, and Hamilton Ave; detour routes will be provided
- SIB BQE entrance ramps will close at Flushing Ave, Sands St, and Vine St/ Old Fulton; detour routes will be provided

### How will this affect bus routes?

- **Bus Stops B67 and B69 at Pearl and Sands Street will be closed.**
- **Bus Stops B61 and B63 at Columbia Street and Atlantic Avenue will be redirected to Atlantic and Henry Street and rerouted via Congress Street and Hicks Street to Atlantic Avenue.**

### Who can I reach out to with additional questions?

- To receive regular e-mail updates about this project, or if you have any questions, please contact our **Community Liaison, Anita Navalurkar, at (347) 647-0876 or [anavalurkar.consultant@dot.nyc.gov](mailto:anavalurkar.consultant@dot.nyc.gov)**. Calls placed to this number will be returned expeditiously.
- **For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311.**
- **For emergencies, please contact 911.**

