

# Uhlerstown- Frenchtown Bridge Rehab for Feb – Winter 2025

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UPDATE – PA-Bound Traffic Detour to Begin on or about February 13

<https://www.drjtbc.org/project/frenchtownbridge#1730315233513-5445567f-3510>

## Public Comment Period Responses: DRJTB’s summary on their website

The Commission provided two open houses and a two-week-long public comment period before advancing project planning to the final design stage in early July 2024.

This public involvement process generated written comments and/or questions from 62 individuals — 29 were submitted through the open houses and the remaining 33 were received electronically (email).

The majority of comments/questions concerned two topics: (1) the architectural lighting the Commission intends to install on the bridge, and (2) the width of the truss-bridge’s roadway deck.

The input prompted a variety of changes to project plans. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Warmer lighting that is more environmentally friendly.
- Shifting up-lighting to a downward orientation.
- Re-aiming direct-view luminaries downward.
- Reorienting lighting beneath the walkway, aiming it at the structural steel supports below the walkway and shielding it from upriver sightlines.
- Removal of the bridge roadway’s current guiderails and installation of new narrower truss-protecting railings. Steel curbing also will be added to mitigate vehicular sideswipes with the new railings. These design changes are expected to increase the bridge’s fender-height roadway width by 7 inches — to 17-feet, 1-inch from the current 16-feet, 6-inches.

All submissions received during the Uhlerstown-Frenchtown Bridge Rehabilitation public comment period were addressed in the “Public Comment Period Responses,” released in early November. They are posted on the project webpage here:

Government agencies submissions (including Tincum Township’s submission):

[https://www.drjtbc.org/wp-content/uploads/U-F-government\\_entities.pdf](https://www.drjtbc.org/wp-content/uploads/U-F-government_entities.pdf)

Individuals submissions:

<https://www.drjtbc.org/project/frenchtownbridge#1730315233513-5445567f-3510>

Click here for the Public Comment:

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<https://tincumtownship.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/2024-07-11-DRJTBC-Letter-from-Eleanor-Breslin.pdf>