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Lenape Island Road Bridge

**Funding awarded:
\$800,000**

Morris County successfully applied for an \$800,000 grant for this project through the NJTPA's Fiscal Year 2023 Local Capital Project Delivery Program. This project, led by the County, will investigate options for replacing or rehabilitating the Lenape Island Road Bridge over Indian Lake, also known as Lenape Trail, in Denville Township.

Project Details

This study will identify and compare options for the bridge, which is rated in poor condition. The superstructure has advanced corrosion, including holes in several girders. In addition to the physical condition, this study will address capacity, safety and operational concerns.

About the Project Area

Built in 1966, the bridge is an eight-span structure with continuous rolled steel multi-girders and a corrugated steel deck.

The bridge provides the only access to and from Lenape Island on Indian Lake, which has 30 residences. The bridge has continually needed repairs, as noted in reports from inspections in 2015, 2017 and 2019. The condition continued to worsen, and during the 2021 inspection the bridge was classified as "structurally deficient" due to its poor condition.

The Local Capital Project Delivery Program

The NJTPA's Local Capital Project Delivery Program awards grants to counties and cities to investigate all aspects of a project including environmental, right of way access, design and feasibility issues. Projects that complete this initial investigative work, called the Local Concept Development Phase, may be eligible for eventual construction with federal funds. For more information about the program, visit njtpa.org/lcpd.

