

## **East Station Avenue Bridge in Coopersburg is Open**

**Allentown, PA** – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) District 5 the East Station Avenue Bridge over a tributary to Saucon Creek in Coopersburg Borough, Lehigh County is open. A project began in May to rehabilitate the structure.

East Station Avenue connects two heavily traveled roads in the borough, and the bridge rehabilitation work allows weight restrictions to be removed from the bridge.

Since May, East Station Avenue was closed and detoured between Main Street and Route 309. During the closure the posted detour utilized Main Street, Fairmount Street and Route 309.

The East Station Avenue Bridge is a masonry arch bridge originally constructed in 1885. It is 19 feet long, 40 feet wide, and was posted with a 35-ton weight restriction. The bridge rehabilitation included concrete repairs, repointing the stone masonry, constructing a concrete wall, new drainage pipes and inlets, line painting, and other miscellaneous construction. Because of this work there is no longer a posted weight restriction. This section of East Station Avenue has an average daily traffic volume of 2,452 vehicles.

J.D. Eckman, Inc. of Atglen, Pa., is the general contractor on the project that was originally expected to be complete in October.

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