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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009



BROOKLYN BRIDGE REHABILITATION

Traffic Changes

during overnight and weekend closures

BROOKLYN -BOUND DETOUR
CONTRAFLOW OPERATION ONLY

During the rehabilitation work, drivers will always be able to reach Brooklyn via the Brooklyn Bridge. When work is in progress on the Brooklyn-bound lanes (south roadway), a "contraflow" operation will be in effect. Traffic will be detoured to the the north roadway toward Brooklyn. Signage and barriers will direct motorists to safely enter and exit the bridge.

In Manhattan:

From Lower Manhattan:
Access the bridge from Centre Street.

From the FDR Drive southbound:
Take Exit 2 onto Pearl Street.

From the FDR Drive northbound:
Take Exit 1 onto South Street or Old Slip to access the Pearl Street entrance.

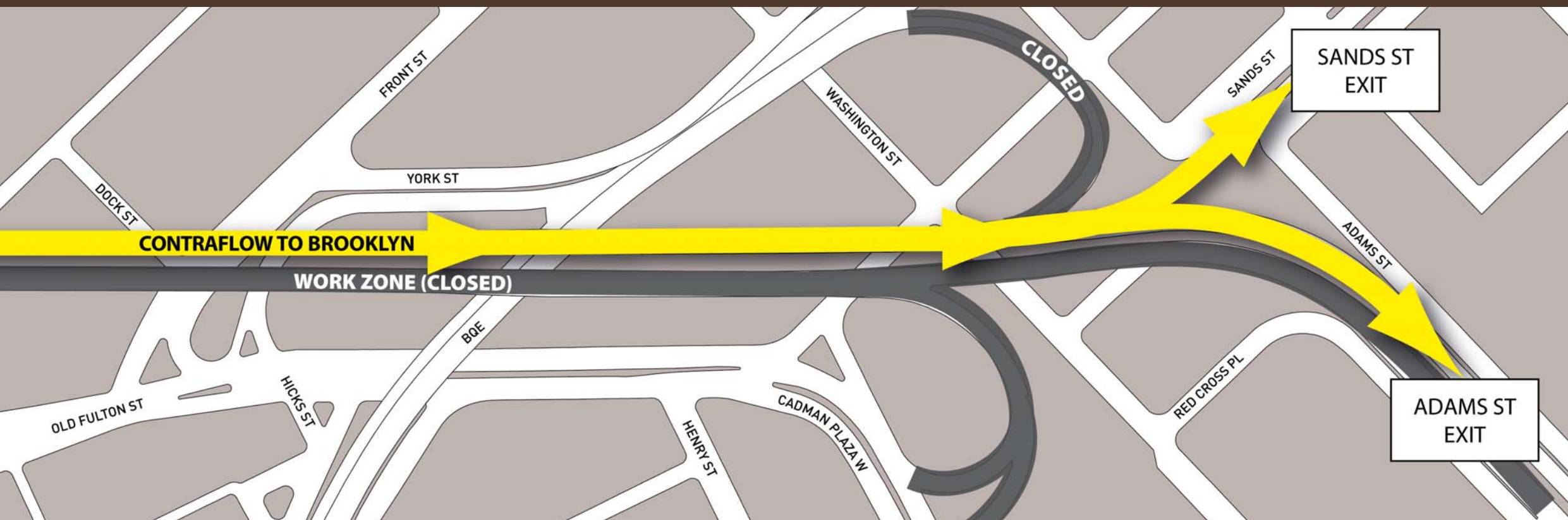
On weekends only: Park Row Entrance is also available.



In Brooklyn:

To the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway (I-278): Stay in the left lane to exit onto Sands Street.

To downtown Brooklyn: Stay in the right lane to exit onto Adams Street.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Brooklyn Bridge, a National Historic Landmark and a New York City Landmark, has been in service for over 125 years and its condition rating is now "poor". Rehabilitation of the ramps and approaches, and repainting of the structure (partially funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) began in 2010 and is scheduled to be completed in 2014.

Beginning in the Spring of 2011 and continuing until the project completion in 2014, Manhattan-bound traffic of the Brooklyn Bridge may be detoured to the Manhattan Bridge as needed to accommodate construction. This will occur only during overnight hours and on some weekends. The overnight detour hours are :



Monday nights: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Tuesday
Tuesday nights: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Wednesday
Wednesday nights: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Thursday
Thursday nights: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday
Saturday mornings: 12:01 a.m. to 7 a.m.
Sunday mornings: 12:01 a.m. to 9 a.m.
Sunday nights: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. on Monday

When full weekend closures are in effect, Manhattan-bound traffic will be diverted to other crossings beginning at 12:01 am Saturday through to 5:00 am Monday, for 53 consecutive hours. To accommodate detoured traffic, additional lanes will be available to Manhattan-bound traffic on the Manhattan Bridge during all detour hours.

When the Brooklyn-bound contraflow operation is in effect, closures will begin slightly earlier in two locations to allow the workforce to set-up the operation:

- The Brooklyn Bridge/Frankfort Street exit from the northbound FDR Drive may be closed at 10 pm Sunday to Thursday, and at 11 pm on Friday and Saturday. Brooklyn-bound drivers can access the bridge via Centre Street.
- The Brooklyn Bridge exit from the eastbound Brooklyn-Queens Expressway may be closed at 10:30 pm Sunday to Thursday, and 11:30 pm Friday and Saturday. Manhattan-bound drivers can access the bridge via Adams Street.

Please contact Sabrina Lau at brooklynbridgeoutreach@gmail.com or phone 347-647-0876 to be added to the notification network. DOT will make every effort to post specific notifications about overnight detours, construction schedules, weekend work, the Brooklyn-bound contraflow operation, and other major traffic changes at least 72 hours in advance via e-mail, Facebook, Twitter (#NYCDOTbkbridge), and Notify NYC. There will be no weekend closures during special events such as the New York Marathon, the Five Boro Bike Tour, or the Holiday Construction Embargo.

The pedestrian and cycling promenade will remain open throughout all phases of construction. However, in order to fully enclose railings and other components, the paint removal containment units will reduce the width of the path by 1.5 feet on each side. The narrowed area will be from 600 to 1000 feet long. For the safety of all bridge users, cyclists must yield to pedestrians in this restricted work zone. Cyclists may also use the nearby Manhattan Bridge bike path, which is often less congested. As work progresses the units will move across the bridge until the project is complete.

PROJECT TEAM

NYCDOT Division of Bridges:
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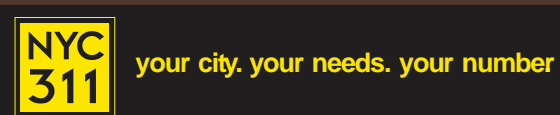
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Resident Engineering Consultant:
Greenman-Pedersen Inc.

Community Outreach:
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