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## **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **Mercier Bridge closures for weekend, preparation begins this evening**

**(Kahnawà:ke – 24, Seskehkó:wa/September 2014)** The Mohawk Council of Kahnawake (MCK) has been informed by the Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated and the Ministère des Transports du Québec that the Mercier Bridge will be reduced to one lane in each direction from Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 10pm until Monday September 29<sup>th</sup> at 5am.

The Montreal-bound Route 132 up ramp will also be closed during the work and motorists will be detoured to the service road towards Route 138 and a marked turn-around at the intersection of Blind Lady's Hill near the Kahnawake Peacekeeper Station. The work is necessary for inspection and steel structure reinforcement purposes.

Additionally, the Montreal-bound span will be reduced to one lane to allow for preparatory work and is scheduled to begin this evening (September 24<sup>th</sup>) and Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> from 9pm until 5am on each following mornings. The Montreal-bound Route 132 up ramp will also be closed during this time with the same detour as the weekend work.

Please note: the detour enters the 138 Re-surfacing Project work zone where milling and re-asphalting of the road base is taking place and lanes are reduced to one lane in each direction. However, the work is at night and traffic is expected to be minimal.

The MCK reminds the public that works/closures on the Mercier Bridge are subject to change due to weather conditions, operational constraints or work progression, and that it does not take part in the scheduling or cancellation of such works.

#### **SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDIA**

Please mention at your discretion until Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> 11:59pm

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