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Patrick M. Gallivan

Senator Gallivan Announces Opening of New Ransom Road Bridge Over NYS Thruway

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New Bridge Over I-90 Replaces Structure That Was Original to the Thruway System and More Than 70 Years Old

Senator Patrick M. Gallivan (R-C, Elma) announced the opening of the new Ransom Road bridge over the New York State Thruway (I-90) in the towns of Clarence and Lancaster. The \$4 million bridge replacement project, which started in August 2023, included several upgrades to enhance safety for motorists such as an increased vertical clearance from 14'1" to 16'5" and reconstructed approaches on both sides of the bridge. Approximately 4,000 motorists use the bridge daily.

The original Ransom Road bridge was built in 1953 and is one of 19 bridges included in the Thruway Authority's 2024 Capital Program that are scheduled to be rehabilitated or replaced.

"Maintaining a safe and efficient highway system is critically important for residents, businesses and our economy," Senator Gallivan said. "The new Ransom Road bridge will enhance safety for the thousands of drivers who cross it daily while also supporting local commerce and tourism. I thank the Thruway Authority and the governor for investing in this and other capital improvement projects in the Western New York region."

Oakgrove Construction, Inc. of Elma, NY was the contractor for the project. Work was completed on time and within budget.

Currently, there are more than \$126.1 million in capital improvement projects underway within the Thruway Authority's Buffalo Maintenance Division which runs from I-90 from Ontario County to the Pennsylvania border, as well as the Niagara Thruway (I-190) from the Thruway mainline to Niagara Falls. Over the next five years, the Thruway Authority's Capital Program is projected to invest more than \$420.1 million into the Western New York Region.