



## Department of Transportation

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October 24, 2019

The Honorable James N. Tedisco  
New York State Senate  
515 Legislative Office Building  
Albany, NY 12247

The Honorable Mary Beth Walsh  
New York State Assembly  
725 Legislative Office Building  
Albany, NY 12248

Dear Senator Tedisco and Assemblywoman Walsh:

Thank you for your recent letter pertaining to the railroad bridge over Route 914V (Glenridge Road). New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) professionals have reviewed the current signage at this location and have assessed the potential for enhancements.

To mitigate future potential impacts at this location NYSDOT forces will work to enhance the reflectivity of existing signs and will install additional signs. NYSDOT representatives also will be working with New York State Police and local law enforcement agencies to heighten enforcement.

The primary cause of trucks striking this rail bridge is attributable to motorists ignoring existing warning devices, including the use of non-commercial vehicle GPS route guidance systems. These GPS units typically only map the shortest route without accounting for weight, height, or other restrictions that may apply to larger vehicles. NYSDOT representatives encourage the use of commercial GPS systems in commercial vehicles.

Thank you for your interest in and support for the transportation system. Should you wish to discuss this issue in more detail, please contact me at 518-457-4422 or Pat Barnes, P.E., Regional Director at 518-457-3522.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marie Therese Dominguez", written over a horizontal line.

Marie Therese Dominguez  
Commissioner

cc: Pat Barnes, P.E., Regional Director