

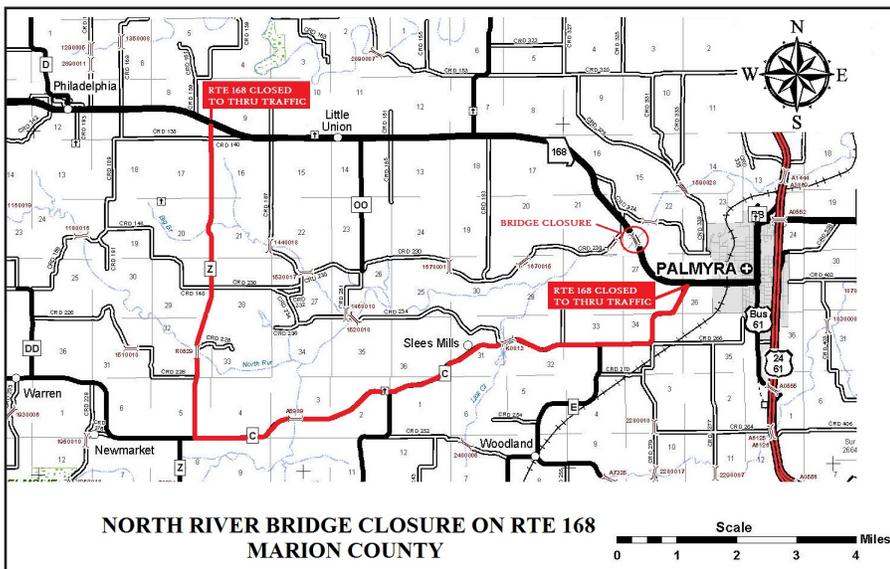
North River Bridge on Highway 168 to be Replaced



Public Meetings
June 23 & June 24, 2011

The historic bridge on Route 168 over the North River, about five miles west of Palmyra, will be replaced next summer. During construction of the new bridge, which is expected to take up to six months, the road will close, and drivers will have to follow the de-tour signs. A detour map is available below and online.

The existing bridge was built in 1932 at a cost of \$37,590. It is 530 feet long. The new bridge will not have trusses, which can be restrictive for large farm equipment and other large vehicles.



Please share any comments about this project either today, by mail or online.

The existing North River Bridge (right) will be removed and replaced with a bridge similar to the one below.



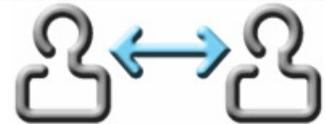
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Questions?

Call Transportation Project Manager Rick Domzalski at 573-248-2579 or toll-free during normal business hours 1-888-275-6636; email richard.domzalski@modot.mo.gov.

Displays and opportunity to comment online at www.modot.org/northeast and available in the MoDOT Northeast District office located at 1711 S.

Highway 61 in Hannibal.



**Virtual meeting
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Displays available for viewing 24/7.
Submit comments online
Comments accepted until July 15, 2011.

1-888-275-6636
PO Box 1067, Hannibal, MO 63401

TIMELINE

January 2012 - Project out for bid
February 2012 - Open bids
March 2012 - Award project to a contractor
April 2012 - Road closes/work begins
Fall 2012 - New bridge opens

**ESTIMATED COST
\$2 million**

Historic Route 168 Bridge over North River



North River Bridge No. K0073:

The Missouri Highway and Transportation Department is planning to replace North River Bridge K0073 on Route 168 west of Palmyra, Missouri. This bridge is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), and the proposed work will have an “adverse effect” on the historic structure.

Built in 1932, it consists of four steel, rigid-connected, seven-panel, Pratt through truss spans and measures 530 feet in total length. It is supported on steel-reinforced concrete abutments, wingwalls, and dumbbell piers. The roadway width is 22 feet curb-to-curb. K0073 is the longest of its kind in the state, and the only one of this type with 4 identical spans.

Mitigation of the “adverse effect” will be undertaken as stipulated in a Memorandum of Agreement signed by three State and Federal Agencies:

- Documentation: Archival photographs and historical documentation will be prepared for review and curation by the State Historic Preservation Office in Jefferson City.
- Advertisement for Adaptive Reuse: The bridge superstructure has been offered to potential recipients who must agree to move the structure, preserve the bridge and features which make it historic, and assume all legal and financial responsibilities.
- Additional Measures will be discussed in consultation with the State and Federal agencies, and other interested parties.

