



November 15, 2018

**RE: PIN 8809.14, I-84 GUIDE SIGN UPGRADE  
DUTCHESS, ORANGE & PUTNAM COUNTIES**

Dear Stakeholder:

I am pleased to inform you that the New York State Department of Transportation is undertaking a project to upgrade the existing guide signs on Interstate 84 from the Pennsylvania state line in Orange County to the Connecticut state line in Putnam County.

The purpose of the sign upgrades is to improve visibility of the guide signs, both in the daytime and nighttime. As part of the sign upgrade contract, exit numbers will be changed from the current consecutive exit numbers to mile-based exit numbers. That is, the new exit numbers will be based on the distance from the Pennsylvania state line to the interchange, rather than consecutively numbered. For example, the New York State Thruway (Interstate 87) will be designated as Exit 36 instead of Exit 7, as the I-87 interchange is 36 miles east of the Pennsylvania state line.

The exit numbers on the blue service signs will be changed to match the new interchange exit numbers.

Preparatory work, including surveying, tree trimming and sign foundation installation, has begun. Installation of the new sign panels, and removal of the old panels, is expected to begin in the spring of 2019 and is expected to be completed by the end of the 2019 construction season.

If you have any questions or concerns about the Interstate 84 sign upgrade project, please contact Mr. Michael K. Schaefer, Regional Design Engineer, at (845) 431-5848.

Sincerely,

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Regional Director