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Bryan T. Healy
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Dear Mr. Healy:

Thank you for your correspondence to the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) regarding state roadways in the village of Croton-on-Hudson in Westchester County.

It is the mission of the Department to ensure those who live, work and travel in New York State have a safe, efficient, balanced and environmentally sound transportation system. NYSDOT strives to maintain the state highway system in the best possible condition. NYSDOT Highway Maintenance Personnel routinely patrol and inspect the State highway system making note of potential issues that need to be addressed. These issues include, but are not limited to potholes, damaged guiderail, hazardous trees, graffiti, obstructions along the side of the road causing sight distance issues and damaged signs.

In response to your inquiries:

1. During routine patrols by the NYSDOT highway maintenance forces, a list of trees that need to be removed is generated and a plan of action is developed. NYSDOT utilizes specialized, in-house tree crews and private tree contractors to remove hazardous trees on a routine basis. If these crews have not identified the trees referenced in your correspondence the location will be investigated, and the trees will be added to the list as necessary.
2. As an alternative to concrete and steel pins, right of way fencing is used to delineate the State's jurisdictional boundary along the state routes. The maintenance and repair of right of way fencing will be addressed as time and resources allow. These are the same crews that perform roadside vegetation management, pothole repair, guide rail replacement, litter cleanup, etc. If the village could assist with the enforcement of the existing "No Parking Signs" and

regulate the snow removal by adjacent properties along State Route 9A beyond the edge of pavement in that area, it would minimize the damage and subsequent repairs to the right of way fencing.

3. The regional traffic signals group plans to have the walk button signage at the intersection of Maple Street and Old Post Road South addressed by the end of July. They intend to have this matter addressed by the end of July.
4. State Route 9A is scheduled to be resurfaced as part of a capital improvement project (Project ID number 8103.57, Contract number D265254). The project resurfacing limits are from Maiden Lane to Route 133 in the Town of Cortlandt, Village of Croton on Hudson, and Town and Village of Ossining. Please contact Dina Colavito, Engineer in Charge, at (914) 722-6512 or dina.colavito@dot.ny.gov for any further questions pertaining to this project.

In addition, NYSDOT recently completed an engineering scoping study for the modernization of Route 9A (Briarcliff-Peekskill Parkway). This project PIN# 8103.55 examined and documented the existing Briarcliff-Peekskill Parkway conditions and proposed a series of recommendations to modernize the facility while balancing against potential environmental and social impacts. The study examined the parkway from its intersection with Route 9, south, to the parkways overlap with the Taconic State Parkway in the Town and Village of Ossining, Village of Briarcliff Manor and Town of Mount Pleasant. This effort has concluded in a final report that was posted on the study website: www.dot.ny.gov/briarcliffpeekskillparkwayreport. The report includes a series of recommended conceptual projects to improve the parkway's safety and operations, including estimated project costs.

Although State Route 129 is not on the NYSDOT capital program, the Northern Westchester County maintenance facility has been advised of this concern to make the necessary repairs. Additionally, they will continue to monitor this roadway and conduct maintenance as needed.

5. The NYSDOT bi-annual graffiti removal contract is scheduled to be let in the fall of 2024 and awarded by mid-December. The graffiti location on Route 9 is on the list of locations to be addressed.
6. Our NYSDOT office in Albany is responsible for drafting and maintaining the municipal snow and ice agreements and any updates and adjustments for labor related increases within these contracts will be addressed in these agreements.
7. Similar to the right of way fencing along North Riverside Avenue, the maintenance and repair of right of way fencing along Route 9 near Wolf Road will be addressed as time and resources allow.

Thank you for your interest in and support for the transportation system. For further questions or concerns, please call Glenn Boucher, Regional Highway Maintenance Engineer at (845) 437-3332.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lance MacMillan", written in a cursive style.

Lance MacMillan, P.E
Regional Director

cc: Hon. Brian Pugh, Mayor
Hon. Dana Levenberg, Assemblywoman
Hon. Peter Harckham, State Senator
Frank Balbi, Village Superintendent of Public Works
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