

Caller Questions

1. **Nancy from Narragansett – Asked about the traffic signal at the intersection of Route 1 South and Route 138 West, the alignment of the lanes and the lights does not appear correct, especially with the curve approaching the intersection.**

Our Traffic engineers reviewed the intersection. Although the signals may look like they are in the wrong location for each lane due to the curve in the road, they are right where they should be. We do a lot of study before we put signals in and we are confident that these signals are properly placed.

2. **Albert from Warwick – Asked about sunken drains on Jefferson Boulevard at the Airport overpass to Honey Dew/I-95 Ramp**

We wish we could help with this problem but the City of Warwick maintains Jefferson Boulevard. We spoke to the City in July and had hoped to have a resolution to this by now. We called several times this week and will keep trying to get an answer.

3. **Charles from Coventry – Asked about RIDOT workers he sees each morning converging at the Cumberland Farms in Coventry.**

I think what you are seeing is our maintenance workers getting on their allowed coffee breaks. We've talked with our superintendents and they will be more judicious in terms of the number of vehicles they may have there at any one time.

4. **John from Coventry – Asked if RIDOT had considered replacing grass in the median strips with wildflowers. This would be pretty and would cut down on the need to mow multiple times.**

We support wildflower plantings along our roadways. We did a trial planting a few years ago on shoulder areas of Route 37. RIDOT has also included wildflowers in federal landscape contracts. Unfortunately, winter salt and timing of mowing operations can have negative effects on wildflower survival. We will continue to look at where we could put flowers in that would work keeping in mind the balance between aesthetics and maintenance responsibilities on our highways.

Emailed Questions

1. **David – Light at Route 1A and Route 152 in East Providence needs left turn signal**

Our Traffic engineers have looked at this intersection. There already is a left turn signal from Route 1A South to Route 152 East – which is the busier traffic move. In order to accommodate David's request, we would need to widen the road and add another lane. We are not planning on making any modifications at this time.

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- Email for help: help@ridot.net
- Website for help: www.ridot.net/help
- Call RIDOT for potholes, litter, debris in roadway at 222-2378
- Road kill – DEM – 222-3070 ([recently killed deer only](#)). Otherwise call RIDOT at 222-2378
- Bike Path issues: DEM – 222-3070 for East Bay and Blackstone bikeways. Otherwise, the city or town in which the path is located in the proper contact.
- National Grid [1-800-322-3223](tel:1-800-322-3223)
- RIPTA [784-9500](tel:784-9500)
- MBTA [1-800-392-6100/617-222-3200](tel:1-800-392-6100/617-222-3200)

