

RIDOT Director Peter Alviti with Gene Valicenti on WPRO – January 8, 2026

Caller Questions from December 11, 2025

- 1. Former Providence City Councilman David Salvatore: Asked that a piece of state property near the Omni Hotel on Memorial Boulevard in Providence be cleaned up**

Our Maintenance staff cleaned up this area right after the show.

- 2. Bill from Johnston: Reported Route 6 and I-295, on the way to the Central Landfill, is getting a little untidy**

Our Maintenance staff removed this trash right after the show and will continue to keep an eye on it. In the meantime, we plan to get together with Rhode Island Resource Recovery and the Rhode Island State Police to develop a strategy to better address any trash that may end up on our highways on route to the Central Landfill.

- 3. George from Warwick: Concerned with the condition of the construction zone on Route 37 East down to Post Road in Warwick**

Since George's call, we asked our project contractor to clean up the area. We added temporary construction lighting, adjusted the barrier, and restriped. Weather permitting, more striping is planned for next week.

Route 37 was originally planned as an east-west freeway that would have continued past Post Road to a bridge over the bay to Barrington. Those plans never materialized. Because the highway will never go further east than it does today, the bridge over Post Road isn't needed anymore, nor are the ramps nearby. We're going to completely rebuild that intersection over the next two years.

- 4. Rachel from North Kingstown: Asked for an update on the Devil's Foot Road Bridge in North Kingstown**

We are working to open this bridge by late winter/early spring.

Caller Questions from Previous Shows

1. Gary from Woonsocket: Called to check on the status of his claim within a construction zone at the Route 146 flyover bridge in Smithfield

Our Claims staff reached out to Gary a second time asking that he submit the required documentation. As soon as it is received, we will process it.

2. Brett from South Kingstown: Asked for help with Google maps, claiming it's instructing people to take a left off Route 1 (into his driveway) from Lab Hill Drive in South Kingstown, when it should be a right

Our Office of Asset Information Systems contacted Google maps and requested they update their directions to instruct people to take the first right from Route 1 in South Kingstown onto Lab Hill Drive and not the first left into Brett's driveway.

We checked and it appears Google maps made the change as the directions are routing to the correct roadway. If for some reason, Brett's still having issues, he can contact us again at help@ridot.net.

3. Alan from North Scituate: Asked that we consider a roundabout at Crazy Corners – the intersection of Route 102, Route 14 and Rockland Road – in Scituate

Although we are proponents of roundabouts, we only install them in areas of high congestion or crashes that a roundabout would alleviate. Neither is the case here. As such, we have not programmed a roundabout at this location.

We will, however, install additional signage at this intersection this spring to better differentiate each roadway as motorists approach.

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- **EZ-Pass Customer Service:** 1-877-743-9727

Contact Us

- Call RIDOT for potholes, litter, debris in roadway at [222-2378](tel:222-2378), and check out how you can help combat it at: www.ridot.net/cleanrhodes

- Website link to Gene's show: www.ridot.net/news
- Call weekdays from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. 222-2450 or Email for help: help@ridot.net
- Website for help: www.ridot.net/help
- Roadkill – 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 is the proper contact.
- National Grid 1-800-322-3223
- RIPTA 784-9500
- MBTA 1-800-392-6100/617-222-3200