RIDOT Director Peter Alviti with Gene Valicenti on WPRO – January 29, 2026

Caller Questions from January 22, 2026

1. **Jim from Providence: Asked that we adjust the signal timing on Elmwood Avenue at Route 10 in Providence to improve traffic flow on Route 10**

   Last Friday, our I-95 Bridges project contractor reviewed the signal and made some timing adjustments that should help to address Jim's concerns.

2. **Ross from Coventry: Wondered when the Maple Valley Road Bridge, between Town Farm Road and Route 117 (Flat River Road) in Coventry, would be done**

   The Maple Valley Road Bridge replacement project is currently in winter shutdown. The schedule was extended due to unforeseen site conditions with the bridge's foundation, requiring additional design work, and environmental restrictions. Construction will resume this spring with utility relocations and backfilling, and the bridge is expected to reopen to traffic this fall.

3. **Rich from Bristol: Requested improved signage and striping along Pleasant Valley Parkway in Providence**

   We contacted the City of Providence on Rich's behalf as Pleasant Valley Parkway is their road. They asked that Rich contact their Traffic Engineering division at nurso@providenceri.gov to further discuss his concerns.

4. **Tom from Providence: Shared concerns about signal timing issues after exiting I-95 South onto Atwells Avenue and crossing Broadway and Westminster Street in Providence**

   We also shared Tom's concerns with the City of Providence as these signals fall under their jurisdiction. This spring, they plan to begin a project to study the optimization and coordination of the traffic signals in this area along John J. Partington Way, West Franklin Street, East Franklin Street and Dave Gavitt Way. The City anticipates implementing the recommendations from the study before summer 2026.

Caller Questions from Previous Shows

1. **Dave from Warren: Wondered when Main Street in Warren going into Bristol would be repaved, claiming it's been dug up for years and is very bumpy**

   This spring, after Rhode Island Energy completes their existing gas line improvements and trench repair, we are scheduled to begin a $7.6 million resurfacing project along a one-mile segment of Main Street, from Wheaton Street to Terrace Drive. After we install new drainage, curb and sidewalks, we expect to pave in fall 2027.

2. **Mark from Portsmouth: Requested a signal timing adjustment to favor those traveling on Route 114 (West Main Road) rather than those entering and exiting to/from Cory's Lane (Portsmouth Abbey) in Portsmouth**

   Our Traffic engineers checked and do not recommend any changes. The traffic signal loop is working properly, with its timing appropriate for traffic in both directions.

3. **Paul from North Kingstown: Requested a signal timing adjustment to provide more time for those taking a left from Route 2 South by CVS and the Home Depot onto Route 102 South in North Kingstown**

   Last week, we changed the signal timing at this intersection to provide more time for those turning left off Route 2 South onto Route 102 South in North Kingstown.

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