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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Mercier Bridge - Complete Montreal-bound closure beginning midnight tonight

(Kahnawake – 1, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2013) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke would like to remind road users that the Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated has announced the complete closure of both Montreal-bound lanes of the Mercier Bridge beginning at midnight tonight until 5pm Saturday, November 2nd. There will no Montreal-bound access during this time, however both lanes towards Kahnawà:ke will remain open during this scheduled closure.

This closure is necessary to carry out repairs at the junction between the two Montreal-bound lanes making it impossible to keep either lane open while the work is carried out.

The section of the slab targeted in this repair work will eventually be completely replaced as part of the bridge's roadway rehabilitation program. In the meantime, it is important that maintenance work be carried out on a regular basis, especially as winter approaches to avoid operations taking place during that time of year.

Everything is in place to carry out the entire operation in a single day in order to limit impacts on traffic. The Montreal-bound lanes may be opened sooner than expected depending on how quickly the work progresses.

During this major closure road users are encouraged to use the Champlain, Victoria or Jacques Cartier Bridges, or the new section of Autoroute 30 to get to Montreal.

The MCK continues to remind the public that works/closures on the Mercier Bridge are subject to change due to weather conditions, operational constraints or work progression, and that it does not take part in the scheduling or cancellation of such works.

SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDIA

Please mention at your discretion until 5pm on Saturday, November 2nd.

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