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Update on Ashdown Road Bridge Construction Project *Project faces delay due to material and labor challenges*

Saratoga County, NY – Clifton Park Supervisor, Phil Barrett, who serves as Chairman of the County's Public Works committee visited the Ashdown Road bridge construction site on Monday to receive a briefing on the project's status.

Construction began in late spring and was expected to be completed in September of this year. Unfortunately, this important initiative has experienced the same challenges as public and private projects across the country. Delays in procurement of materials, labor shortages along with general supply chain issues, will precipitate a delay in completing the project. Additionally, federal regulations regarding construction near railways have posed additional challenges related to scheduling of work. The new estimated project timeline has not been finalized at this point. Information will be forthcoming as the contractor has more visibility about the availability of crucial components of the project.

"When completed, this project will bring enhanced safety to the many residents who utilize Ashdown Road," said Barrett. "The delays are disappointing, but the county is committed to this important investment and will continue to work with the engineers and contractors to ensure the project is complete and the road is reopened as quickly and as safely as possible."

Monday's briefing was provided by Creighton Manning Engineering's Resident Engineer, Steve Prescott and Construction Manager Brian Jones.

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Suggested photo outline:

Ashdown Bridge update 1 – Supervisor Barrett (center), Chairman of the Saratoga County Public Works Committee, receives project status briefing at Ashdown Road Bridge from Brian Jones (L) and Steve Prescott (R) of Creighton Manning.

Ashdown Bridge update 2 - Supervisor Barrett (left), Chairman of the Saratoga County Public Works Committee, speaks with Creighton Manning Construction Manager Brian Jones (center) and Resident Engineer Steve Prescott (right) on the status of the Ashdown Road Bridge replacement project.