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September 25, 2024

The Honorable Ralph Ekstrand
Mayor, Village of Farmingdale
361 Main Street
Farmingdale, NY 11735

Dear Mayor Ekstrand:

New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) professionals have completed an investigation regarding your concern for northbound NYS Route 109 motorists using West Street as a cut through, between the hours of 6:00 AM to 9:30 AM, to access westbound NYS Route 24 in Farmingdale. The investigation included a crash analysis, a traffic signal inspection, and field observations of the area.

Currently, there is a right pavement marking arrow, a "No Left Turn" sign, and a "Right Turn Only" sign on northbound West Street at NYS Route 24. NYSDOT does not have any documents on file authorizing this restriction nor is there an official Notice of Order on file for this restriction.

For the crash analysis, NYSDOT professionals reviewed the most current three years of crash data available from the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. The data did not reveal a pattern of crashes at the intersections of NYS Route 109 at West Street or NYS Route 24 at West Street.

Traffic volume counts showed a moderate number of vehicles traversing NYS Route 109 and NYS Route 24. Field observations did not show any issues with motorists exiting NYS Route 109 at West Street or entering NYS Route 24 at West Street.

An inspection of the NYS Route 109 traffic signal at NYS Route 24 revealed the timing was set on recall due to a broken loop detector. This loop detector has since been repaired and the traffic signal timing has been adjusted to allot additional green time for northbound NYS Route 109.

Based on the data collected and the engineering analysis, NYSDOT professionals will legalize the existing "All Traffic Right" restriction on northbound West Street at NYS Route 24 by filing the official Notice of Order. Once the Notice of Order has been properly filed, NYSDOT will upgrade the existing signs to meet the Federal Manual of Uniform Traffic Devices (FMUTCD) requirements. This restriction will make it illegal for northbound West Street motorists to turn left onto westbound NYS Route 24.

Thank you for your interest in and support for the transportation system. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me or Karyn Meyer, Director of Government Relations, at (631) 952-6632.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RBC", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Richard B. Causin, P.E.
Regional Director

cc: Karyn Meyer, Director of Government Relations