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Montco Re-Opens West Valley Green Road Bridge

Norristown, Pa (August 6, 2014) – Montgomery County officials re-opened the West Valley Green Road bridge in Whitmarsh Township on Wednesday afternoon after extensive repairs were made to the span.

The bridge over the Wissahickon Creek closed on March 6 for safety reasons. The county commissioners asked the county's Department of Assets and Infrastructure and its consulting engineers to investigate possible repair solutions to the bridge, and on July 7 the county's Division of Roads and Bridges began the significant repairs. The repairs were completed well ahead of schedule, and were accomplished using only county employees.

"We are extremely happy that we were able to find a solution that allows us to re-open this important bridge," said Commissioner Leslie Richards, who oversees county infrastructure projects. "I would like to compliment our county crews and our engineers for their work in re-opening this bridge." Richards emphasized that the repairs are not permanent and the bridge will eventually have to be rebuilt. It will be inspected every six months to ensure its safety.