

## **Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## TRAFFIC ADVISORY ALERT Multiple Sclerosis Bike Event

JAMESTOWN, R.I. – The Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority (RITBA) would like to provide the following advisory for the Newport Pell and Jamestown Verrazzano Bridges. Due to the Bike MS: Ride the Rhode 2017, held by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, there will be a partial closure of the Newport Pell and Jamestown Verrazzano Bridges on Saturday, June 10. Starting at 6 a.m., for approximately 20 minutes, the westbound lane of the Newport Pell Bridge will be closed. There will also be a brief westbound left lane closure on the Jamestown Verrazzano. More than 500 cyclists will partake to celebrate the 30th annual event which is expected to raise \$530,000. The ride, June 10-11, will take cyclists across the Newport and Jamestown Bridges on a journey along the scenic coast and through the winding country roads of Rhode Island.

For those scheduled to travel on the Newport Pell Bridge and Jamestown Verrazzano Bridges on Saturday, June 10 at 6 a.m. RITBA is asking motorists to plan commutes accordingly; expect delays and allow extra travel time.

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