



**City of East Providence
Department of Public Works**

PRESS RELEASE

Date: July 17, 2018

**From: Stephen Coutu, Director
Department of Public Works**

**Re: RUNNINS RIVER CULVERT PROJECT
WARREN AVENUE AND COUNTY STREET CLOSURE AND DETOUR**

The Runnins River Culvert Project will commence on July 30th. The City's contractor, JH Lynch, will be closing this roadway for a 30-day period to install (2) 3-foot high by 7-foot wide precast concrete box culverts to the east of the existing arch culvert under Warren Avenue/County Street at the Runnins River crossing. The project was designed by the engineering firm, Woodard & Curran. The objective of this project is to reduce the frequency and extent of flooding within the State Street neighborhood. In November 2017, the City of East Providence was awarded a matching grant from the RI Department of Environmental Management in the amount for \$544,025 through the Narragansett Bay and Watershed Restoration Bond Fund for this project. During the 30-day construction period, the roadway will be closed, requiring motorists to seek alternate routes. An approved RIDOT detour plan has been established and is shown on the attached.