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DEPARTMENT OF
TRAFFIC & PARKING

PRESS RELEASE

George Teso.
Director

An emergency alert has been given to all residents of Cambridge as well as to those who drive within the City regarding the closing of three lanes of highway at the Cambridge Street Underpass leading to and coming from the Cambridge Common.

The closing of the Boston bound Cambridge Street lanes will go into effect Sunday morning October 5 and will be in full effect on Monday October 6, 1975.

Conrad Fagone, Commissioner of Public Works and George Teso, Traffic Director issued the alert today and warned motorists that three lanes eastbound on Cambridge Street through the Underpass would be closed in order to repair water leakage at the approaches to the tunnel. Traffic will be detoured into a single lane on the westbound side in a two way traffic pattern. Both Department Heads are warning motorists to avoid this area which will have heavy congestion.

Traffic Director George Teso said that large signs will be erected on every approach to the area of the Underpass alerting motorists of the repair work. Motorists are advised to plan alternative routes. Mr. Teso added that, weather permitting, it would take at least two weeks to a month to repair each side of the Underpass and that all construction work should be finished by early December. After the eastbound section of the Underpass is repaired, work will begin on the westbound side and again traffic will be routed into a two way pattern eastbound.

George Teso
Traffic Director

October 2, 1975



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To The Honorable City Council
From George Teso, Director, Traffic and Parking
Subject News Release: Closing of Cambridge Street Underpass

Date September 29, 1975

Reference

The attached information was released today to the press.

An emergency alert has been given to all residents of Cambridge as well as to those who drive within the City regarding the closing of three lanes of highway at the Cambridge Street underpass leading to an coming from the Cambridge Common.

The closing of the Cambridge Street lanes will go into effect Sunday afternoon, October 5th, and will be in full effect on Monday, October 6, 1975.

Conrad Fagone, Commissioner of Public Works, and George Teso, Director, Traffic and Parking, issued the alert today and warned motorists that three lanes eastbound on Cambridge Street through the underpass would be closed in order to repair water leakage at the approaches to the tunnel. Traffic will be detoured into a single lane on the westbound side in a two-way traffic pattern. Both Department heads warned motorists to avoid this area which will have heavy congestion due to the repair of the draining problem at the underpass.

Director Teso said that large signs will be erected on every approach to the area of the underpass alerting motorists to the repair work. Motorists are advised to plan alternative routes.

Teso added that, weather permitting, it would take at least two weeks to a month to repair each side of the underpass and that all construction work should be finished by early December. The replacing of water stops at the underpass by sealing concrete joints is a major project and the underpass, built in the late 1960's, would then be completely waterproof. After the eastbound section of the underpass is repaired, work will begin on the westbound side and again traffic will be routed into a two-way pattern eastbound.
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relative to the closing of lanes at the
Cambridge St. underpass.

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