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NJTA to provide expanded public access to traffic cameras

WOODBIDGE, May 26, 2010 -- If you're headed to the Shore for Memorial Day Weekend and want to see how traffic is flowing before you leave the house, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority has good news for you.

The Authority has greatly expanded public access to real-time traffic images by adding the feeds from 149 traffic cameras to its Web site. The feeds offer views from 79 cameras along the New Jersey Turnpike and 70 cameras along the Garden State Parkway.

"These new camera views give our customers another valuable source of real-time traffic information to help them manage their travel decisions," said Transportation Commissioner and Turnpike Authority Chairman Jim Simpson. "It's great that we were able to have these online in time for one of the busiest travel weekends of the year and even better that our customers will be able to enjoy the benefits of the cameras far into the future."

A link to the cameras appears on the homepage of the Authority's recently redesigned Web site (www.state.nj.us/turnpike/).

The Web site offers two ways to view the cameras. The default view is a clickable map that allows customers to zoom in on a section of highway and click on a camera icon to get a live view from that location. If they prefer, customers can also pick their cameras from a list, rather than from a map, by clicking the "list view" icon at the top of the cameras page.

The Turnpike Authority was able to expand public access to the images from its traffic cameras because of a Web hosting agreement with TrafficLand Inc. The public/private partnership with TrafficLand will not cost the Turnpike Authority any money.

The cameras are just one option Turnpike Authority customers have for checking traffic conditions this holiday weekend. They can also check the home page of the Authority's Web site or dial 511 for real-time traffic alerts.