



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Lanza Announces Completion of NY Works Paving Projects WITH Over 2,000 Miles of Roads Repaired

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### **2,157 Miles of Road Repairs, Finished On Time and Within Budget Included Improvements to Staten Island's Infrastructure**

Senator Andrew Lanza today announced the completion of all highway paving projects funded through the NY Works program. The program included replacing pavement at 172 sites across New York State, including approximately 2,157 miles of state roadways, as part of \$229.9 million in contracts.

NY Works aims to improve the state's transportation infrastructure and increase safety for drivers, while cutting costs for government and creating jobs for our families. The infusion of NY Works funding helped to improve the overall health of our State's roads while supporting economic development across the New York.

With today's announcement, the entire paving component of NY Works has been completed on time and within budget less than nine months since the 2012-2013 Budget passed, which allowed funding for these projects to move forward. The number of miles of road paved is equivalent to a round trip from New York City to Orlando, Florida.

The NY Works program represented a different way of doing business for New York State, expediting projects to immediately create jobs, address critical infrastructure needs, and

achieve savings. Rather than executing 172 different contracts for 172 different segments of road, projects were consolidated into 24 regional contracts. Bundling project sites that were located closely together into a single contract was a more efficient process and enabled DOT to lower expenses and to obtain lower bids.

The paving portion of NY Works focused on improving roads that were in fair condition and bringing their condition to good. This preventive maintenance work better preserves the state's infrastructure and helps guard against the need for more costly, in-depth construction.

**STATEN ISLAND / NEW YORK CITY PROJECTS COMPLETED UNDER THE PAVING PROGRAM:**

- **Prospect Expressway (Route 27) from the Gowanus Expressway to Church Avenue in Richmond County**
- **West Shore Expressway (Route 440) from Rossville Avenue to the Staten Island Expressway in Kings County**
- **Major Deegan Expressway (Interstate 87) from the Bruckner Expressway to Fordham Road and from the Mosholu Parkway to the Bronx county line in the Bronx.**

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