



CITY OF SCRANTON

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Scranton Plans Tests of its Levee Flood Closure System

SCRANTON, PA. – As part of its overall emergency preparedness strategies, the City of Scranton will test its flood protection systems on Friday, Oct. 9, beginning at 10 a.m. and lasting until approximately 12 p.m.

Closing the emergency flood walls will cause minor traffic disruptions at each location during testing. Drivers should anticipate temporary traffic delays at the following locations Friday morning:

- Parker Street bridge between Amelia Avenue and Carter Avenue;
- Sanderson Avenue bridge between Race Street and Detty Street;
- Albright Avenue bridge between Court Street and Meylert Avenue;
- Poplar Street bridge between Sanderson Avenue and 7th Avenue; and
- Olive Street bridge between Gordon Avenue and Love Road.

The City last conducted a very successful test of its flood protection systems in May 2026. Routine testing of the levee system and flood walls help first responders in Scranton prepare for potential emergencies.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF SCRANTON: Incorporated in 1866, the City of Scranton has a population of approximately 76,000 residents and is the sixth-largest municipality in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Scranton City Hall is located at 340 N. Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503. Residents requiring services should visit www.scrantonpa.gov

ABOUT MAYOR PAIGE G. COGNETTI: Paige G. Cagnetti was sworn in as the 36th Mayor of Scranton in January 2020 and took her third Oath of Office in January 2026. Her administration is focused on public safety, fiscal discipline, driving economic growth, upgrading infrastructure, government transparency and efficiency, and improving residents' overall quality of life.