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## Troy Bridge works to commence next week

Work is slated to commence next week for the rebuilding of the Troy Bridge in Trelawny. The bridge which links several Trelawny, Manchester and St. Elizabeth communities collapsed in August 2021, during the passage of Tropical Storm Grace.

Minister without Portfolio in the Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation, Robert Morgan says that cabinet having signed off on the 231-million-dollar contract, the work is to begin. He says that the National Works Agency (NWA), recently received the contractor's Bond and Insurance and this has paved the way for the commencement of the works.

The project is expected last for 12 months and will see the demolition of the old structure, the erection of a new triple cell box culvert on piles, as well as river training activities.

Minister Morgan says that a temporary detour is also to be constructed in order to facilitate the many pedestrians who now seek to cross the Hectors River. These pedestrians include students from the nearby Troy High School.

The NWA has already handed over the project site to the contractor and the inaugural meeting held today (Thursday, May 18, 2024).

Minister Morgan says the Troy Bridge project will be among those that he will pay keen attention on behalf of Prime Minister Andrew Holness. He says the negative impact of the bridge on the children and the farmers of Southern Trelawny and North West Manchester is the main driver behind the government expenditure.

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