



To: Downriver News Herald
From: Tim McLean, City Administrator
Date: September 2, 2020
Re: Middle Gibraltar Bridge

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On September 2, 2020, the City of Gibraltar has closed the bridge on M. Gibraltar Rd. between N. Gibraltar Rd. and Bayview Dr. During annual bridge inspections, engineering consultants for the City reported that the conditions of the bridge have significantly deteriorated. Due to the hazardous conditions of the bridge, the engineering consultant has recommended that City officials close the bridge. The bridge will be closed indefinitely.

City Administrator Tim McLean stated “The safety of residents is of utmost concern. The decision to close the Middle Gibraltar Bridge was made in the interests of preserving safety.”

The bridge on M. Gibraltar Rd. is scheduled to be replaced in 2021. The City of Gibraltar will utilize grant funds from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Local Bridge Program for the replacement of that bridge.

City officials are currently working to develop a detour route. As it becomes available, more information will be posted on the City’s website at www.cityofgibraltar.net