

Fairhaven-New Bedford Bridge to close Saturday

The Fairhaven-New Bedford Bridge will be closed from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Saturday June 4th. While locals are used to infrequent bridge closures for repair or maintenance, this time it will be for the filming the movie "Finestkind" starring Academy Award winner Tommy Lee Jones as well as Ben Foster, Toby Wallace & Jenna Ortega.

The crime thriller from Oscar-winner Brian Helgeland, born in Providence and raised in New Bedford, takes place in New Bedford and follows two brothers (Foster and Wallace) who are separated at an early age. The brother's time apart had them growing up with different lifestyles on opposite sides of the tracks but they reunite after they are forced to make a deal with a Boston Crime Syndicate.

The story focuses on the trials and tribulations of the brothers, testing their fraternal bond, as well as that of their father played by Jones.

The detour will be as follows:

Traffic from the New Bedford side intending to cross the bridge will be detoured to Route 18 northbound, to I-195 eastbound, to Route 240 southbound, and then to Route 6.

The filming means that Route 6 on both sides of the bridge will be heavily trafficked as will Route 18, parts of Route 195 as well as Coggeshall Street.