

Leningradskoye Reopened

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Repairs on one of the Moscow region's busiest highways, Leningradskoye Shosse, wrapped up Monday three weeks ahead of the schedule, with two of the road's six lanes closed last summer being reopened for traffic, RIA-Novosti reported.

Traffic effectively ground to a halt after authorities initially closed four lanes in June, citing the need for urgent repairs on a bridge that carries the highway over a railroad.

Two of the lanes were reopened several days later after traffic jams ensued and Prime Minister Vladimir Putin intervened.

The bridge will require no more repairs for at least the next five years, Moscow Deputy Mayor Pyotr Biryukov said. Although the highway snakes through the Moscow region, it starts in the capital and is considered City Hall's responsibility. ✕

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