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Route 9 traffic to be restored to its original configuration at the Bridge over Waretown Creek in Ocean Township

The Route 9 Bridge project will enter its final phase of construction

(Trenton) - New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that Route 9 traffic will be restored to its original and final configuration as the Route 9 Bridge over Waretown Creek construction project in Ocean County nears completion.

Beginning at 8 p.m., Friday, October 25, until 7 a.m., Saturday, October 26, NJDOT's contractor Earle Asphalt, will remove the current crossover traffic pattern, mill and pave the bridge approaches, and restore Route 9 traffic in both directions back to its original configuration.

The traffic shift will be implemented using an alternating traffic pattern overnight with flaggers on both ends of the bridge. Upon completion, the road will be in its final configuration with one 12-foot travel lane and one 8-foot shoulder in both directions.

Subsequent daytime shoulder closures and an overnight alternating traffic pattern may be required in the upcoming months to allow for final construction that will include permanent striping, rumble strip installation, and landscaping. Project completion is expected in spring, 2020.

The \$3.1 million federally funded project replaced the bridge, located between Bryant Road and Birdsall Street in Ocean Township. The project was advanced in stages to minimize the disruption to traffic. The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors. Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic information website www.511nj.org for construction updates and real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](https://twitter.com/NJDOT_info) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

Please note, the NJDOT Communications Office has a new phone number – 609-963-1975.

