



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **Route 23 southbound ramp to I-287 southbound closed for emergency drainage repairs in Riverdale Detour expected to remain in place for several days**

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the closure and detour of the Route 23 southbound ramp to I-287 southbound for emergency drainage repairs in Riverdale.

The emergency repairs are necessary to replace a collapsed drainage pipe, which caused a sinkhole in the ramp from Route 23 southbound to I-287 southbound on Saturday afternoon, March 14. The ramp was closed immediately and crews have been working over the weekend to make repairs. Repairs will continue through the week with the ramp expected to reopen before the morning commute on Thursday, March 19. Expect congestion and delays in the area. The following detour is in place:

### **Route 23 southbound ramp to I-287 southbound detour:**

- Motorists wishing to take the ramp to I-287 southbound will be directed to continue on Route 23 southbound
- Take the next exit for I-287 northbound
- Take the first exit for Route 23 northbound
- Take the first exit for I-287 southbound

The repairs are necessary because of a collapsed drainage pipe underneath the ramp that caused a sinkhole. In addition to replacing about 80-feet of pipe, repairs are being made to damaged inlets and curbs. Once the repairs are completed, a section of the ramp will be repaved and restriped.

If work is completed early, the road will reopen sooner. 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](http://www.511nj.org) for 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](https://www.facebook.com/NJDOT).

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