



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **Route 3 paving project from Route 46 to Route 495 begins this week with overnight lane and ramp closures** **Signed detours for ramp closures will be in place throughout the week**

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the start of a paving project on Route 3 from Route 46 to Route 495 that will pass through Passaic County, Bergen and Hudson counties. To begin there will be overnight lane and ramp closures on Route 3 between Route 21 and Route 46.

### **Lane Closures**

From 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next morning beginning tonight, Monday, March 30, and continuing nightly Monday through Friday, NJDOT's contractor, Crisdel Group, Inc., is scheduled to close two out of three lanes on Route 3 westbound and two out of three lanes on Route 3 eastbound to repair joints and remove the reflective pavement markers in the roadway. At least one lane will be maintained overnight in each direction. Work will begin this week near the on ramp from Route 21 and will progress west toward Route 46.

Once work in the westbound direction is complete, construction will shift to Route 3 eastbound with two lanes being closed overnight and two lanes of Route 3 westbound closed. After this section is complete, overnight lane closures will shift to the stretch of Route 3 westbound from Route 495 to Route 17, again working in the westbound direction and then the eastbound direction. The joint repairs and removal of pavement markers is expected to take several weeks. Milling and paving is expected to begin in late spring.

### **Main Avenue Ramp Closures and detours**

On Wednesday, April 1 from 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next day, the ramps to and from Route 3 to Main Avenue will be closed and detoured. The following detours will be in place:

#### Route 3 westbound to Main Avenue detour:

- Motorists on Route 3 westbound wishing to take the Main Avenue exit will be directed to continue on Route 3 westbound
- Take the next exit for Passaic Avenue/CR 603
- Turn Right on Passaic Avenue/CR 603
- Turn Right on Allwood Road/CR 602 back to Main Avenue

Main Avenue northbound to Route 3 westbound detour:

- Motorists on Main Avenue northbound wishing to take Route 3 westbound will be directed to turn left on Allwood Road/CR 602
- Turn left onto Passaic Avenue/CR 603
- Take the ramp to Route 3 westbound

Main Avenue southbound to Route 3 westbound detour:

- Motorists on Main Avenue southbound wishing to take Route 3 westbound will be directed to turn right on Allwood Road/CR 602
- Turn left onto Passaic Avenue/CR 603
- Take the ramp to Route 3 westbound

**Passaic Avenue Ramp Closures and detours**

On Thursday, April 2 from 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next day, the ramps to and from Route 3 to Passaic Avenue will be closed and detoured. The following detours will be in place:

Route 3 westbound to Passaic Avenue detour:

- Motorists on Route 3 westbound wishing to take the Passaic Avenue exit will be directed to continue on Route 3 westbound
- Take the next exit for Bloomfield Avenue/CR 622
- Turn Right on Bloomfield Avenue/CR 622
- At the traffic circle take the first exit onto Allwood Road/CR 622 back to Passaic Avenue

Passaic Avenue northbound to Route 3 westbound detour:

- Motorists on Passaic Avenue northbound wishing to take Route 3 westbound will be directed to turn left on Allwood Road/CR 602
- At the traffic circle take the third exit onto Bloomfield Avenue/CR 622 south
- Turn left onto the ramp to Route 3 westbound

Passaic Avenue southbound to Route 3 westbound detour:

- Motorists on Passaic Avenue southbound wishing to take Route 3 westbound will be directed to continue on Passaic Avenue southbound
- Turn left onto Ward Avenue
- Turn left onto Kensington Avenue onto Route 3 eastbound
- Take Route 3 eastbound
- Take the exit for Maine Avenue
- Turn right on Main Avenue
- Take the ramp to Route 3 westbound

The \$16.6 million project will mill and pave approximately 9.5 miles of Route 3 from Route 46 to Route 495 in Clifton, Passaic County through Rutherford and East Rutherford in Bergen County, to Secaucus and North Bergen in Hudson County. The project also will repave ramps and make other roadway repairs. The entire project is expected to be complete in fall 2020.

Variable message signs are being utilized throughout the project limits to provide advance notification to motorists of all traffic pattern changes associated with the interchange improvements project. Throughout the project, NJDOT will provide information on upcoming road or ramp closures.

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](#).

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