



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **Central Avenue in Kearny to be closed and detoured in both directions Saturday as Pulaski Skyway Contract 5 advances** **Closure needed to install girders under the Skyway**

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced Central Avenue/CR659 in Kearny will be closed for the next two weekends for work under the Pulaski Skyway as the rehabilitation of the historic 88-year-old bridge advances.

Beginning 5 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, May 9, until 6 p.m., NJDOT's contractor, Ferreira and Tutor-Perini Joint Venture, is scheduled to close and detour Central Avenue/CR659 in both directions between 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Kearny to erect steel girders under the Pulaski Skyway for the replacement of the Kearny Ramp. These girders will be over Central Avenue. The closure will not effect traffic on the Skyway. Central Avenue is scheduled to be closed again next weekend to complete structural steel work under the Pulaski Skyway. The following detours will be in effect on Saturday:

### **Central Avenue northbound detour:**

- Traffic will be directed to turn left onto 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
- Turn right on Adams Street
- Turn right onto 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
- Turn left onto Central Avenue

### **Central Avenue Southbound detour:**

- Traffic will be directed to turn right onto 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
- Turn left on Adams Street
- Turn left onto 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
- Turn right onto Central Avenue

This work is part of the \$56.2 million Pulaski Skyway Contract 5, which began in April 2018 and will rehabilitate the Kearny ramps to and from the Skyway. The ramps are extensively deteriorated and require deck replacement; superstructure and substructure rehabilitation, strengthening and seismic retrofitting. Contract 5 is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2020.

### **Community Outreach**

NJDOT created a project-specific website - [www.pulaskiskyway.com](http://www.pulaskiskyway.com) - which contains a wealth of information about the Skyway and the project, and will be updated with relevant new information as work progresses. The Department is carefully coordinating the Pulaski Skyway project with other regional transportation infrastructure projects to minimize traffic congestion.

The Department has a project hotline telephone number, 973-776-7400, and email, [Pulaski.Skyway@dot.nj.gov](mailto:Pulaski.Skyway@dot.nj.gov). Anyone who has questions, concerns, or suggestions is encouraged to contact the Project Outreach Team as work progresses.

NJDOT will be using Variable Message Signs to provide advance notification to motorists of traffic pattern changes associated with the work. 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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