



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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I-78 westbound local lane closures tonight as pavement preservation project advances in Union and Essex Counties Overnight closures will continue through next week

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight lane closures on I-78 westbound local begin just past the New Jersey Turnpike through the Garden State Parkway in Union and Essex Counties as a pavement preservation project continues.

Beginning at 7 p.m. tonight, Friday, May 15, until 7 a.m. the next day, Saturday, May 16, NJDOT's contractor, D'Annunzio and Sons, Inc., is scheduled to close the left and center lanes on I-78 westbound local near New Jersey Turnpike through the Garden State Parkway in Union and Essex Counties in order to mill and pave the road. The road also will be treated with a High Performance Thin Overlay (HPTO). At least one lane will be maintained at all times.

Overnight lane closures will be required throughout next week from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. the next day to complete milling and paving on I-78 westbound local. When that work is complete, the contractor will close lanes on I-78 eastbound local to complete milling and paving on that side of the roadway.

The \$7.5 million federally-funded project will mill and pave approximately four miles of I-78 from Union Avenue in Hillside, Union County to Exit 58/New Jersey Turnpike in Newark, Essex County. The pavement project will include resurfacing of all travel lanes, turn lanes, inside and outside shoulders, acceleration and deceleration lanes and all median openings including intersections and ramps. The work will extend the functional life of the roadway and improve ride quality.

Variable Message Signs will provide advance notification to motorists of the 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 for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](https://twitter.com/NJDOT_info) and on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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