



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Bloomfield Avenue/Route 159 westbound traffic to be shifted overnight onto newly reconstructed lane in Montville **Intermittent traffic stops necessary overnight as project advances to next stage**

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced an overnight lane closure on Saturday with intermittent traffic stops on Bloomfield Avenue/Route 159 westbound at the Bridge over Passaic River, as the deck repair and pavement project advances in Montville, Morris County.

Beginning at 8 p.m., Saturday, October 10 until 7 a.m., the next day, NJDOT's contractor, Joseph M. Sanzari, is scheduled intermittently close lanes on Bloomfield Avenue/Route 159 westbound to relocate construction barrier and restripe the road. The closures are necessary to shift traffic to the newly reconstructed right lane and establish a work zone on the left side of the bridge. Once the shift is in place, work will begin on the left side of the bridge to remove and replace the existing deck. The new traffic pattern will be in place for several weeks.

The \$2.7 million state-funded Ultra High Performance Concrete (UHPC) project is part of a pilot program that is testing the effectiveness of using UHPC as a bridge deck overlay to increase deck service life, enhance structural capacity, and reduce future maintenance. While UHPC is currently being used for joint repairs and other maintenance, this is the first time UHPC is being used as a bridge deck overlay in New Jersey. This contract will perform deck and joint repairs in addition to the application and performance evaluation of the UHPC as a thin-bonded overlay on existing bridge decks.

The pilot program is being carried out in two contracts. This first contract is resurfacing the [I-295/Route 130 northbound bridge deck over Mantua Creek](#) in West Deptford, Gloucester County. This contract will resurface bridge decks on the following three structures:

- [Newark-Jersey City Turnpike/CR 508 ramp to I-280 westbound in Kearny, Hudson County](#)
- [Route 57 Over Hances Brook in Mansfield, Warren County](#)
- [Route 159 over Passaic River in Montville, Morris County](#)

Variable Message Signs are being used to provide advance notification to motorists of all 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 construction updates and real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](#) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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