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Route 46 daytime closures next week as the Bridge over the Passaic River project advances in Essex and Passaic Counties

Route 46 eastbound to be paved between Passaic Avenue and Route 23

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane and shoulder closures next week on Route 46 in both directions as the Route 46 Bridge over the Passaic River to Willowbrook Mall project advances between Fairfield, Essex County and Wayne, Passaic County.

Beginning at 7 a.m. Monday, October 19, until 3:30 p.m. the same day, and continuing daily through Friday, October 23, NJDOT's contractor, Anselmi & DeCicco, Inc., is scheduled to close the Route 46 westbound shoulder between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Route 23 for curb removal and excavation.

Beginning at 8 a.m. Monday, October 19, until 4:00 p.m. the same day, and continuing daily through Friday, October 23, the left lane on Route 46 eastbound between Route 23 and Passaic Avenue/CR 613 is scheduled to be closed for paving. At least one lane of traffic will be available at all times in each direction.

The \$40 million federally-funded Route 46 Bridge over the Passaic River to Willowbrook Mall project will replace the existing eastbound bridge and widen Route 46 in both directions from two lanes to three lanes in each direction to enhance safety and ease traffic congestion. Four new overhead sign structures will be built. The project will be completed in three stages with some construction activities being performed at night to reduce the impact to the public. The project is expected to be completed in late 2022.

Portable Variable Message Signs are being utilized to provide advance notification of traffic pattern changes associated with the work. The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors.

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