



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Route 46 daytime lane closures required this week as Passaic Avenue to Willowbrook Mall project advances

One lane will remain open during construction

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced daytime lane closures on Route 46 in both directions between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Pompton Avenue/Route 23 to prepare for the next stage of the culvert replacement work as the Route 46 at Passaic Avenue to Willowbrook Mall project advances between Fairfield, Essex County and Wayne, Passaic County.

Beginning at 6 a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, December 10 until 3:30 p.m., and continuing on Friday, December 11 between those hours, NJDOT's contractor, Anselmi & DeCicco, Inc., is scheduled to close the left lane on Route 46 westbound and the right lane on Route 46 eastbound between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Pompton Avenue/Route 23. The closures will allow pre-constructed culvert sections to be placed in the eastbound staging area in preparation for Stage 2 construction of the Route 46 eastbound Bridge over the Passaic River. One lane of traffic will be maintained in both directions at all times.

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 to the motoring public 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 real-time travel information and for NJDOT news and updates follow us on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#) or on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](#).

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