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Bloy Street Bridge over Route 22 to be closed this weekend as the bridge replacement project advances in Hillside, Union County Traffic will be shifted onto the western side of the bridge

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the weekend closure of the Bloy Street Bridge over Route 22 as the bridge replacement project advances in Hillside, Union County.

Beginning at 11 p.m., tonight, Friday, July 23, NJDOT's contractor, RenCor Inc., is scheduled to close and detour the Bloy Street Bridge over Route 22. This closure will allow the contractor to restripe the roadway and install construction barrier to prepare for a traffic shift. The following signed detours will be in place:

Bloy Street Bridge northbound detour:

- Motorists traveling north on Bloy Street wishing to cross over Route 22 will be directed to turn right onto Long Avenue
- Turn left onto Liberty Avenue
- Turn left onto Hillside Avenue
- Turn left onto Hillside Avenue at the intersection with Chestnut Avenue
- Turn right onto Bloy Street

Bloy Street Bridge southbound detour:

- Motorists traveling south on Bloy Street wishing to cross over Route 22 will be directed to proceed to turn left onto Hillside Avenue
- Turn right onto Hillside Avenue at the intersection with Chestnut Avenue
- Turn right onto Liberty Avenue
- Turn right onto Long Avenue
- Turn left onto Bloy Street

By 6 p.m. Sunday, July 25, the Bloy Street Bridge over Route 22 will reopen, with traffic shifted onto the newly-constructed western portion of the bridge. This will allow the contractor to demolish and reconstruct the eastern portion of the bridge deck, retaining walls, and abutments.

The Bloy Street Bridge over Route 22 project consists of three stages and will replace the overpass, which is in poor condition, and improve the turning movements on the Route 22 eastbound and westbound ramps to and from Bloy Street. The new bridge will meet current design and safety standards and improve the vertical under clearance over Route 22. The project also will widen the Route 22 eastbound and

westbound lanes to and from Bloy Street, as well as provide sidewalks and improve curb ramps to meet ADA standards. It is expected to be completed in the summer of 2023.

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. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) and our [Facebook page](#).

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