



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

For Immediate Release:
September 28, 2021

Contact: Jim Barry
Judith Drucker
(609) 963-1975

Route 34 overnight lane closures required as the Bridge over Edgar Felix Bikeway project nears completion in Wall Traffic to be shifted onto new roadway for final paving

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight lane closures on Route 34 in both directions as the Route 34 Bridge over Former Freehold and Jamesburg Railroad/Edgar Felix Memorial Bikeway replacement project nears completion in Wall, Monmouth County.

Beginning at 9 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, September 29 until 6 a.m. Thursday, September 30, NJDOT's contractor, Green Construction, will close a single lane of traffic on Route 34 southbound between Atlantic Avenue and Paynters Road to pave the newly constructed roadway. Paving will continue in an alternating pattern between Route 34 northbound and southbound until both lanes in both directions are paved. At least one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained. When paving is complete, traffic will be shifted into its final configuration.

Next week, paving work will continue on the shoulders in both directions. In addition, the Dynamic Message Sign will become operational, which will provide motorist information.

Final paving of the road completes construction of the \$9.7 million federally-funded Route 34 Bridge over the Former Freehold and Jamesburg Railroad, now the Edgar Felix Memorial Bikeway project. However, minor work may continue over the next few weeks. The Route 34 Bridge spans the 5.5-mile Edgar Felix Memorial Bikeway that reopened in August. A new culvert was constructed under the roadway to accommodate the bike path. The new roadway has two standard 12-foot lanes in each direction and 10-foot wide shoulders. Originally, the road had 10-foot lanes with two-foot shoulders. The roadway profile was lowered to improve sight distance for added safety.

Variable Message Signs (VMS) will provide advance notification to motorists of 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 [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

#