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Route 46 overnight lane closures this week for Garden State Parkway Bridge project in Clifton

Route 21 northbound to be closed and detoured Tuesday night

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials announced overnight lane closures on Route 46 eastbound and westbound tonight and tomorrow night, as a Garden State Parkway Bridge project advances in Clifton, Passaic County. In addition, Route 21 northbound will be closed and detoured on Tuesday night, April 5.

Monday, April 4

Beginning at 10 p.m. tonight, Monday, April 4, until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, April 5, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's contractor, IEW Construction Group, Inc., is scheduled to close one lane on the Route 46 westbound ramp coming off the Bridge over the Passiac River and then two lanes on Route 46 westbound before the bridge that carries the Garden State Parkway over Route 46 and the Passaic River. The ramp from Lexington Avenue to Route 46 westbound also will be closed tonight. The closures are necessary to restripe the roadway and shift traffic to the right.

Tuesday, April 5

Beginning at 10 p.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, April 5, until 6 a.m. Wednesday, April 6, two lanes on Route 46 eastbound are scheduled to be closed to restripe the roadway and shift traffic to the right. The ramp from the Garden State Parkway eastbound onto Route 46 eastbound will remain open.

However, Route 21 northbound will be closed and detoured before it merges with Route 46 eastbound. The following detour will be in place:

Route 21 northbound detour:

- All traffic on Route 21 northbound will be directed to take Exit 13 to Ackerman Avenue/Botany Village/Garfield
- Turn right at the traffic signal onto Ackerman Avenue
- Cross the bridge and turn left onto River Drive
- Follow River Drive to the ramp onto Route 46 eastbound or
- Take the ramp to Route 46 westbound to Route 20 northbound

The closures are necessary both nights to create a center work zone on Route 46 to remove the median barrier under the Garden State Parkway Bridge over Route 46 and the Passaic River. This traffic pattern is anticipated to remain in place for approximately three weeks.

The work is part of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's superstructure replacement and widening project of the Garden State Parkway Bridge over the Passaic River, Route 46 and River Drive. Information regarding this project is posted on the Turnpike Authority's web site at www.state.nj.us/turnpike under Weekly Traffic Advisory or Recent Press Releases.

The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors. Check NJDOT's traffic information website www.511nj.org for real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter @NewseyDOT and our Facebook page.

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