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## Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound closed and detoured tonight in Union Township Overnight closures necessary to install concrete slab

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the overnight closure and detour of the Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound tonight in Union Township, Union County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Thursday, September 29, until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, September 30, NJDOT's contractor, Black Rock Enterprises, is scheduled to close and detour the Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound. The closure is necessary to install a concrete slab over the pipe trench. The following detour will be in place:

## Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound detour:

- Motorists on Route 22 eastbound wishing to take the ramp to Route 82/Morris
   Avenue eastbound will be directed to continue on Route 22 eastbound
- Take the exit for Vauxhall Road
- Turn left onto Vauxhall Road
- Turn right onto Salem Road back to Route 82/Morris Avenue

The \$9.8 million federally-funded project will make pedestrian and safety improvements on Route 82/Morris Avenue from Caldwell Avenue to Lehigh Avenue in Union Township, Union County. Eight traffic signals along this corridor will be replaced, ADA-compliant ramps will be installed along with high-visibility crosswalks. A road diet will be implemented at the intersection of Route 82/Morris Avenue and Caldwell Avenue to include dedicated left turn lanes. Lehigh Avenue will widened at the intersection with Route 82/Morris Avenue to better accommodate turning trucks, and the median will be closed or extended in certain areas to prevent left turns. In addition, there will be lighting and drainage improvements, and the entire corridor will be repaved. The project is anticipated to be complete in the fall 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 <a href="www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <a href="www.9erseyDOT">@NewJerseyDOT</a> and our <a href="facebook page">Facebook page</a>.