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Route 30 over Beach Thorofare Bridge lane closures next week as rehabilitation project advances in Atlantic City Closures necessary to set up center work zone for next stage

(Trenton) – The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) today announced lane closures on Route 30 in both directions next week as the Route 30/Absecon Boulevard over Beach Thorofare Bridge replacement project advances in Atlantic City.

From 8 p.m. Monday, October 10 until 5 a.m. Tuesday, October 11, and again from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, October 11, NJDOT's contractor, PKF Mark III, Inc., is scheduled to close lanes on Route 30 in both directions between the traffic signal across from the self-storage facility through Gramercy Avenue. The closures are necessary to remove the median barrier and install construction barrier to create a center work zone. At least one lane will be maintained.

Beginning on Wednesday, October 12, the left lane in both directions will be closed for the project moves into Stage 2, which will repair the center of the bridge. At least two lanes will be maintained. This traffic configuration is expected to be in place until mid-May.

The work is part of a \$19.6 million project that will rehabilitate the bridge to improve its safety and reliability. Structural repairs will be made to the movable bascule span. Mechanical equipment and electrical components will be upgraded to meet current standards and improve performance, while adding redundancy. The project includes extending the sidewalk across the Venice Lagoon to Grammercy Avenue, as well as improvements to barrier and warning gates, railings, and drainage. Construction is being done in stages to minimize the disruption to vehicular and marine traffic. Work will be suspended during the peak summer season with all three lanes of traffic open in each direction. This project is expected to be completed in spring 2024.

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 <u>www.511nj.org</u> for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> or on the <u>NJDOT Facebook page</u>.

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