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Main Street/CR 577 lane closures tonight with alternating traffic as bridge project advances in Springfield Closures necessary to shift traffic to reconstruct sidewalk

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane closures on Main Street/CR 577 tonight as the bridge deck replacement over I-78 project advances in Springfield, Union County.

Beginning at 8 p.m., tonight, Wednesday, December 21, until 5 a.m., Thursday, December 22, NJDOT's contractor, Kyle Conti Construction, is scheduled to close the northbound lane on Main Street/CR 577 between Springfield Avenue and Bleeker Street with alternating traffic using the southbound lane.

By Thursday morning, one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction on the newly reconstructed west side of the bridge. This closure is necessary for the reconstruction of the sidewalk on the east side of the bridge. Pedestrian access will be maintained on the sidewalk on the west side of the bridge. This configuration is expected to be in place through the winter.

The \$8.2 million Main Street/CR 577 Bridge over I-78 project will replace the existing bridge deck, which is in poor condition. In addition to replacing the deck, the project includes the installation of new overhead sign structures on I-78 and new guiderails.

The project is being constructed in stages to minimize impact to traffic. In addition to replacing the bridge deck, the project will demolish and reconstruct the north and south abutments, relocate utility poles, and install new overhead sign structures. The project is expected to be completed by spring 2023.

Variable Message Signs are being used to provide advance notification of all traffic pattern changes associated with the bridge project. 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 @NJDOT info or on the NJDOT facebook page.